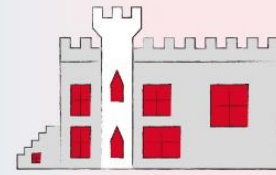




The Federation of North and South Cowton Community and Melsonby Methodist Primary Schools



Melsonby Methodist Primary School
Live Life in all its Fullness



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

Friday 27th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, sorry for the delay in getting this email to you. Friday was rather hectic!

Hopefully you are all now fully briefed about the Industrial Action and the impact this will have at both sites on Wednesday. If you do have any questions about it then please send an email via the admin address at each school and I will be able to respond.

NSPCC Number Day

On Friday 3rd February, both schools will be getting involved with the NSPCC Number Day event. All children are invited to come to school in non-uniform with some form of numbers on their clothes. Sports tops with numbers on are a good idea or maybe your child could make their own top at home. You do not need to go and buy anything new!

As this is for charity, we are asking the pupils to bring in some loose change for the day. They will use this in a creative way to design numbers/dates etc on the playground. At the end of the day, we will collect the loose change and share this as a donation to the NSPCC.

Safer Internet Day

Next Tuesday (7th Feb) is Safer Internet day and pupils across both settings will be undertaking various activities to raise their awareness of staying safe on-line. As adults, we are often caught up in daily life and can also be baffled by the rate at which technology moves on. The following link is a really useful site that supports parents in how they can support children with online issues. <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/support-us/listen-up-speak-up/>

Welcome to Miss Jenkins

Our new Admin and MSA based at North & South Cowton starts on Tuesday 31st January. She will be in school each morning so please do say hello to her. She will be overseeing the admin@ email address and no doubt you will be hearing from her over the coming weeks.

Lunch Money/Breakfast Club/After School Money

As we are fast approaching half term, please make sure you are up to date with any outstanding balances for lunch money, Breakfast Club or After School. We will be checking the balances later this week and chasing up any outstanding amounts.

Federation Notices and Dates

Year 6 SATs evening – Monday 30th January @ NSC 4:00pm – 4:45pm

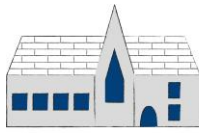
Small School Panathlon – Tuesday 31st January. Parents of pupils taking part were sent an e-mail earlier this week with further information.

NSPCC Number Day – Friday 3rd February

Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 7th February

February half term – Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February

Parents Evening – Tuesday 21st, Wednesday 22nd, Thursday 23rd March



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News from Class 1 at Melsonby

This week in **Geography**, we have been looking at the difference between **weather and climate**. We have looked at tropical, dry, mild, cold and polar climates.

We have also really enjoyed exploring the life of **Grace Darling** in our **History** learning this week. We tried to imagine being in Grace's shoes, helping her Father rescue all those people on the Forfarshire, a vessel travelling from Hull to Dundee, which was wrecked on the Farne Islands, off the coast of Northumberland in 1838.



What will we be learning next week?

Next week, we are looking forward to new learning in English, where we will be still looking at our text, Lila and the Secret of Rain. We have finished our story writing which we hope to share with you and are now focusing on Poetry - we are looking forward to getting creative and writing a simple free verse based on the story.

Pupil Recognition

Achievement award – **Leo** for writing his own version of the story 'Lila and the Secret of Rain' Leo internalized the story and made it his own. An Author in the making! Well done Leo!

Reminders

A reminder to wear PE kit every Monday and Thursday. We would love some more junk modelling. If anyone has any recyclable materials they can donate, it will be much appreciated. Thank you.

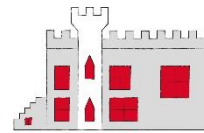
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This week Class 1 have been looking at the different ways we can keep our bodies healthy. We started by exploring different food types, what good hygiene looks like and the effects of exercise on our bodies. After lots of puffing and panting, the boys decided to make a tasty fruit salad to restore their energy levels in a healthy way! Good work boys.

The children have also enjoyed lots of role play activities this week, recreating life in the 1800s for Grace Darling as part of our History work and developing even more puppet shows in the making area. We've explored colour mixing in Art as we continue to look at the work of Monet, identifying the three primary colours and looking at light and dark shades.

What will we be learning next week?

Next week we will be looking at how to describe a setting as we continue our English text Iris and Isaac. We will use this opportunity to explore our own environment to identify signs of Winter, linking with our Geography and Science learning. Hopefully full of inspiration, we will be capturing what we have seen around us with our own landscape painting in the style of Monet.

Pupil Recognition

Achievement award - **Matthan** has continued to develop his writing skills this week, working hard and challenging himself to include capital letters, finger spaces and full stops in his sentences. Well done Matthan!

Reminders

The boys are modelling mad this half term – any bits of clean recycling such as cardboard boxes, plastics pots, bottles, etc. would be well received! Thank you.

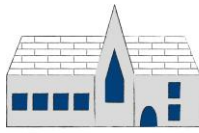
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News from Class 2 at Melsonby

This week we have been learning about different religious festivals that take place throughout the year. The children enjoyed exploring the origin of the Diwali festival and how it is celebrated by Hindus and Sikhs every year.

What will we be learning next week?

To continue our Science learning this term, next week we will be learning about what rocks make up the Earth and how rocks are formed.

Pupil Recognition

Achievement award – **Chad** for his constant positive attitude and the effort he puts into all his work. Chad constantly surprises me with the depth of his understanding and is always making myself and the other children smile with his input.

Values award – **Eddie** for his consistent effort, attitude to learning and willingness to try and try again, until it's the best it can be!

Reminders

Final call for tins for art lessons to create our very own Warhol inspired 'Campbell Soup' print work.

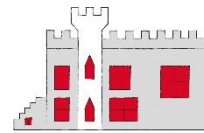
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In our English we have edited and improved our story endings. We really focused on the punctuation associated with dialogue. We started to look at newspaper reports and discussed the features, finding them in several examples.

In Maths we have all started new blocks of work. Year 4 are using what they know to work on length and measures. Year 5 are applying their times table skills to multiplying 4-digit numbers. Year 6 are linking what they know on their tables to help them calculate Ratios.

In Geography we looked at North America and learnt about some of the different countries that make up the continent. We learnt that the USA has 50 countries and began looking at the names of the different states. Ask your child if they can name any of the countries we identified on the map or the names of the states!

What will we be learning next week?

Next week we will be travelling back in time to plan our own newspaper reports linked to a serious incident that has taken place in Ancient Egypt. Look out for more news on this the week after!

In Maths we will continue to build on the work we have started this week.

Number Day – Friday 3rd February (both schools please) further Year 6 SATs meeting Monday 30th January

Pupil Recognition

Achievement award – This week I have chosen **Sophia** for her achievements in Maths. I have seen a difference in her approach this week and she has shown perseverance when completing her work, challenging herself at various points which has been pleasing to watch.

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