



# Newsletter

Federation of East Cowton CE  
And Kirkby Fleetham CE  
Primary Schools  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017

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

## East Barnby



We have had a fabulous time at East Barnby and have battled bravely through some very cold weather for a range of activities including beck scrambling, canoeing, orienteering and sledging on a dry ski slope. The Children have been encouraged to hand each other a piece of



PIE (Physical, Instructional and Emotional support), which they have done extremely well, and we have seen courage, resilience, determination and impressive leadership skills from many of them. The East Barnby staff commented on what a super bunch they are, and they have certainly been a real pleasure to take away.



## Keeping your children safe online

A vital part of the computing curriculum involves teaching children how to keep themselves safe on line. This Tuesday was 'safer internet day, The theme for e-safety day this year was 'The Power of Image', and children from both schools explored the safe and positive use of images online. We learnt about what happens to photographs once they

are taken on digital equipment and to think carefully about how and where we share images with others. We explored how people form first impressions about us from the photographs we share, and using the school digital camera we created posters about ourselves and the kind of person we are.

Protecting children online can be a bit of a mine field, but there is good advice available to children and parents on CEOP's think u know website: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

## World book day

On Thursday 2nd March we will be celebrating World Book Day alongside hundreds of Primary Schools across the country. On the day we are asking children to come to school dressed as their favourite character from a book and take part in a whole host of reading activities including a bell ringing at various points in the day for **DEAR**: Drop Everything and Read! And **ERIC**: Everyone Reads In Class! Remember to bring your favourite book into school to share on the day!

## Friends Swimming Party

Just a reminder that the swimming party this Sunday has been cancelled because the slide is out of action, the event will now take place on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March.

## Battery recycling

Well done to those who have brought their used batteries in to recycle, keep them coming! You can learn what happens to used batteries here:

<http://www.batteryback.org/>

## NEWS FROM EAST COWTON

**Headteacher's awards:**

**Super snakes:** William R for putting a lot of thought into his work and reflecting

**Perfect pandas:** Sophie for super effort in maths

**Listening cup:** Joe

**Achievement shield:** Colette

**Caring bear:** Max

**Smirfs space mission:** Daniel H and Charlie

**House Points News**

<b>Richmond</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>Joe</b>
<b>Middleham</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>Willoughby</b>
<b>Bolton</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>Archie</b>

## East Cowton News

**Literacy and maths** Y3/4 have been making maths games to help each other learn their times tables in a fun way. As part of their literacy they wrote instructions to go with the games.

**Battle Cry videos** The children in Class 2 were recently recorded sounding their battle cries as part of a writing project. Consent forms will be going home today to allow the videos to be shown on the school website. **It is important that parents complete and return the forms to school.**

**School Pet** Belle has settled into school very well. If parents are happy to look after Belle during holidays or weekends, please let Mrs Rowley know.

## East Cowton Diary Dates

Tues 14 Feb - Y5/6 Hi 5 Netball  
Thurs 16 Feb - Y4 Robotics Science Workshop  
Fri 17 Feb - break up for half term  
Mon 27 Feb - return to school  
Thurs 2 March - World book day (come dressed as a book character)  
Sun 5 March - Federation Swimming Party  
Thurs 9 March - Parents evening  
Thurs 16 March- Y5/6 Cluster debate at County Hall  
Fri 24 - March Red Nose Day  
Friends Chocolate Bingo  
Fri 7 April - Break up for Easter Holidays  
Mon 8 - 11 May SATs Week

## Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

We would also like to thank those who have started to bring in their Sainsbury's vouchers. Would you please remember to encourage friends and family to donate vouchers.

## NEWS FROM KIRKBY FLEETHAM

**Stars of the Week:** Oscar, for his time telling skills, Frankie for her exceptional learning behaviour and Lee for his amazing African maths.

**House Points News**

<b>Richmond</b>	<b>28 points</b>	<b>460 total for the year</b>
<b>Middleham</b>	<b>23 points</b>	<b>363 total for the year</b>
<b>Bolton</b>	<b>23 points</b>	<b>463 total for the year</b>

## Kirkby Fleetham News

**Teach your monster to read**



We have introduced the children in Class 1 to this phonics app which supports their early reading. You will receive log in details next week. It is free on computers (£4.99 for tablets.)

## **Stunning Art Work!**

In absence of our Year 5 and 6 children, Year 3 and 4 have been using the peace and quiet to get creative! They have produced some wonderful African inspired artwork including beautiful hot sunsets and tribal sculptures. You are welcome to come into school and view it on display in our hall, or watch out for it on the school website.



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Fri 17 Feb - break up for half term  
Friends meeting  
Mon 27 Feb - return to school  
Great Dane Bake Off and non-uniform day  
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