



# Newsletter

Federation of East Cowton CE  
And Kirkby Fleetham CE  
Primary Schools  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2016

"A safe, caring, fun, stimulating and challenging learning environment!"

This week the junior children have been busy learning about the EU referendum and what the outcome may mean for them in the future. They have continued to follow the European championships, and the older children have even learned some football terminology in their French lessons. Children in Key stages one and two have also worked extremely hard both at school and at home on the sum dog competition.

A big Well done also goes to the Y5/6 children at East Cowton, all of whom passed their bikeability this week. We were very proud to hear the examiners describe them as 'excellent' not only for their cycling skills but also for their behaviour.



A huge thank you goes to our school cooks; Mrs Turner and Mrs Morgan for the father's day lunches they prepared and also for the grandparents lunch at East Cowton. It was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents in school and the children really enjoyed being able to share some of their work with you.

On Friday Kirkby Fleetham pupils went up to the forest as part of Empty Classroom Day. This was a national day recognised by Eco - Schools to help reduce the amount of energy that would have been used in the classroom. No lights were switched on and no computers were put on in the morning we were out. The children really enjoyed being in their "outdoor classroom". Mrs Hume's class were inspired to write poems and songs about nature, whilst Mrs Bradshaw's and Mrs Wyatt's class went on a mini bug hunt as part of their science lessons. We are looking forward to the next Empty Classroom Day!



## Armed Forces Day

Last Friday our older service pupils and their peers in Y4/5 at East Cowton attended a special day at Catterick Garrison. The school has a number of Service Pupils and the event offered all of the children who attended a chance to see what Armed Forces life is like for them, to speak to serving personnel from all areas and trades in the Armed Forces, to touch, try and see the equipment that is used and be entertained by Army musicians. The children also enjoyed a real army mess meal with stew!



### East Cowton Weekly Awards:

**Brilliant Bears:** Daniel H for fantastic time telling  
**Beautiful Butterflies:** William R for being focussed in literacy  
**Excellent Elephants:** Josh for his effort in all his lessons  
**Listening Cup:** William F  
**Achievement Shield:** Serenity  
**Caring Bear:** Daniel S  
**Writer of the week:** Evie  
**Reading raffle winner:** Emma  
**Headteacher's Award:** Charlotte B, Emma K, Charlotte I and Ethan I

### **House Points News**

<b>Ryedale</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>Colette/Ethan</b>
<b>Nidderdale</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>William F</b>
<b>Wensleydale</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>Max</b>
<b>Swaledale</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>Korben</b>

### East Cowton News

**Goodbye and good luck** to Miss Brown who has been working with us as a student teacher in Class 2. The children wish her luck in her future career and thank her for all her hard work.

**Sum dog** Of the original 293 teams that entered last week's competition, East Cowton came 102<sup>nd</sup>. Many thanks go to all those parents who supported the children at home.

**Gardening club news** The children were visited on Thursday by Richard Whitfield and Hannah Wilkinson from the Skipton Building Society in Northallerton. We are extremely grateful for their donations of a water butt, gardening gloves and bamboo screening, which were used as part of our Empty Classroom day on Friday.



### East Cowton Diary Dates

Tue 28 Jun Y1 Science Workshop  
Tue 28 Jun Reception induction  
Wed 29 Jun Y6 Leavers service Ripon Cathedral  
Wed 6 Jul Federation Olympics  
Thur 7 Jul School games day  
Fri 8 Jul Spelling Bee  
WB 11 Jul Secondary schools transition days  
Fri 15 Jul Friends rounders / BBQ evening at EC  
Thur 21 Jul Strawberry tea / Teddy bears picnic  
Tue 26 Jul Leavers' Service All Saints 11am  
Wed 27 JUL SCHOOL CLOSED - END OF TERM  
Tues 6 SEP SCHOOL OPENS TO CHILDREN

### Kirkby Fleetham Weekly Awards:

**Stars of the week:** Will Hume for his fab understanding of the Olympics, Jack Sturdy for his positive attitude, Thomas Landells for his calm attitude, Frankie Faulks for her persuasive writing and Mylo Wimmer for his football.

### **House Point News**

**Rievaulx 11 points last week, 530 this year**  
**Jervaulx 8 points last week, 586 this year**  
**Byland 8 points last week, 591 this year**

### Kirkby Fleetham News

**Sum dog** Of the original 293 North Yorkshire teams that entered last week's competition, Kirkby Fleetham came 14<sup>th</sup>. We were particularly proud of the children who were in first position on Monday, and showed a huge amount of resilience and determination as they re-entered after all their data was lost and moved to the bottom of the score board! Many thanks go to all those parents who supported the children at home.

**'Too cool for school'** On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July the Friends of Kirkby Fleetham school are organising a non-uniform day where the children are invited to come to school in their home clothes in return for a donation towards the summer raffle.

### Kirkby Fleetham Diary dates

Thurs 30 Jun Induction morning EYFS  
Wed 29 Jun Y6 Leavers service Ripon Cathedral  
Mon 4 Jul Thorpe Perrow  
Wed 6 Jul Federation Olympics  
Thurs 7 Jul Bedale High induction day  
Fri 8 Jul 'Too cool for school' no uniform day  
WB 11 Jul Secondary schools transition days  
Tues 12 Jul Sports day  
Wed 13-14 Jul SFX Induction days  
Tues 19 Jul Celebration evening  
Fri 15 Jul Friends Rounders / BBQ evening at EC  
Tue 26 Jul Leavers service St Andrews 2pm  
Wed 27 JUL SCHOOL CLOSED - END OF TERM  
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