Barton, East Cowton, Kirkby Fleetham and Ravensworth CE Schools

Cornerstone Schools

Building Futures with Love

Our Christian value this half term: Thankfulness

Friday 29th September 2023

Dear Parents and carers

The children have been thoroughly enjoying their outdoor learning through PE or woodland schools this week. The quality of some of our providers in these fields are outstanding. Children are gaining skills as well as knowledge and a love of being outdoors. Thank you for supporting this by sending children in with the correct equipment and kit – it really helps to make the lessons enjoyable and fast paced.

Harvest Festivals

ESSENTIAL ITEMS

Tinned meat or fish	Cereal
Tinned vegetables and fruit	Porridge
Tinned meals (eg. chilli, stew)	UHT milk
Tinned Soup	Rice
Pie in a tin	Squash
Tinned beans	Biscuits
Tinned pasta	Custard
Packet pasta and sauce	
Packet noodles	
Jars of pasta sauce	
Jars of sandwich fillings	
Jars of jam or spreads	
Rice pudding	

In preparation for our Harvest festival services, we would like to invite you to bring in donations which we will pass on to Darlington Methodist Church Family Help and 'StoreHouse' at Richmond Influence Church. StoreHouse support the community with emergency food supplies for those who, through whatever circumstances, are not able to provide adequately for themselves or their families. We hope that you will join us in supporting this great cause in showing love for others. Here is their list of winter essential items that they are currently in need of. Please feel welcome to bring in your donations to school from next week in the run up to the school's harvest festival.

Filtering and monitoring

The new guidance from Keeping Children Safe in Education talks at length about filtering and monitoring systems that we use to keep children safe online while in school. Our IT provider (ONEIT) has robust systems in place that alert us should anybody (child or adult) try to access inappropriate content on one of our devices. This allows us to see if we have potential safeguarding issues as well as giving us an insight into what children are accessing. Please remember to check what your child is accessing at home on a regular basis and let us know if there is something you feel we should be aware of.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,
Mrs K Petch

Barton CE School

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance 97% Barton attendance this week: 94.4%

Barton - Children celebrating achievements this week:	
	Awards of the Week
Class 1:	**Star**: Sean **Christian Value**: D'arcy **Writer**: Arnie **Lunch:** Finlay
Base 2:	**Star**: Bea **Christian Value:** Dylan **Writer:** Tom H **Lunch:** Evie
Base 3:	**Star**: Poppy **Christian Value**: Alice **Writer**: Evie **Lunch:** Maci
Winners of the Dojo House Point Cup:	**Middleham**

News from Class 1

What a fabulous first 4 weeks in class 1. The children have all settled back into the routine well and have enjoyed meeting our new pre-school and reception starters. The pictures tell a great story of all the creative and exciting things we have been involved in.

Barton – Dates for your diary	
PE Sessions PM	Class 1 – Mon & Thurs, Class 3 – Tues & Thurs Children must make sure their PE kits are in
Wednesday's	9:45-10:45am Bell ringing Year 5-6
Thursday's	Afterschool Multi Sports 3:30-4:30pm Yr3-6 See letter sent
Friday's	Collective Worship 3pm – All Welcome!
Wednesday 4th October	KS2 Cross Country @ Richmond School
Friday 6th October	Harvest Festival in Church at 5pm – All Welcome!
Thursday 12th October	Open evening - 5-6.30pm
Monday 16th October	Friends AGM – 5:30pm
Monday 23rd October	Tempest School Photographs 9am

Kirkby Fleetham CE School

Kirkby Fleetham - Children celebrating achievements this week

Stars of the Week	Dojo Points	Bolton	Middleham	Richmond
Ailsa, Christopher, Esme, Rollo and Tilly	Total for week	71	57	55
	Total for year	167	166	169

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance figure 97% Kirkby Fleetham attendance this week: 90.8%

Class News

Children in class two had a fabulous art lesson this week, which began as a lovely Autumnal walk around the village foraging for natural materials that we could use to make our own paint and paintbrushes, caveman style! Using a selection of berries, coal, wood, stone, red cabbage, beetroot and petals, we ground the raw materials down with stones and sticks, combing the gloop with egg white to make our own paint. We then used feathers and dried branches to make marks on paper. Much fun was had by all!

As part of the Community Heritage Project we are involved in, children made a visit to the Glade Trust near St Mary's church this week. Very many thanks to Roger, Monique and Ran who helped the children make bird boxes which will be installed at the Great Fencote community heritage area next week. The children showed great dexterity and skill and we can't wait to see how many nests we might find in them next year! They were also shown the results of a moth trap which had attracted many different species of moth and beetle. We were amazed at spotting mites on the underside of the beetle which were hitching a ride!

Friends News

Friends would love to welcome new faces at their next general meeting in school from 3.45pm on Wednesday 4th October, followed by the AGM to re-elect the committee at 4.30pm. All are welcome!

Kirkby Fleetham – Dates for your diary

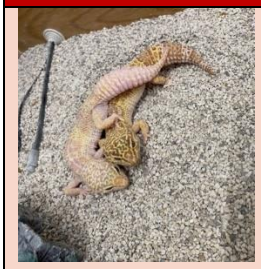
Mondays	Please bring PE kits and water bottles to school
Fridays	Collective worship 3.05pm – all are welcome
Wednesday 4th October	Friends meeting and AGM in school from 3.45pm
Monday 9th October	Open evening, 5-6.30pm
Monday 23rd October	Flu immunisations
Friday 27th October	Break up for half term

East Cowton CE School

East Cowton - Children celebrating achievements this week				
Stars of the Week	**Dojo Points**	**Bolton**	**Middleham**	**Richmond**
We will celebrate the achievements this week at next week's Parent Worship.	Points will be rolled over to next week and announced at next week's Parent Worship.			

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance figure 97% East Cowton attendance this week: 98.0%

News from the classes



In Class One this week, we have been extremely fortunate to welcome two new classmates called Fanta and Sprite. Fanta and Sprite are two male Leopard Geckos, who belong to Mrs May, but have joined our class this term as our special class mascots. The children are fascinated by them and have spent the week researching their breed, drawing pictures of them and ensuring they are well looked after.
Class two joined class one in their outdoor science lesson yesterday exploring habitats in our blue bell woods.

The children in Class 2 have been enjoying learning about Blues music with Mr Bryant. They have listened to a range of music and expressed what they could hear through sketches and sang 'The Moanin Lisa Blues' with passion! The children have been learning to play the blues scale, consisting of some new 'flat' notes. I'm looking forward to hearing them improvising in the coming weeks. Please can you remind your child to bring their instruments in on a Tuesday for our whole school brass lesson.

Please can we remind parents that uniform should be named.
With the weather becoming a bit cooler, can you please ensure that your child has a warm and waterproof coat with them.
We would like to say a huge thank you to our Friends of the School for funding our upcoming trips.
And, to our parents, when we ask for parent helpers for trips and sporting activities, you really do go above and beyond. We are very grateful for your support.

East Cowton – Dates for your diary

Wednesdays	After school club – sports with ML Sports 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Thursdays	After school club – gardening club with Mrs Godfrey 3.30pm to 4.45pm
Fridays	Parent Worship at 3.00pm - everyone is welcome
Saturday 30th September / Sunday 1st October	Benefice of The Wiske – Children's Workshop and Harvest Festival - more information on the email.
Tuesday 3rd October	Tempest School photos. Younger sibling photos from 8.30am. Year 3 and 4 children- Quick Stix hockey tournament at Northallerton School – letters sent out today.
Tuesday 10th October	Harvest Festival 2:30pm at the church.
Thursday 12th October	Northallerton School open evening 5.00pm to 7.00pm
Thursday 19th October	FOS event – Movie night at school from 3.30pm
Tuesday 24th October	Class 1 trip to Bolton Castle – letters being sent home today.

Ravensworth CE School

	Stars of the Week	Writers of the week	Other Awards	
Class 1	Benjamin & Dasha Year 1 & 2 girls	Rose & Lily-May	**Monkey**	Holly
Class 2	April	Alliona & Carter	**Kindness**	Thomas
Class 3	Oliver	Max & Jessica	**Carpenter's Cup**	Nathan

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance figure: 97% Ravensworth attendance this week: 94.9%

News from Class 3

What a busy week we've had at school. In English, we have been studying the features of non-chronological reports, ready to write our own next week about the incredible creatures that were around in the Stone Age.

In RE, we have been talking about how Christians see God, learning new vocabulary such as 'omnipotent and 'omniscient' in the process.

In science, we are learning about living things and their habitats, focussing on lifecycles. We had a wonderful lesson this week, discovering the lifecycles of bees. We used our dramatic talents to pretend to be bees and built hives on the playground using the natural resources around us. I've been so impressed by how the children have settled into class this year.

Ravensworth – Dates for your diary	
Mondays	After School Sports Club from 3.10pm to 4.15pm
Wednesdays	Art/Craft Club from 3.10pm
Fridays	KS2 Swimming lessons Collective Worship from 2.40pm - all welcome!
Wednesday 4th Oct	KS2 Cross Country at Richmond School
Thursday 5th Oct	Tempest individual school photos
Tuesday 10th Oct	Harvest Festival - 10am at Kirkby Hill Church, details to follow
Monday 16th Oct	Flu Immunisations
Friday 27th Oct	Break up for half term
Monday 6th Nov	Children return to school
Friday 17th Nov	Young Leaders event at Richmond School – details to follow
Tuesday 5th Dec	Christingle Service - 5pm
Wednesday 13th Dec	Christmas lunch – details to follow
Thursday 21st Dec	Break up for Christmas

Quick Links for Each School

BARTON
School Lunch Menu: School Lunch information

School Holidays/Term Dates: Term dates 2023-2024

The Friends of Barton School easy fundraising link: Easy Fundraising

The Friends of Barton School amazonsmile link: Amazonsmile

Wraparound care: Breakfast and Afterschool Club

Parentpay: ParentPay Login

Uniform: Uniform School Shop

Cool Milk: Cool Milk

Newsletter: 4 school newsletters link

KIRKBY FLEETHAM
School Admin email: kfadmin@eckf.dalesmat.org

School Lunch Menu: School Lunch Information

School Holidays/Term Dates: Term dates 2023-2024

The Friends of Kirkby Fleetham School easy fundraising at no cost to you: Kirkby Fleetham easy fundraising link

Wraparound care: Breakfast and Afterschool Club

Friends of the School Facebook link: Friends

ParentPay: ParentPay login

Uniform: Uniform Link

Newsletter: 4 School newsletters link

EAST COWTON
Admin email address:
ecadmin@eckf.dalesmat.org

School Lunch Menu: School Lunch Information

School Holidays/Term Dates: Term dates 2023-2024

Friends of the school link: Friends

Wraparound care: Afterschool Club

ParentPay: ParentPay Login
Please ensure that your ParentPay accounts are in credit each week – Thankyou

Uniform Order: Order direct from School trends via this link: School Trends

Newsletter: 4 school newsletters link

RAVENSWORTH
Admin email address: admin

School Lunch Menu: School Lunch Information

School Holidays/Term Dates: Term dates 2023-2024

Wraparound care: Afterschool Club

Ravensworth School Friends quick fundraising: - smile.amazon.co.uk

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/rsfarichmond/

Uniform: school/uniform/

Parent pay: click

Newsletter: 4 school newsletters link

School Facebook pages
Please help us to promote our schools by liking and sharing out Facebook pages:
https://www.facebook.com/Barton-CE-Primary-School-107161734680028
https://www.facebook.com/East-Cowton-CE-School-101930341769707
https://www.facebook.com/Kirkby-Fleetham-CE-School-102216125067240
https://www.facebook.com/Ravensworth-CE-Primary-school-100240412148195

Useful Contacts and Links for Parents

SENCO: If your child is struggling and you would like some advice, please contact their class teacher in the first instance, or you can contact Miss Crisp our SENCO on amycrispsenco@dalesmat.org

Keeping Children Safe Online
Whilst children are spending so much time online, we need to make sure we keep them as safe as possible. If you would like some advice on this, please see guidance for parents below: https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/ https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents
If you are worried about the safety of a child or want to know more about how to keep your own child safe:*NYSCP* *(North Yorkshire safeguarding children partnership)*NSPCC *Parents Protect* Parent Zone

Free School meals
If your circumstances have changed and you think you may be eligible for free school meals, please contact the school office or follow this link: Apply for Free School Meals

North Yorkshire local assistance fund
The fund has been established from 1 April 2013 to help families under exceptional pressure to stay together. Awards will be goods in kind, not cash, and will not have to be repaid. warmandwell.org.uk/ For assistance with fuel and heating bills

County Music service
Is your child interested in playing a musical instrument? North Yorkshire County Music Service offer a wide variety of lessons for pupils. For more information on the type of lessons available and costs, please visit www.northyorkshiremusichub.co.uk to register your interest.

Sports links:
North Yorkshire Club Finder
A great way for schools to 'signpost' their pupils (parents/guardians) to their local clubs. The link can be found here - North Yorkshire Sport - Activity Finder