

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

Friday 10th September

Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you have had a lovely summer break and were able to enjoy some time with family and friends.

Firstly, a big thank you to everyone for adjusting so quickly to the new school day timings. It has been a pleasure to see the children returning to school with such a positive attitude and settling into new routines so quickly.

We started the term earlier this week by sharing our Federation Vision with the children:

'Aspire, Inspire and Enquire'

During collective worship and assemblies, we thought about what each of these words means to us, phrases associated with each, people who may inspire us and examples of when and how we may demonstrate these.

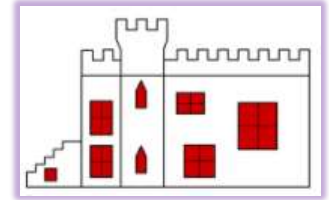
Following on from this, we thought about our new classes and our expectations of each other. The children and adults worked together to devise a class charter that everyone would agree to in order to make our classrooms and school environment a very happy place.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Robinson



Love one another, encourage curiosity and foster resilience.



Respect each other, learn from one another, move forward together.

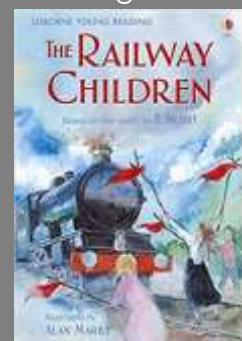
Federation Notices and Dates

At Melsonby school, Mrs Davison has taken on the role of Base Leader this year and at North and South Cowton, Miss Cheesbrough continues to lead in this role. Thank you to them both for taking on this responsibility.

We are very pleased to welcome Shaun Henderson (Oscar and Melody's Dad) as a parent governor for our Federation. Thank you so much for joining us.

Book Recommendations

This week, we would like to start by recommending 'The Railway Children,' which will be the focus text for Class 2 in both schools. We look forward to seeing some fantastic writing outcomes!





News from Melsonby

As well as our new teacher Miss Shippen, we are so excited to welcome our new Reception children to Melsonby school this week. What a fantastic week they have had! Their first day was full of smiles and laughter which is set to continue. We feel very lucky to have extended our school family to welcome **Daisy, Evie, Emilia, Jack** and **Millie**.

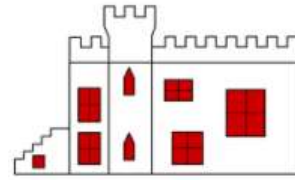
Please see information from the Friends of Melsonby regarding to Bags 2 School collection.



Deadlines and Reminders

Dates for your Diaries

Monday 13th September – Swimming for KS2 begins
Friday 24th September – Bag2School Collection
Friday 22nd October - School closes for half term
Monday 1st November – School reopens



News from North and South Cowton

As well as our new Class 1 teacher, Mrs Mundy, we were really pleased to welcome our new Music teacher, Miss Plant, for the first of many fantastic lessons.

We are so proud of the achievements children are continuing to make outside of school too. Well done to Amelia for earning your Blue Peter badge and to Connie for finishing in 1st place in the Darlington Junior 3K. Well done girls!



A big thank you to Moira (Jamie's Mum) who kindly brought our playground bench back to life over the summer. Jamie played an important part in this too!

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A reminder to please pay any outstanding monies owed for school lunches or after school activities as soon as you are able to.

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