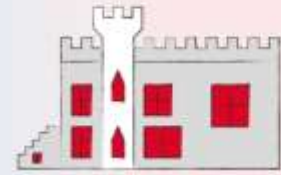




The Federation of North and South Cowton Community and Melsonby Methodist Primary Schools



Melsonby Methodist Primary School
Live Life in all its Fullness



North and South Cowton Community Primary School
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Friday 11th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been another busy week across the Federation with children involved in lots of different things.

Remembrance has been the theme in both schools and a useful time for the children to reflect on this. Developing their knowledge and understanding of the Royal British Legion and the meaning of the poppy has taken priority. Both schools have also joined many others in pausing for 2 minutes of silence at 11am today.

As we move forward to next week, we are really looking forward to seeing you (either in person in school or on-line) as part of our Parent Consultation meetings. If you have not yet booked in, please make sure you do by following the link that was shared (Melsonby only) or by calling the school office. The meetings are designed to find out about the progress your child is making and to look at how we can all work together to help your child reach their full potential.

With Christmas on the horizon, we are busy scheduling a range of activities and events for the children to take part in. Key dates will be shared soon and we look forward you to joining in the different elements.

As I communicated with the families at North & South Cowton, Mrs Hughes has been successfully appointed to a new administrative post at St Francis Xavier School and will leave us on Friday 18th November. We are very grateful to her for all of the work she has provided in both North & South Cowton and within the Federation. Her 20 years of service are truly remarkable and we wish her well with her new role.

One of my main area of focus over the last few weeks has been the digital footprint of the schools and I hope to introduce an updated Federation website as we move into the New Year. I have also been exploring the different avenues of social media and how both settings feature in the wider communities that they both serve. This is a very important platform and something I will share more about as we move forward so watch this space.

For now, have a great weekend (and keep your fingers crossed for the England Team in the Cricket final on Sunday!)

Ian Holt

Federation Notices and Dates

Be smart on the internet

S SAFE Keep safe by being careful not to give out personal information – such as your full name, email address, phone number, home address, photos or school name – to people you are chatting with online.

M MEETING Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Only do so with your parents or carers' permission, and even then only when they can be present.

A ACCEPTING Accepting emails, text messages or opening files, photos or contacts from people you don't know or trust can lead to problems – they may contain viruses or nasty messages.

R RELIABLE Information you find on the internet may not be true, so someone online may be lying about who they are.

T TELL Tell your parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone on a computer makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, or if you or someone you know is being bullied online. You can report online abuse to the police at www.childline.gov.uk.

www.kidSMART.org.uk

Use Childnet's KidSmart website to play interactive games and test your online safety knowledge. You can also check your favourite websites and online safety tips by seeing which ones people all recommend to be used.



News from Melsonby

Class 1

This week in class one we have been exploring the bravery and dedication of our Armed Forces who have fought in World War 1 and 2 and to those who continue to fight in the Line of Duty today. Hattie in Year 2 was really inspired and decided to create her own prayer which we read out in class. Thank you Hattie.



We would also like to thank Emily in Year 2, for bringing in her wonderful book called **'Where The Poppies Now Grow'** written by Hilary Robinson. What an inspiring and thought provoking book.

Achievement: **Daisy** for a fantastic attitude to her Maths learning this week.
Values: **Lily** for being a trustworthy and reliable friend.

Class 2

In Class 2 this week, we have been busy creating Missing posters for our beloved Varjak Paw - ninja cat. Whilst also starting our work on the Christmas nativity, which we are really excited to show you all.

Acheivement: **Maisie** for her effort and participation in Maths. Maisie has given her all and work through her challenges.

Deadlines and Reminders

A reminder that payments for the visit to the Pantomime are due by **today Friday 11th November**. If insufficient contributions are received the visit may not be able to go ahead. Thank you.

Dates for your Diaries

Tuesday 15th November – Yr 6 to Crucial Crew
Friday 18th November – Children in Need Day
Tuesday 22nd November – School Photographer
Sunday 27th November – Christmas Fair, 10:30am-2:30pm
Thursday 8th December – Whole School visit to the Pantomime



News from North and South Cowton

Class 1

This week we have been learning about Remembrance Day and why we wear poppies. Class 1 have produced some artwork inspired by poppies and began creating their own in the modelling area. Jamie has written a poem which he shared confidently at the cenotaph this morning.

Class 2

It has been a busy week in class 2! The girls in Y4, 5 and 6 represented the school when they played football against South Otterington at Northallerton Leisure Centre on Tuesday. Rose won an award for excellent. The children were commended for their sportsmanship and good conduct. Rose was awarded excellent values and Isabella won the trophy for most valuable player.



Year 5 went to Richmond School for a science transition morning on Tuesday. The children enjoyed their chemistry investigations and learning all about Bunsen burners. Evan impressed the science teacher with his knowledge of the scientific vocabulary oxidise and hypothesis.

Awards:

Isabella for always showing our school values. Isabella is an excellent role model and challenges herself to be the best version of herself.

Dennis for working hard on his maths learning and seeking out extra opportunities to practise in his play.

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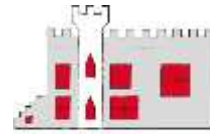
A reminder please that Parent Pay should be kept as up to date as possible. Thank you.
We will be holding a sponsored dance-a-thon in school for Children in Need next Friday. Children can wear non-uniform with a spotty theme for a small donation. Please ensure footwear is suitable for P.E.

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Friday 9th December - Reception new starter visits
Thursday 15th December – Xmas Jumper Day, Xmas lunch and Xmas party!



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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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