

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

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November

## 'Heroes!'

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week, we came to school in our spots, stripes and range of colours to support the very worthy cause of Children in Need.



We explored this year's theme 'Heroes' and debated who we felt fell into this category. After a very engaging discussion on what it means to be a hero, we came to the conclusion that we meet and interact with heroes everyday in our school, our families and our communities. The people closest to us are often the ones we admire the most and are heroes in our eyes!

This week, we held our first Federation council meeting, virtually. We began with introductions from each of the councillors and then went on to share suggestions from each of the children about how they would like to work together going forwards. Below are some of the children's suggested aims:

- Create a Federation plan to reduce our carbon footprint
- Produce a half termly newsletter to share with children and parents (from the Federation Council)
- Work together to raise funds for charities in need of support

We look forward to hearing more from our councillors over the year.

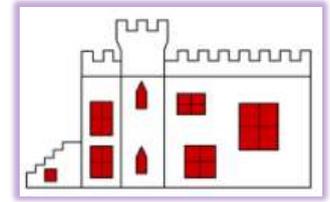
Have a lovely weekend!

Kind Regards,

Mrs Robinson



*Love one another, encourage curiosity and foster resilience.*



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

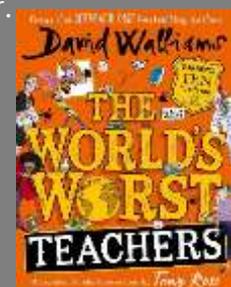
## Federation Notices and Dates

As many of you are aware, cases of Covid amongst our communities have started to rise.

Whilst government guidance states that children (under the age of 18) and adults (who have had a double vaccination) can be in school whilst awaiting the result of a PCR, we are advising that where possible they stay at home until a result is obtained. We also ask that even if a negative PCR has been obtained that you continue to LFT your child following any contact with someone who has tested positive.

## Book Recommendations

This week, we have yet another David Walliams recommendation from the year 6 boys at North and South Cowton, who have been enjoying swapping these fantastic books between one another.





## News from Melsonby

The staff and children would like to say a huge thank you to the Friends of Melsonby School for a fantastic Christmas Fete on Sunday!

On Thursday, Class 1 were extremely lucky to be joined by Mr Henderson (Oscar and Melody's Dad). He shared some of his lovely songs all about nocturnal animals and the children had a great time joining in with the words and actions.



### Achievement Awards

Class 1 – **Oscar**

For a positive attitude towards his reading and great progress in this over the past few weeks. Well done Oscar!

Class 2 – **Florence**

For showing real resilience when returning to school. Florence has jumped straight back into her learning. Well done!

**Values Award**

**Ella**

For being observant of other people's feelings and showing kindness to all. Well done Ella!

## Deadlines and Reminders

A reminder to please bring a coat to school as the weather is getting much colder.

Please ensure school jumpers are worn on P.E days.

## Dates for your Diaries

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Play at 6pm

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December** – Flu Immunisation

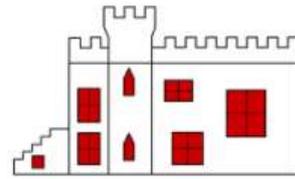
**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Play at 2pm.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Pantomime visit

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Party

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – Carol Service in church at 2pm. End of Term



## News from North and South Cowton

This week, we were pleased to welcome one of our Governors to join science in Class 2. As part of their focus on 'sound', the children carried out their own investigation into which size cones would help them to hear the best.

Meanwhile, Class 1 enjoyed a trip to Melsonby school library, where they were very excited to choose some of their favourite books to read for pleasure. It was lovely to see such enthusiasm towards reading!



### Achievement Award

Class 2 – **Paige**

For always showing a positive attitude and taking responsibility for her learning. Well done Paige!

### Values Award

Class 2 – **Leo**

For showing responsibility. Leo has been a fantastic role model recently by offering to support with many of our community jobs. Well done Leo!

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**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – Science workshop for Yr 6

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Play dress rehearsal 2pm

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Pantomime visit

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Party

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Play 5.30pm

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – Carol Service 10.00am