



# Newsletter

Federation of East Cowton CE  
And Kirkby Fleetham CE  
Primary Schools  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016

"A safe, caring, fun, stimulating and challenging learning environment!"

Dear parents and carers,

The children have been having a fantastic time in East Barnby. We had a rather wet and muddy start but have been involved in some exciting adventures such as den building and canoeing across Scaling Dam reservoir. We also discovered 26 different species of marine life during our sea shore exploration. Despite the fact that it has been very wet and very muddy, we have developed some valuable teamwork and leadership skills.



Extremes of weather, but smiling faces!

## Clean for the Queen at Kirkby Fleetham

Despite the cold and the rain, the children worked extremely hard on Friday at the forest picking up litter in honour of the Queen's 90th birthday. It was quite astounding how much rubbish was collected. Well done everyone for their hard work!

Look out for an article about our work in the Darlington and Stockton Times this weekend.



## Shakespeare week

The children in Key Stage 1 and 2 from both schools will be joining together at Kirkby Fleetham on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March to celebrate Shakespeare week, which introduces primary aged children to Shakespeare's life, works and times in a fun and engaging way. The 'Shakespeare in the Forest' morning will also form part of their forest schools activities.

**Sport relief** We have some a number of fun activities arranged for next Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March. The children in Kirkby Fleetham will be taking part in a biathlon, where they will carry out a run before they swim. East Cowton will be having an afternoon run. Wristbands will be on sale at both schools, on a purely first come, first served basis.

## Meet the Teacher: Miss Richardson

Miss Richardson joined East Cowton school in September 2015 and teaches the key stage 1. Miss Richardson is Science subject leader for the federation. In her spare time she enjoys days out walking and riding her bicycle with her son, Alfie. When she can find time she also enjoys reading!



### East Cowton Weekly Awards:

**Brilliant Bears:** Oliver Leggott for great work at counting money

**Beautiful Butterflies:** Max James for being a super mathematician

**Excellent Elephants:** Ellie Haymer for applying herself and not giving up

**Listening Cup:** Charlie Ashworth

**Achievement Shield:** Nate Raw

**Caring Bear:** Ethan Ingram

**Writers of the week:** Korben Treanor and Sebastian Thompson

### **House Points News**

<b>Ryedale</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>Ethan</b>
<b>Nidderdale</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>William F and Daniel</b>
<b>Wensleydale</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>Max</b>
<b>Swaledale</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>Charlotte B</b>

**Space Mission** Well done Josh for moving to a new planet

### East Cowton News

**Salvation Army donations** We have received thanks from the Salvation Army for the donations given through the school clothing bank. During December 2014 and January 2016 a total of 293 kilos of clothing and footwear was donated, raising £58.60.

**Road Safety Officers** Evie, Jack and Daniel led collective worship on Monday to remind children of the importance of being safe on the road, crossing the road and bike safety. They have distributed a competition for all children; the closing day for entries is Monday.

**Parent Information Evening** takes place on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March. Letters have gone home; please remember to complete and return your slip to book a time with your child's class teacher.

**Messy Church** this week focussed on Easter, with interviews with those present at that time.

### East Cowton Diary Dates

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Mar Parents evening

Fri 18 March Sport relief

Mon 21 Mar R/Y6 Height / weight measurement

Thurs 24 Mar Easter Service / Last day of term

Monday 11 April - TRAINING DAY

Tues 12 Apr NSPCC Assembly

Tues 19 Apr Y5/6 NSPCC Childline Workshop

Fri 22 Apr Swimming (1/5)

Fri 29 Apr Swimming (2/5)

Fri 6 May Swimming (3/5)

WB 9th May Y6 SATs week

Fri 13 May Swimming (4/5)

Fri 20 May Swimming (5/5)

### Kirkby Fleetham Weekly Awards:

**Stars of the week:** William Stace for his ideas in writing, Mylo Wimmer for his positive attitude, Frankie Faulks for her performance poetry and Nel Hume for her creativity.

### **House Point News**

**Rievaulx 16 points last week, 385 this year**

**Byland 19 points last week, 400 this year**

**Jervaulx 24 points last week, 403 this year**

### **Space Mission**

Well done to Oscar Holme Pearce for completing the astronaut section!

### Kirkby Fleetham News

**Out of School Club** Would parents ensure that their children are booked in for out of school club sessions in advance as staffing and resources are provided on demand. Booking in forms are sent out every fortnight with the newsletter. Please also let Miss Follon know as soon as possible if your child is booked in for a session and will not be attending. If you need your child to attend at short notice please contact school as soon as possible.

**Quiz Club** Well done to Thomas Landells, Darcy Harper, William Stace and Owen Verity, who came 3rd in the Quiz Club Area Heat on Monday. They competed with eight other teams and lead the way for the first part of the quiz. There were some difficult 100 point questions but they coped well and voted tactically. Thank you as well to parents who transported and supported the team.

**Mother's Day Lunch** It was lovely to have so many visitors with us last week for our Mother's Day lunch. Our thanks go to Tracey, our cook who as ever produced a delicious meal and also to all the Mums who were able to join us.

**Parents' Information Evening** Letters have gone home tonight; please remember to complete and return your slip to book a time with your child's class teacher.

### Kirkby Fleetham Diary dates

Fri 18 March Sport relief

Thur 24 Mar Easter Service at St Mary's Church at 10.30

Thur 24 Mar Last day of term

Mon 11 April - TRAINING DAY

Mon 2 May School closed for Bank Holiday

WB 9<sup>th</sup> May Y6 SATs week

Wed 25<sup>th</sup> May Introduction to Sikhism workshop - KS1/KS2

Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May training day

Wed 15<sup>th</sup> June Group photographer in school

Wed 29<sup>th</sup> June Y6 Leavers service Ripon Cathedral

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> July SFX Induction day