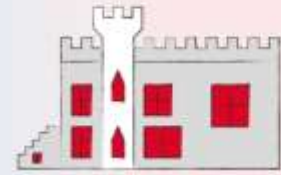




The Federation of North and South Cowton Community and Melsonby Methodist Primary Schools



Melsonby Methodist Primary School
Live Life in all its Fullness



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

Friday 14th October 2022

Signs of Autumn

The delights of 'Conkers', 'Big Red Combine Harvester' and 'Harvest Samba' have been ringing through the school halls this week as the children have been focusing on Harvest. The joy of hearing the children sing with full gusto has been lovely and I know the Harvest Services next week will be full of joy. Hopefully we will see a number of you at the events in North & South Cowton Village Hall or at Melsonby Church next week.

Governor Introduction

At the start of term, we welcomed a new Co-Chair of Governors to the Federation Governing Body. Elaine Richardson has joined the body and has taken on the role of Co-Chair alongside Gail Smith. Both have taken on this combined role replacing Stuart Priestley who has stepped down from the Governing Body after a number of years leading the board. We thank him for all of his input and focus in supporting both schools.

Daylight Hours

As we head towards the 'clocks changing', it is a good time to remind everyone about staying safe as they walk to and from school. This is especially important for some of our older pupils who walk to and from school independently. Please take the time to remind your children about crossing the roads carefully and wearing bright clothing.

Open Events for Reception Age Starters

In this week's newsletter, we have attached some posters sharing information about a range of 'open events' that we are hosting for potential Reception age new starters in September 2023. We would really appreciate your support in sharing this information within your various networks ahead of applications being made.

E-Safety Message

Providing regular updates for pupils and parents is a vital part of our curriculum around Computing and e-safety. The attached 'KidSMART' poster is a useful resource to support conversations between parents and children about on-line activity. We really encourage you to have regular and open conversations about e-safety in order to make sure everyone is safe.

Ian Holt

Federation Notices and Dates

Parent Evenings

Sessions will take place on;

Tuesday 15th Nov - 3:30 to 5:00pm

Wednesday 16th Nov – 4:00 to 6:30pm

Thursday 17th Nov – 4:00 to 5:30pm

Option of face to face session in school or virtually via Zoom link sent prior to Parent Meeting.

Session length – 15 minutes per child

MELSONBY – a Microsoft Form will be sent out next week with further details.

Bookings now being taken via email.

Please email;

admin@northsouthcowton.n-yorks.sch.uk for North & South Cowton

Please request preferred time and indicate if you wish to have a face to face or virtual meeting.





News from Melsonby

Class 1

This week in class 1 we have made our very own Gingerbread Men. We enjoyed decorating them with sweets. We then went on to create our own set of instructions to make gingerbread men. If you would like our recipe, do not hesitate to ask a member of class 1.

Achievement: **Lily** for her creative and imaginative story writing of her alternative ending to the Gingerbread Man.

Class 2

This week we have been looking at the story of Moses through our RE lesson and what his encounter with God tells us about Christianity. It has inspired some thoughtful questions, "Did God actually speak through the Burning bush?" "Do people today have experiences like that?" The children have taken the lesson and begun creating a wall display.

Achievement: **Tillie** has challenged herself in her learning this week, especially in subjects that don't come as naturally to her by taking the time to go back and improve on written work she has created.

Values: **Chad** is always a model for good manners and makes sure his thankfulness to others is shown clearly through this.

Deadlines and Reminders

PE will take place on Wednesday next week due to the school trip to the Hullabaloo Theatre on Thursday.

The Harvest festival will be held on Friday 21st October at 2pm in the church. Any tinned donations are still being accepted. Thank you.

Dates for your Diaries

Thursday 20th October – Whole School Visit to Hullabaloo Theatre
Friday 21st October – Harvest Service 2pm in church
Friday 21st October – School Closes for half term
Monday 31st October – School reopens after half term & Flu immunisation
Tuesday 15th November – Yr 6 to Crucial Crew
Sunday 27th November – Christmas Fair, 10:30am-2:30pm



News from North and South Cowton

Class 1

This week the children in class 1 have been exploring how music makes us feel. They have enjoyed dancing to Mars and Jupiter from The Planets by Holst.

During science, they have been investigating shadows. They explored shadow puppets and enjoyed spotting their own shadows in the playground.



Class 2

This week class two have been learning about The Water Cycle. We made our own model of The Water Cycle and explored the best conditions for evaporation and condensation. The children wrote their own explanation of The Water Cycle including key vocabulary.

Achievement: **Imogen** has written an imaginative and engaging dairy inspired by our English text- *Ug, Boy Genius of The Stone Age*.

Values: **Evan** is always kind to his classmates and has been heard offering words of encouragement and support to the other children many times this week.

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Those going to **Tag Rugby** on Tuesday will need a packed lunch and long trousers please as the competition is on Astroturf.

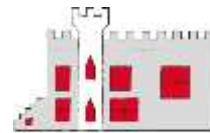
Harvest donations are being collected by Hambleton Foodshare so contributions of tinned/packet goods would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Dates for your Diaries

Friday 21st October – Harvest Festival 10am in the village hall.
School closes for half term
Monday 31st October – School opens
Monday 31st October – Class 1 to forest schools
Tuesday 8th November – Science transition for year 5
Thursday 10th November – Reception starter visits
Tuesday 15th November – Year 6 to Crucial Crew



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Join Us

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These open events give you the chance to meet the team, explore the building and ask any questions about starting school in September 23.

When?

Wednesday 9th Nov - 10:30am

Monday 21st Nov - 3:30pm

Wednesday 7th Dec - 1:30pm

Individual appointments also available by request



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK AN INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENT, CONTACT US ON:
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