



# Newsletter

Federation of East Cowton CE  
And Kirkby Fleetham CE  
Primary Schools  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018

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



## Fun in the snow!

We always like an opportunity to take our learning outdoors and yesterday was no exception. Children at both schools had plenty of fun in the snow and enjoyed a mid- morning hot chocolate to warm them up.

At Kirkby Fleetham the children worked together in teams to produce snowmen. Despite the snow being 'the wrong type', the children persevered and managed to sculpt some amazing creations!

At **East Cowton** the children enjoyed using their imaginations to build a snow sculpture, some made snow angels and others ventured into igloo building. In the afternoon Class 2 designed their own snow themed science investigations such as the insulation and absorption of different materials.



## Swimming Gala

Congratulations to our federation swimming team who came home from the small schools swimming gala last week with rather a lot of medals between them, including second overall! Some of them were quite nervous before the event and Mrs Tongue and Miss Follon were really impressed by their determination.

A special thank you to Mrs Smithson who helped with transport to and from the event.

## Vacancies at East Cowton Primary School

We have the following vacancies at East Cowton school:

### **Part time Administrator**

We require a conscientious, friendly and flexible person to provide admin support in the school office for 10 hours a week, preferably on a Thursday morning and all day Friday.

### **Breakfast Club leader**

We are looking for someone flexible and adaptable to provide early morning childcare for a small group of pupils. They will need to be available from 7:50 to 9:00am Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, plus other mornings as required.

**If you are interested in either role, please see our website or contact Mrs White in the school office on 01325 378347**



## Grow a Pound 2018!



To support the NSPCC Number Day, and after success in the past, the Friends of both schools are launching 'Grow a Pound 2018'.

The idea is that the children are each given a pound by the Friends Committee, and their mission is to 'grow' that pound into more, like mini entrepreneurs! There are no strict rules on how this is done, as long as it's legal. The money raised will be split between the Friends and NSPCC. Get your thinking caps on and let's have some more fantastic ideas! The deadline will be Monday 19th March.

### NEWS FROM EAST COWTON

**Class 1:** Charlotte M for her contributions in class and being an active learner

**Class 2:** Lily R for her fabulous birth story

**Listening Cup:** Freya

**Achievement Shield:** George

**Headteacher's Award** - Lily R

**Bronze buddies:** Ella

**Silver Squad:** Toby, Joe, Max and Ellie

#### House Points News

**Richmond** 69 - **William R**

**Middleham** 68 - **Colette**

**Bolton** 68 - **George**

#### East Cowton News



#### If you go down to the woods today!

The children in Class Two had a great time exploring the woods in their first Forest Schools session. They took time to get familiar with the environment and each found their own "special place". The children are very excited to return next week.

#### East Cowton Diary Dates

Fri 26 Jan - Friends Beetle Drive - East Cowton Village Hall at 6pm

Wed 31 Jan - Robinwood meeting in school at 5:30pm & Friends meeting at 7:30pm - Beeswing

Fri 2 Feb - NSPCC number day - Grow a pound

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

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> March - World book day

### NEWS FROM KIRKBY FLEETHAM

#### Stars of the week:

Tom: enthusiastic, engaged learning attitude

George: big questions in RE

Edward: excellent singing in worship

Holly St: outstanding phonics

Lee: enthusiasm for learning

Jess: outstanding maths

Lily: outstanding maths

#### House Points News

**Richmond** 20 **Total for the year 311**

**Middleham** 26 **Total for the year 400**

**Bolton** 28 **Total for the year 364**

#### Kirkby Fleetham News

##### Forest Schools

The children in Nursery and class 1 will be walking up to the forest schools site on **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February**.

They will need to wear long trousers, waterproof coats, waterproof trousers (if they have them), wellies and gloves.

If any parents are available to join us your help would be much appreciated. Please let us know if you can.

##### Before and after school club

Please make sure that you complete a booking form if you would like us to provide childcare for your child before or after school so that we can arrange appropriate staffing and resources. Thankyou.

##### Nursery lunch

We are pleased to now be able to offer nursery lunch on Fridays as well as Mondays and Tuesdays. Please let Mrs Arrowsmith know if your child would like to stay for lunch.

##### Kirkby Fleetham Diary Dates

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Full Governors meeting

Weds 24<sup>th</sup> Jan - Robinwood meeting 5.30pm

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb - NSPCC number day - Grow a pound

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Feb - class one forest schools

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb- Forest schools

Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Feb - Break up for half term

21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> Feb - Y5/6 Robinwood residential

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> March - World book day



East Cowton and Kirkby Fleetham CE Primary Schools are members of **Dales Academies Trust**, company number 08372064, whose registered office is at: Blair Avenue, Ingleby Barwick, Stockton on Tees, TS17 5BL