Barton, East Cowton, Kirkby Fleetham and Ravensworth CE Schools

Cornerstone Schools

Building Futures with Love

Our Christian value this half term: Thankfulness

Friday 20th October 2023

Dear Parents and carers

Vision day

This week and last Mrs Hume, our deputy headteacher, has worked across all four schools delivering our Vision Day. The theme this year was our wider themes that are woven through our curriculum to ensure that we are developing the whole child and not simply focussed on the academic. Our themes are: opening up horizons, challenging comfortable complacency, developing the whole child and challenging things learned. Obviously, the children were given a more child friendly version of this. The children worked on activities to help them understand our themes and how they are linked to our vision of 'Building futures with love'. The children have all thoroughly enjoyed the activities and Mrs Hume has loved getting to know the children in each school.

Church visits

All of our Key Stage 2 children have been into church over the last few weeks as part of their RE lessons or even to try some bell ringing. Being in a church and soaking up the history and spirituality of the buildings is always a powerful experience which the children gain so much from. Many thanks to our local communities and vicars for supporting us with this. I'm sure our parents have enjoyed seeing the pictures on seesaw or taking part in the services.

School Friends

We owe a huge debt of gratitude to our four school friends groups. All of these volunteers work tirelessly to raise money for the children. This term all schools have enjoyed events organised by this committed group: movie nights, discos, litter pics and gourmet cooking demonstrations! Many of the children have either enjoyed a fun event or benefitted from the money raised being ploughed straight back into school to benefit the children. We really cannot thank you all enough. You so often come to our rescue when we need you the most.

Have a lovely weekend.
Kind regards,

Mrs K Petch

Barton CE School

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance: 97% Barton attendance this week: 93.1%

Awards this week				
	Star	**Christian Value**	**Writer**	**Lunch**
Class 1	**Lucy**	**Sean**	**D'arcy**	**Harris**
Base 2	**Bea**	**Riley F**	**Tom**	**Max**
Base 3	**Thomas**	**Evie**	**Finley**	**Poppy**
Winners of Dojo House Point Cup:		**Richmond**		

News from Class 1

On Thursday, Class 1 went to Bolton Castle to learn more about what life in a castle was like in the 1500s when Mary Queen of Scots lived there. We had a tour of the castle that included Mary Queen of Scots' bedroom, the Great Hall, the kitchen and the dungeon. We had weapon training that included spear warfare and archery and were able to try on a range of helmets and chain mail. We also learned how to dance like Lords and Ladies in the Great Hall. Don't forget to have a look on Seesaw to see all the photos and videos.

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
Monday's PM	Class 3 Drumming
Wednesday's	9:45-10:45am Bell ringing Year 5-6
Thursday's	Afterschool Multi Sports 3:30-4:30pm Yr3-6
Friday's	Collective Worship 3pm – All Welcome!
Friday 27th October	Break up for Half Term -Friend's Spooky Disco 5:30-7pm
Monday 6th November	School opens
Thursday 9th November	Friend's Bags2School Collection 9am
Thursday 9th November	Parents Evening
Saturday 2nd December	Friends Christmas Bonanza in the village hall 9:30-1:30pm
Wednesday 6th December	Friends Santa Fun Run 1:30pm
Friday 8th December	Christingle in Church 2:30pm
Thursday 14th December	Christmas Lunch & KS1 Nativity 2:30pm

Kirkby Fleetham CE School

Kirkby Fleetham - Children celebrating achievements this week

Stars of the Week	Dojo Points	Bolton	Middleham	Richmond
Aidan, Beau, Fin, Freya and Rollo	Total for week	53	43	54
	Total for year	320	285	318

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance figure 97% Kirkby Fleetham attendance this week: 86.2%

Harvest

The children presented a beautiful harvest service this week at St Mary's Church. What was particularly special this year was having our youngest children paired up with the older ones, demonstrating such a lovely sense of care and friendship. The children explored the issues associated with air miles, through tracking the journey of a flying pizza. All children sang beautifully as ever, and it was fabulous to have the lively Rev Jenni Lane and curate Stacey dancing down the aisle as we collected the fabulous donations of food for the food bank in Richmond! Thank you so much to everyone for coming to support us.

In Class 1 we have continued exploring pumpkins—this week we finally got to taste pumpkin when we made Pumpkin Soup! It was met with mixed reviews, but everyone had a brave taste. On Monday in our Science lesson we went for a walk to see the signs of Autumn. We saw leaves all over the ground, some trees starting to change colour and we noticed that the weather is definitely getting cooler. Next week we will think more about how the weather is changing and how that affects plants and animals. Our Nursery Rhyme this week was the Incy Wincy Spider—I hope you are not too scared when your child brings home their spider art project!

Kirkby Fleetham – Dates for your diary

Mondays	Please bring PE kits and water bottles to school
Fridays	Collective worship 3.05pm – all are welcome
Monday 23rd October	Flu immunisations
Friday 27th October	Break up for half term
Wednesday 8th November	Parents evening
Tuesday 28th November	Tempest photography for individual photographs
Thursday 7th December	Year 5 science workshop at Richmond School
Monday 11th December	Gingerbread event run by the Friends
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas lunch
Thursday 14th December	School nativity
Tuesday 19th December	Christingle service at KF Church 5pm
Thursday 21st December	Break up for Christmas
Tuesday 9th January	Return to school

East Cowton CE School

East Cowton - Children celebrating achievements this week

Class 1 star of the week - Minnie
Class 2 star of the week - Lucy
Listening Cup - Maddie
Achievement Sheild – Charlie

Dojo Points	Bolton	Middleham	Richmond
Weekly Total	99	107	85
Class top scorer	Class 1: Isabelle for Middleham with 15 Class 2: Ted for Bolton with 17		

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance figure 97% East Cowton attendance this week: 98.2%

News from the classes

We welcomed Reverand David into Class One this week and enjoyed learning more about the Lord's prayer. He even gave us a colouring sheet to take home so that parents can share and learn it too!
We worked in teams in PE to create a gymnastics floor sequence. We took our inspiration from some of the amazing athletes on TV, performing at the World Gymnastics Championships. We created a sequence of four elements: narrow, wide, curled and big movements. We also concentrated on light footwork and pointed fingers and toes. Our champions in this session were Dan, Gracie and Tobias – dojos all round.

Laura from Richmond fire service visited us today, to teach about fire and road safety. She showed the children some thought provoking videos, that made us think carefully about the clothing we wear whilst out in the dark. We also know that unsupervised candles in pumpkins can get hot and be risky- maybe it's best to use battery operated candles! Biking in the dark, Halloween and bonfire night are all great events, but to have fun, we need to think carefully about how we can keep ourselves safe.

Messy Chruch is coming to East Cowton Primary School on Monday 20th November It's church, but not as you know it. Every month thousands of people of all ages come together to discover Jesus, including those who've never been to church before. In over 30 countries around the world, we eat, play and worship together. Expect activities, songs and prayers and an entirely new way to express your faith.

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
Tuesday 24th October	Class 1 trip to Bolton Castle – children out all day.
Friday 27th October	Break up for half term, back to school Monday 6th November
Sunday 5th November	FOS event – Fireworks Night, please see FOS noticeboard for more information
Tue 7th & Wed 8th November	Parents Evening – emails with your times have been sent
Wednesday 8th November	FOS AGM 7.00pm at The Beeswing
Monday 20th November	Messy Church in the school hall – 3.30pm to 4.30pm - children and parents' welcome.
Thursday 23rd November	Class 2 trip to Life Science Centre – more information available soon
Friday 24th November	FOS event – wreath making at The Beeswing, please see the FOS noticeboard for more information
Wednesday 6th December	Flu nasal spray – all children
Tuesday 19th December	Christingle at the Church at 2.00pm - everyone is welcome
Thursday 21st December	Break up for Christmas holidays, back to school Tuesday 9th January

Ravensworth CE School

	Stars of the Week	Writers of the week	Other Awards	
Class 1	Rose & Jessica F	Louie, Lily-May & William	**Monkey**	George
Class 2	Ellie & Harvey	April & Carter	**Kindness**	Thomas
Class 3	Amber	Phoebe & Holly	**Carpenter's Cup**	Sophie

National attendance figure: 94.7% Target attendance figure: 97% Ravensworth attendance this week: 93.7%

News from Class 3

We've had a super few weeks in Class 3, spending lots of time in the wider community, such as at cross country competitions and, just recently, visiting St Mary's Church in Richmond. We initially visited the church to look at its architecture and how some of its features would encourage Christians to think about the holiness, love and power of God. Reverend Paul was so impressed with us that he invited us back for a second time; this time to go up to the bell tower and have a go at ringing the bells. The children have learned so much from these visits and we hope to be able to go back again soon.

In class, we have finished writing our emotions poems ready to enter the Young Writers competition. The standard of Class 3's poems is superb – they have really considered their vocabulary and used brilliant poetic devices. Fingers crossed!

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!
Friday 27th Oct	Break up for half term, children return to school on **Monday 6th November 2023**
Tuesday 7th Nov	Parents Evening – 3.30pm to 6.30pm
Wednesday 8th Nov	Yr 3/4 and 5/6 Hockey Event at Richmond School – details to follow
Friday 17th Nov	Young Leaders event at Richmond School – details to follow
Tuesday 5th Dec	Christingle Service - 5pm
Tuesday 12th Dec	KS1 Christmas Nativity – details to follow
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