



# Newsletter

Federation of East Cowton CE  
And Kirkby Fleetham CE  
Primary Schools  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 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!"

## What a week!

Well done to all of our fantastic year six children who have risen really well to the challenge of the Key Stage two assessments this week. There were quite a few changes to the tests this year, but the children were well prepared and staff were impressed with their mature and sensible attitude towards them. Thank you to Mrs Morgan and Mrs Mann for the breakfast treats at each school which helped to settle them in each morning.

## Website

We have been busy working on a new East Cowton School website which should be going live next week and will be located at [www.eastcowton.n-yorks.sch.uk](http://www.eastcowton.n-yorks.sch.uk). We have brought the websites from the two schools together, and they can be accessed via a 'schools selector' page. Click on the logo for your school and you should be able to enter the site. There is still work to do and we would be grateful of any feedback you have on either of the websites.

## Diary Dates for this term

As always the summer term diary is very full. There are a number of dates that we would like to explain a little further as parents are invited to be involved, in particular:

13<sup>th</sup> (KF) and 14<sup>th</sup> (EC) June 4pm - We will be holding **Parent forum meetings** to discuss staffing arrangements for September. If you have any other issues wish to raise, please do let Mrs Dudman or our Chair of Governors Collette Faulks know in advance.

17<sup>th</sup> (East Cowton) and 21<sup>st</sup> (Kirkby Fleetham) June **Father's day lunch**.

23<sup>rd</sup> June -East Cowton **Grandparent's lunch** for those who we were unable to accommodate last time!

4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> July - **Federation sports week**.

6<sup>th</sup> July - **Federation Olympics** will take place at East Cowton School and will be the culmination of our Wednesday federation sports afternoons. All parents are invited to come and support their children as they compete. The opening ceremony will be at 1.15pm and an afternoon of 'Olympic' athletic events and sports will follow.

7<sup>th</sup> July - East Cowton traditional **Sports afternoon**. All parents welcome.

12<sup>th</sup> July - Kirkby Fleetham traditional **Sports afternoon** on the village green. All parents welcome.

15<sup>th</sup> July - East Cowton **Friends BBQ and Rounders evening** - all welcome from both schools.

19<sup>th</sup> July - Kirkby Fleetham **Summer performance**.

21<sup>st</sup> July - East Cowton **Strawberry tea**.

26<sup>th</sup> July- East Cowton **leaver's service** 11am, followed by picnic lunch for Year 6 children and parents.

26<sup>th</sup> July - Kirkby Fleetham **leaver's service** 2pm.

## Term dates for 2016-17

Attached to this newsletter you will find a list of the revised term dates for the next academic year. You may notice that there has been a change to the training days previously provided as staff training will take place in the evenings. The training day formerly scheduled for Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016 will now be held on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2017 and that on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017 will now be held on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2017. Children will be required at school on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016 and 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017. The school will close at the end of Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2017 for the summer break.

### East Cowton Weekly Awards:

**Brilliant Bears:** Tate for his great work weighing different objects

**Beautiful Butterflies:** Korben for his extra effort in his handwriting

**Excellent Elephants:** Y6 for all their hard work and positive attitude to their SATs

**Listening Cup:** Joe

**Achievement Shield:** Laura

**Caring Bear:** Nate

### **House Points News**

**Ryedale 247 Ellie**

**Nidderdale 190 William F**

**Wensleydale 243 William R**

**Swaledale 178 Charlie**

**Headteacher Award:** Charlotte B, Joe, Daniel S

**Planets:** Lily Reed moved up a planet

### East Cowton News

**New staff member** The children would like to welcome Miss Hoggart to the school. Miss Hoggart will be working with us at lunchtimes on Monday and Friday.

**A big thank you** to Mr Helliar, Mrs Simpson and Mrs Smithson for their amazing efforts at the weekend in providing topsoil and making such a difference in the garden. The children in the gardening club really appreciate your efforts.

### **School Grounds**

We have had some incidents of people coming in to school out of hours, taking toys out of the sheds, leaving litter and cigarette ends around the grounds and breaking school property and fencing. Please could I ask all parents to be vigilant at weekends and evenings and let us know if they see anything untoward. Thank you.

### East Cowton Diary Dates

16-20 May Christian Aid Week

Fri 20 May Swimming (5/5)

Wed 25 May Introduction to Sikhism workshop - KS1/KS2

Wed 25 May Tchoukball Y5/6 Appleton Wiske

Fri 27 May training day

30 May - 3 Jun SCHOOL CLOSED FOR HALF TERM

Thur 9 Jun Y2 Art day, Great Smeaton School

Thur 16 Jun Y5/6 Bikeability training

Fri 17 Jun Father's Day lunch

Thur 23 Jun Y5/6 Bikeability training

Fri 24 Jun Armed Forces Day 7 for service children

Wed 29 Jun Y6 Leavers service Ripon Cathedral

Wed 6 Jul Federation Olympics

Thur 7 Jul School games day

WB 11 Jul Secondary schools transition days

### Kirkby Fleetham Weekly Awards:

### **Stars of the week:**

Jack Sturdy for completing challenges in maths well.

Will Hume for effort in writing.

Nel Hume for trying her best

### **House Point News**

**Rievaulx 15 points last week, 478 this year**

**Jervaulx 13 points last week, 549 this year**

**Byland 25 points last week, 529 this year**

### **Headteacher Awards**

Lily Tabberer, Emma Patchett, Lucy Shirt and Toby Marsh

### Kirkby Fleetham News



It was lovely to see Miss Follon and baby Freddie when they popped in to toddler group yesterday. The children were fascinated by him.

**Feast News** The feast committee will be organising a village picnic on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June for the queen's birthday and would like to invite all of our families to attend. The children will be performing a song and displaying their DT work

### **Uniform Order**

We will shortly need to submit our order for school uniform for next academic year. If you would like to place an order please complete the attached form and return to school by Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Any orders received after this date will incur a carriage charge. Delivery is expected to be the last week of summer term.

### Kirkby Fleetham Diary dates

Wed 18 May Bikeability training

Mon 23 May Bikeability training

Mon 23 May Group photographer in school

Tue 24 May Greek day

Wed 25 May Introduction to Sikhism workshop - KS1/KS2 East Cowton

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Wed 13-14 Jul SFX Induction days

Tue 26 Jul Leavers service St Andrews 2pm