



Newsletter

Federation of East Cowton CE
And Kirkby Fleetham CE
Primary Schools
Friday 8th December 2017

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



Christmas arrangements

Things are really starting to feel quite festive now and staff and pupils have been working really hard over the past few weeks to prepare for the forthcoming Christmas events.

Please see the information below to help us ensure that everything runs as smoothly as possible.



Kirkby Fleetham arrangements:

This year the children's **Christmas lunch** will be on Wednesday 13th December. **The Christmas play** will be at 2pm and 6pm on Friday 15th December. Please could all children arrive in costume by 5:45pm for the evening performance. If you would like tickets but haven't booked them yet please could your form be in by Monday 11th at the latest so that we can allocate reserve places. **The Christingle Service** will take place at St Mary's Church on Wednesday 20th December. Please could all children arrive in school uniform by 5.45pm. Children will be holding candles; so long hair will need to be tied back.

East Cowton arrangements:

The **Christmas play** will take place on Wednesday 13th at 2pm, and Thursday 14th, 2pm and 6pm. Please could all children arrive at the Village Hall for 5.45pm where they will change into their costume for the evening performance. Please could all ticket orders be in by Monday. Thank you to those parents who have offered to help with moving props and furniture to the village hall on Tuesday morning. If any parents are available to help after the show on Thursday evening please could you let Mrs Mann know. The Junior class will also be **singing at the Beeswing Pub** at a special community lunch on Wednesday 13th. **Christmas lunch** will be on Wednesday 20th and the **Christingle Service** will take place at 2pm at All Saints Church on **Thursday 21st December**.

Christmas parties will take place at both schools on Friday 22nd. Children may come to school in party clothes, though we ask that these are practical and nothing too special as it is a normal school day.

Posada



Mary and Joseph have been making their way around both of our communities. At East Cowton The Cooke family handed over the Posada to Mrs Shields on Thursday, who give Mary and Joseph a place in her home for the night. Tonight it will be going home with William, Lilly and Ella Reed.

At Kirkby Fleetham they have visited the homes of the nursery children who have enjoyed sharing photos of the visit with the rest of their class, they will continue on their journey around the homes of the class one children for the next two weeks.

Friends wreath making evening

Thank you to all who attended the 'Friends' Christmas Wreath making event in East Cowton on Tuesday evening, it was a lovely start to the festivities with mulled wine, mince pies and some spectacular creations. We raised an impressive £202.00 on the evening and hope it may become an annual event.



NEWS FROM EAST COWTON

Class 1: Charlotte for her independent writing

Class 2: Korben for always trying hard in all he does

Listening cup: Daniel S

Achievement shield: Daisy

House Points News

Richmond 669 **Ella, Charlotte M and Ruby**

Middleham 702 **Nate and Thomas**

Bolton 683 **Serenity**

East Cowton News

Class 1 Science project



This week our budding scientists have been investigating and testing different materials to see which are the most waterproof.

School photograph orders Monday 11th December is the last day for parents **not ordering online**.

Parents may continue to order online up to Wednesday December 20th.

Thursday sports club The children have been busy rehearsing for the Christmas production next week. There will be **no after school club** on Thursday as the children will be needed in the village hall at 5.30pm to prepare for the 6pm performance.

Donations wanted We are looking for donations of raffle prizes and mince pies for next week's Pantomime performances. Please drop anything that you have to offer into the school office.

East Cowton Diary Dates

Wed 13 Dec - Christmas Carols Beeswing Pub
Dress rehearsal

Thur 14 Dec - Christmas Pantomime 2pm, 6pm

Weds 20 Dec- Christmas dinner

Thur 21 Dec- Christingle service 2pm

Fri 22 Dec - Break up for Christmas holidays

Mon 8 Jan - Training day

Tue 9 Jan - School opens for the spring term

Fri 12 Jan - small schools swimming gala

Wed 31 Jan - Friends meeting

Fri 2 Feb - NSPCC number day
Beetle Drive

Fri 9 Feb - Break up for half term

21-23 Feb - Y5/6 Robinwood residential

Sat 10 March - Friends town Hall event

Fri 16 March - Chocolate Bingo

NEWS FROM KIRKBY FLEETHAM

Stars of the Week:

Niven: outstanding effort in gymnastics

Wesley: excellent effort in maths

Oscar: enthusiastic participation in SumDog

Jess: outstanding attitude

Jack S: excellent improvement in handwriting

Owen: fantastic maths

House Points News

Richmond 27 **Total for the year 276**

Middleham 34 **Total for the year 359**

Bolton 23 **Total for the year 317**

Kirkby Fleetham News

Props Department

Your child should have brought home last night a letter from the props department regarding their costume. There may be certain additional items we would like them to bring to school for Monday in a named carrier bag. If you have any queries or problems with regard to these requests please speak to one of the adults in school.

After School Club

Your child will be bringing home tonight a revised out of school club booking form for the last two weeks of term. This includes an option to book your child in for the Christmas craft club next Tuesday after being postponed from last week.

Additionally there will also be a letter from Mr James Scanlon with regard to karate lessons which will be continuing after Christmas. If your child would like to take part, irrespective of whether they have done so previously please ensure that you return the booking slip and payment to school ASAP.

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