



Newsletter

Federation of East Cowton CE
And Kirkby Fleetham CE
Primary Schools
Friday 15th September 2017

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

Consultation

The consultation period for our proposed Academy conversion closed last Friday. Many thanks to all parents and members of the community who contributed to this, either by attending meetings, taking the online survey or writing in to school. A document collating the feedback from all the schools involved is being prepared and should be available on our website within a fortnight.

PE and School sport

We are trying to raise the profile of PE and school sport within our schools this year and have arranged for a number of sports coaches to come in to school to teach PE and lead sports clubs to children of all age groups. We would like to develop a bank of contact details for local sports providers. If your child takes part in sports outside of school we would love to hear about it.



Sainsbury's Vouchers

Many thanks to all those parents who collected Sainsbury's vouchers for us. At **Kirkby Fleetham** we decided to bank them for next year so that we could make a bigger purchase. At **East Cowton** we were supported by customers of the village shop, and their additional donations enabled us to buy some really lovely playtime equipment that has already seen plenty of use this week.



It is easy to check when children share clearly visible "visitors" such as head lice, but germs, bacteria and internal parasites such as worms are not obvious until our children become unwell. In school we insist children wash their hands after a visit to the toilet, prior to eating their fruit, drinking their milk or having their lunch. It would be a great help if parents could reinforce this pattern of personal hygiene at home. This is particularly vital if your child is a thumb sucker or prone to nail biting and putting their fingers in their mouth.

We will be holding open mornings in both our schools after half term. Please do encourage anyone you know with pre-school children to come along and have a look at our lovely schools.

For your diary, the dates are:

East Cowton open morning: Weds 15th November 10:00-11:30am

Kirkby Fleetham open morning: Tues 21st November 10:00-11:30am

NEWS FROM EAST COWTON

Class 1: George for his excellent attitude to working

Class 2: Abby for going above and beyond with her homework

Listening cup: Eloise

Achievement shield: Willoughby

Headteacher's award: Ella

A special mention goes to Daniel Smithson for 100% attendance last year.

House points News

Richmond	62	Lily and Eloise
Middleham	78	Abby
Bolton	81	George

East Cowton News

Friends of the School news

A huge thank you to Emma and Guy Reed for very kindly organising and hosting a fantastic Family Fun Day last Saturday.



Over £500 was raised for the Friends through a mix of stalls, games, BBQ, bouncy castle and generous donations of cakes. Thank you too to all who came and supported the event.

MacMillan Afternoon Tea This year we will be holding an afternoon tea on Thursday 28th September in aid of MacMillan Cancer Research. We will be open from 2pm, followed by Parent Worship at 3pm. Do come along to join us for a cuppa, a natter and some gorgeous treats, or perhaps donate something scrummy!

East Cowton Diary Dates

Wed 20 Sept- Friends meeting, 7.30pm at the Beeswing Inn

Tues 26 Sept - KS1 fun run

Thur 28 Sept - Governors' meeting

Thur 5 Oct - Harvest festival service at 2pm

Thur 12 Oct - Tag rugby

Wc 16 Oct - Thank your vicar week

Fri 20 Oct - Break up for half term

Mon 30 Oct - School starts for children

Mon 30 Oct - Governors' meeting

Thur 2 Nov - Y3-6 X-country

Fri 10 Nov - Remembrance service

Tues 14 Nov - Individual photos

Fri 22 Dec - Break up for Christmas holidays

NEWS FROM KIRKBY FLEETHAM

Stars of the Week:

Edward: excellent contributions in English

George: a mature and sensible start to the year

Frankie: Tolerance and teamwork!

Amber: a positive start to Year 3

Jack S: wonderful writing

Leo K: wonderful writing

House Points News

Richmond	6	Total for the year 6
Middleham	10	Total for the year 10
Bolton	8	Total for the year 8

Kirkby Fleetham News

Swimming

This year we will be having our swimming lessons in the summer term and not the spring term as in previous years. We will be going to Richmond Swimming Pool at the same time as the children from East Cowton school and having a longer 1 hour session for 5 weeks (instead of 10 sessions of half an hour). We will be in touch nearer the time with more detail.

Letters

Please could parents check book bags/ school bags on a regular basis for letters and return any reply slips promptly. This helps Mrs Sturdy greatly in organising trips and events. Thank you.



Nursery

Our 5 nursery children have settled really well into the new term and we have enjoyed having them, for lunch on Mondays and Tuesdays.

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Mon 30 Oct - School starts for children

Mon 30 Oct - Governors' meeting

Thurs 2 Nov - KS2 cross country

Tues 7 Nov - parents evening

Wed 8 Nov - Year 5/6 football

Fri 22nd Dec - Break up for Christmas holidays