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

Friday 3rd December

'Kindness'

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy week across our schools.

We were really proud to be included in 'Richmondshire Today' for our sporting success. If you haven't seen this already, please follow the link below:

https://www.richmondshiretoday.co.uk/north-cowton-and-melsonby-schools-celebrate-sporting-success/

This week, as part of our Picture News assembly, we looked at the image below by Lucy Burvant and talked about what the little girl might be saying to the creature.

This prompted lots of discussion about people in our communities who may be feeling lonely or isolated at Christmas and what we can do to show kindness towards them at this time.



The children came up with some wonderful suggestions which included 'offering words of encouragement', 'saying hello to someone on their own' and even 'giving away some of your presents'.

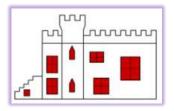
We look forward of hearing about the many ways that the children have spread kindness to others in their communities during the Christmas period.

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, Miss Shippen from Melsonby would like to recommend the book below, which is an adventure book aimed at children in years 5 and 6







News from Melsonby

Children from Class 1 and 2 followed on from their discussion in Collective Worship about how to spread kindness. We saw some great collaborative work and peer support from the

children in Class 2.



Achievement Awards

Class 1 – **Nathan**

Over the past few weeks, Nathan has made real progress with his early reading. He always tackles new words and books with positivity.

Class 2 - Harriet

For having such a positive attitude to learning. Harriet has been thinking carefully about how to improve her learning and has been independently editing her writing.

Values Award

Class 1 - Chad

For always thinking about the feelings of others before speaking and acting. A great role model!

Deadlines and Reminders

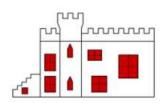
Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 10th December Children are welcome to come to school wearing a Christmas jumper if they wish. Jumpers should be worn instead of school cardigans or sweatshirts with normal uniform, i.e trousers or skirt.

Dates for your Diaries

Tuesday 7th December – Christmas Play at 6pm **Wednesday 8th December** – Flu immunisation for those pupils who have been registered.

Wednesday 8th December – Christmas Play at 2pm **Friday 10th December** – Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

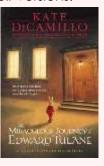
Tuesday 14th December – Pantomime visit Thursday 16th December – Christmas Party Friday 17th December – Carol Service 2pm



News from North and South Cowton

At North and South Cowton this week, children in Class 2 have been writing their own new chapter of their class book, 'The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane'. Using their knowledge of other stories, they have stepped into the role of an author and begun adapting this well-loved story. We can't wait to read their versions!





Achievement Award

Class 2- Aiden

For always having a conscientious attitude towards all of his learning. Aiden has been making great progress in year 6 and we are very proud of his achievements.

Values Award

Class 2 - Mia

For always showing responsibility and taking pride in all that she does. Mia is a fantastic role model to others.

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 7th December – Science workshop for Yr 6 Friday 10th December – Christmas Jumper Day Friday 10th December – Christmas lunch Monday 13th December - Xmas play dress rehearsal

Tuesday 14th December – Pantomime visit