



Newsletter

Federation of East Cowton CE
And Kirkby Fleetham CE
Primary Schools
Friday 18th March 2016

"A place where the beliefs and practices of the Christian faith underpin the social, moral, spiritual, cultural and physical well-being of every individual!"

Dear Parents and Carers,

As always the children have been very busy in school, this week learning all about the life and works of William Shakespeare. It has been a treat for me to walk around our schools and find year one children working on Macbeth, year three children experimenting with Shakespearian language, and older children enthusiastically reciting Romeo and Juliet.

Today has been sports relief day. In total we have raised £102.05 for the charity. The children at **Kirkby Fleetham** ran a mile this morning and then either swam or played golf to complete their sporting challenge.

The **East Cowton** children ran a mile this afternoon, supported by Mrs Hodgson and played some outdoor games. Well done to Rowan Kirk, Will Hume, Emma Patchett and Tom Beighton at Kirkby Fleetham for their impressive performances. And at East Cowton everyone put in so much effort, that there are too many names to include!

Well done to Jack Leggott whose collection for the food bank closed today; another random act of kindness inspired by Archie Bishop!



Easter Services:

Kirkby Fleetham - Next Thursday Morning the children will be walking up to the church for their Easter Service which commences at 10.30am. This years' service has been planned entirely by the children (with a little help from Mrs Bradshaw) so please do come along and support them. Please may we ask that Parents drive up Greengate Lane so that children can walk safely on Kirkby Lane.

East Cowton - The children will be walking from school to All Saints' Church for the Easter Service at 2pm. Parents/carers may meet us at the church for the service. After the service, parents/carers are welcome to join us in the school hall, where refreshments will be served.

Shakespeare in the Forest

As a culmination to their Shakespeare work, the children from Class 2 and 3 at East Cowton will be travelling to Kirkby Fleetham next Wednesday for a federation morning of 'Shakespeare in the Forest'. All Y1-Y6 children will spend the morning up at the woodland area, performing Shakespeare and carrying out forest schools activities. Children from both schools will need to come to school in forest schools clothes; wellies or sturdy shoes, old trousers and gloves to protect the hands as well as keep them warm. A waterproof coat is an essential item as we will go ahead whatever the weather, plus waterproof trousers if available. Children will return to their own schools for lunch. Kirkby Fleetham children will need to bring their school uniform to change into, East Cowton children will need their PE Kits for the afternoon.

Meet The teacher: Mrs Wyatt

Mrs Wyatt is the EYFS teacher at Kirkby Fleetham School. She is also the Kirkby Fleetham SENCO, is forest schools trained and has an overview of the computing curriculum. She is also on the governing body. She is lucky enough to teach children from both our schools on a Wednesday afternoon. In her spare time she enjoys walking, cycling and sailing and spending time with her family.



East Cowton Weekly Awards:

Brilliant Bears: Daniel Harding for working really hard with his addition number work

Beautiful Butterflies: Charles Bendelow for trying extra hard with his handwriting

Excellent Elephants: Charlotte Bainbridge for aiming high in everything she does

Listening Cup: Archie Gent

Achievement Shield: Lily Reed

Caring Bear: Ruby Helliard

Writers of the week: Lily Reed

House Points News

Ryedale 625 Ryedale

Nidderdale 581 Tate

Wensleydale 701 Jack B

Swaledale 713 Emma

Space Mission Congratulations Charlotte I, Archie, William R, Max and Charlotte W for progressing to the next level.

East Cowton News

Road Safety competition winners well done to the children who won road safety prizes:

Brilliant Bears - Tate, Daisy, Isabella, Daniel, Ruby and Jack B

Beautiful Butterflies - Charlotte W, Colette, William R and Sophie

Excellent Elephants - Josh, Willoughy and Emma.

Eggciting Competition The children will all have the opportunity to decorate an egg (eggs will be provided) on Tuesday morning in school. The children have already designed their eggs and discussed in the school resources available to them; they may require a few additional items from home. The making of the whole design needs to be completed in school. We look forward to announcing the winners at our **Easter Service**.

Keep Fit - There will be no keep fit with Kath next Thursday

East Cowton Diary Dates

Mon 21 Mar R/Y6 Height / weight measurement

Wed 23 Mar Shakespeare in the Forest KS1/2

Thurs 24 Mar Easter Service / Last day of term

Mon 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)

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

Kirkby Fleetham Weekly Awards:

Stars of the week: Leo Kettlewell for his fantastic teamwork at East Cowton and Jack Burton for his wonderful artwork.

House Point News

Rievaulx 19 points last week, 404 this year

Jervaulx 57 points last week, 460 this year

Byland 34 points last week, 434 this year

Head teacher Award

Jack Sturdy and Jack Burton

Kirkby Fleetham News

As you are aware, Miss Follon will be commencing her maternity leave from next Thursday. Miss Follon makes a huge contribution to the smooth running of our school and wrap around care and we will miss her enormously, but we will be thinking of her and wish her all the very best.

We are delighted that Mrs Morgan our school cook has agreed to take on the breakfast club role until Miss Follon returns. Mrs Morgan will also be helping with after school club which will be run by Mrs Harper. We have appointed a new teaching assistant, Mrs Smith, to fill Miss Follon's classroom role. We look forward to welcoming them both to their new roles.

Maunder Thursday Lunch

There will be a change to the menu next Thursday lunchtime as we will be having a small Easter celebration and party lunch for Miss Follon's last day.

Water bottles

Please could all children ensure that they have a water bottle in school every day.

Kirkby Fleetham Diary dates

Wed 23 Mar Shakespeare in the Forest KS1/2

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

Thur 24 Mar Last day of term 3.30 finish

Mon 11 April - TRAINING DAY

Mon 2 May School closed for Bank Holiday

WB 9th May Y6 SATs week

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

Fri 27th May training day

Wed 15th June Group photographer in school

Wed 29th June Y6 Leavers service Ripon Cathedral

Wed 13th July SFX Induction day