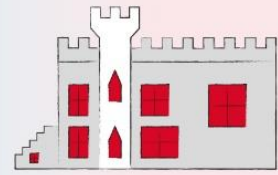




The Federation of North and South Cowton Community and Melsonby Methodist Primary Schools



Melsonby Methodist Primary School
Live Life in all its Fullness



North and South Cowton Community Primary School
Aspire, Inspire, Enquire

Friday 7th October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe where the term has gone and the fact we have now reached the end of week 5. This is always the point in the term where children start to feel rather tired as they adjust to the new routines!

Apologies for my lack of presence last week – as a number of you know, my school in Catterick had a visit from 5 Ofsted Inspectors so we were rather busy!

It has been another busy week across the Federation with children taking part in a number of events. Both Key Stage 2 classes took part in the inter-school cross country at Richmond School earlier this week. We had some stand out performances and I am really pleased that we are returning to many of the events that were cancelled during Covid. These events are really important allowing pupils to compete against others across the area and excel in particular areas.

Reception Baseline

All of our Reception age pupils are now settled into school life and will be completing a short base line assessment next week. This is a standardised assessment that all new entrants to school complete. The children work one-to-one with their teacher for this and takes around 15 minutes. I have attached a parent information sheet regarding this and, should you require any further information, then please speak to your child's teacher.

Goodbye

We have said a 'goodbye' this week at North & South Cowton as Mrs Garbutt ended her 18 year involvement with the school as a Midday Supervisor. We wish her well in her new venture and thank her for her dedicated service to the school. The children presented her with a range of gifts to say farewell.



Ian Holt

Federation Notices and Dates

A reminder for Year 6 parents -

Applications for secondary school must be made by 31st October 2022

Open Events – Reception Age Starters

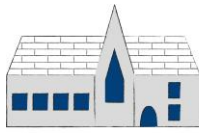
We are making the final arrangements for a range of open events across both schools aimed at Reception Age Starters in September 2023. The information will be shared next week. We would love for you to share this across your networks for any families who have children set to start school next year!

Parent Evenings

We will also be sending out information about Parent Evenings. These are scheduled to take place during the week beginning 14th November. We will be offering a hybrid model of face to face sessions or on-line sessions.

Crucial Crew

Year 6 pupils from both schools will be attending Crucial Crew on 15th November, at Carlton Lodge, Thirsk. This involves demonstrations by the police, fire service etc. which will give the children an insight into various scenarios they may come across and how to deal with them.



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News from Melsonby

Class 1

Reception children have taken part in the Reception baseline this week and have all tried really hard. We are very proud of them.

Year 1 and 2 children are practising their lines for the Harvest service and we are excited to share this with you all soon.

Achievement – **Amelie** for reading every day and making great progress in her phonics learning.

Value of Thankfulness – **Seth** for being consistently kind and helpful to other children and staff.

Class 2

This week in class 2 we have been to the cross-country event hosted by Richmond High School. Every child showed great effort and sportsmanship by completing their own races even when it proved difficult and also, cheering on their friends and those from other schools who needed some support in crossing the line.

Next week we will be delving further into our art, where the children will be looking at creating their own self portrait - inspired by Lowry.

Achievement - This week we are celebrating the achievements that occurred a couple of weeks ago. All the children who took part in Robin Wood have been presented with their own certificates of participation. They have just arrived and we are pleased to share them.

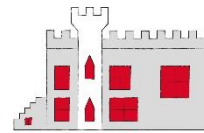
Deadlines and Reminders

Robinwood – A reminder that any outstanding payments for the recent residential visit are due by **Friday 14th October**. Thank you

Parent Pay - Please can we remind everyone that accounts for lunches and wrap around care must be kept in credit. Thank you for your co-operation with this

Dates for your Diaries

Friday 21st October – Harvest Service, 2pm in church
Friday 21st October - School closes for half term
Monday 31st October – School re-opens after half term
Monday 31st October – Flu immunisation



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Class 1

Class 1 have been busy exploring autumn as part of their learning during art this week. They have explored natural materials and have painted their own autumnal trees. As part of their science lesson, they demonstrated great confidence when presenting their own weather forecasts to all their friends.



Class 2

Class 2 demonstrated our school values during their visit to Richmond School for the cross-country competition. All the children showed great resilience and perseverance when running their own races and demonstrated kindness and unity when supporting their peers. We wish Connie well as she progresses to the next stage of the competition.

Achievement

Jamie for an excellent attitude in all areas of his learning.

Values

Mia for always demonstrating kindness and responsibility.

Deadlines and Reminders

Robinwood –any outstanding amounts to be paid by 16th October please.
Parent Pay – please ensure your Parent Pay account is up to date. Thank you.

Dates for your Diaries

13th October – Northallerton School & Sixth Form College open evening 5pm – 7pm.
18th October – Tag Rugby for years 5 & 6
21st October – Harvest Festival 10am in the village hall. Donations for a local foodbank would be greatly appreciated
21st October – PTA Halloween Party in the village hall 3.30pm – 5pm.
School closes for half term break.