



Newsletter

Federation of East Cowton CE
And Kirkby Fleetham CE
Primary Schools
Friday 21st October 2016

"A place where the beliefs and practices of the Christian faith underpin the social, moral, spiritual, cultural and physical wellbeing of every individual..."

Dear Parents

It's hard to believe that we've come to the end of the first half term already; it's been such a busy few weeks that it seems to have whizzed by. It is lovely to see how settled all our new children are



Federation Forest Schools

The reception children have had a lovely time taking part in forest schools activities with Mrs Wyatt. They all learnt how to use peelers safely and they explored the area looking for materials with different properties.



After half term the federation afternoons will only be taking place for the youngest children in the school. Mrs Wyatt will continue to visit with Reception and Year One children, but as we are now moving to indoor PE there isn't the space in the Hall for KS2 to join them as well.

Parent's evening

Please could all parents make sure they have signed up for the parents' evenings that take place the week after half term.

The federation achieves GOLD!!

We are really proud to have been awarded the Gold School Games mark at both our schools. A huge thank you to all our staff for the time they commit to running after school clubs and attending sporting events. Well done to our children who are always willing to have a go at new sports as well as the more traditional ones!



Jen has asked us to pass on a massive 'Thank you' to all the children and parents at Kirkby Fleetham school who donated shoe boxes for Romania.

A special mention must go to the Stace family who have fund-raised throughout the year to raise enough money to fill **70 shoe boxes**. This is a huge achievement and the time commitment alone is incredibly generous (Collecting and wrapping 70 shoeboxes is a huge feat in itself without having to fundraise and shop for the contents!). Both boys are quite rightly very proud of themselves and their family.

Check out the Friends federation Facebook page!

The Kirkby Fleetham Facebook page has now become a federation page. This is a great way to publicise our schools and let people know what's going on. Take a look at https://www.facebook.com/KirkbyFleethamSchool/?ref=page_internal

NEWS FROM EAST COWTON

Super Snakes: George for his super reading

Perfect Pandas: Toby for his enthusiasm in everything he does

Achievement Shield: Josh

Listening Cup: Lilly B

Caring Bear: Archie

Writers of the week: Lily R and Ruby

Planets: Sophie Archie, Abby, Joe, Toby,

Willoughby, Josh and Max

House Points News

Richmond 595 points **William F**

Middleham 536 points **Max**

Bolton 472 points **Toby and Serenity**

East Cowton News

Fond Farewell to Mrs Hodgson

Today we said goodbye to Mrs Hodgson, an excellent teaching assistant who will be sadly missed by all. We would like to thank her for all the time and energy she has committed to our school, and for always giving 'above and beyond' to support the children's learning. We wish her all the very best in her new post.

School Christmas Cards

The children will soon be creating their own Christmas card which you can purchase online. Once designed, we will send the cards to parents, with a unique order number on the reverse to be used to order your child's card through the APFS website. Prices and guidance are available online. Once you have completed your order, you **must** return your child's card to school so that we can send it to the company for printing and distribution in early December!

Friends Film Club The Friends are holding a film night from 3.45 - 5.45 on Thursday 3rd November. There will be no parent worship or Lego club that day.

East Cowton Diary Dates

Mon 31 Oct - School open

Wed 2 Nov - Parents evening

Thur 3 Nov - Y5/6 Football

Fri 4 Nov - Class 2 visit to Richmond

Thur 10 Nov - X-Country Finals

Fri 11 Nov - Remembrance Service

Mon 14 Nov - Y2 Anti-bullying workshop

Tue 15 Nov - Individual school photographs

Wed 16 Nov - Y1-3 Flu Vaccinations

Wed 16 Nov - Friends AGM

Fri 18 Nov - Children in Need Day

Wed 23 Nov - Y5/6 Girls Football

Fri 25 Nov - Friends Chocolate Tasting Evening

Mon 28 Nov - Full Governing body meeting

Wed 7 Dec - Christmas lunch

NEWS FROM KIRKBY FLEETHAM

Stars of the week Mia for her lovely handwriting, William S for his enthusiasm to learning and Jack S for his numeracy work.

House Points News

Richmond 18 points 112 total for the year

Middleham 18 points 126 total for the year

Bolton 15 points 133 total for the year

Kirkby Fleetham News



Harvest Festival

Well done to the pupils at Kirkby Fleetham School for the super Harvest Service at St Mary's Church on Tuesday morning. The children sang beautifully, the 'church mice' encouraged us to think about the meaning of Harvest, Mrs Wyatt's class did an excellent job of teaching us how to bake bread and Reverend Clive may be out of a job after William led the service so expertly!

Thank you to parents for their donations. The children in KS2 will be taking them to the food bank in Richmond when they visit after half term.

Kirkby Fleetham Diary Dates

Fri 21 Oct - Break up for half term

Mon 31 Oct - School open

Tue 1 Nov - Parents evening

Thur 3 Nov - Y5/6 Football

Fri 4 Nov - Class 2 visit to Richmond

Wed 9 Nov - Y1-3 Flu Vaccinations

Thur 10 Nov - X-Country Finals

Fri 18 Nov - Children in Need Day

Wed 23 Nov - Y5/6 Girls Football

Mon 28 Nov - Full Governing body meeting

Thur 1 Dec - Advent lunch (parents welcome)

Tue 13 Dec - Christmas performance 2pm, 6pm

Wed 14 Dec - Christmas lunch

Wed 14 Dec - Christingle 6pm St Mary's Church