

NEWSLETTER

Our Vision

At Upper Nidderdale Primary Federation, we will all approach everything we do in the **CHAMPS** way, helping every child flourish into a caring, confident and resilient young person who has a love of learning and:

- Chooses the right way and takes responsibility for their own actions
- Is **H**onest in everything they do and shows compassion for others
- Achieves the best they can with the talents they have and develops their wisdom
- Shows good Manners to everyone and treats everyone with respect
- Perseveres when situations are difficult and shows courage when they are challenged
- Knows how to keep **S**afe on and offline, ensuring that everyone is kept physically and emotionally safe.

This shows the special relationship we have with each other, where as a community, we look after each other, keeping each other safe – **Koinonia**.



Message from the Headteacher

Another busy couple of weeks in school. The class sections show off some of the things that we have been up to...

Thank you to those of you who attended our Neurodiversity sessions this week. The sessions were very informal and provided an opportunity to find out a little more about Dyslexia and how we can help and support our children, ourselves as parents, and other family members. We were really lucky to have Kim Harris spend the afternoon with us talking about his own experiences and living with dyslexia. If you didn't manage to make the session, please do get in touch and we can share some details.



I did say that I would be counting down to Christmas with you, so as at the time of writing this, it is **38** days to go!

We have lots of things planned on the run up to Christmas, so please keep an eye on the calendar, and look out for texts from Admin to make sure you don't miss out. This is always a lovely time of year in schools for our children, families, community and staff.

Have a great weekend,

Miss Thornber and Team

This week at Glasshouses

Attendance:

If the winning class achieves over 98% attendance they qualify for a dress down day on Monday

Jade Class: 97.98% Amethyst Class: 97.79% Obsidian Class: 98.9%

The winning class this week is:

Obsidian Class

Article of the Week

Article 2 (non-discrimination) - The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background.

Amethyst Class



In Amethyst Class, we have been learning about non-fiction texts. In English we are writing to inform so we have been looking at information books about animals and labelling the sub-headings and diagrams. We have been reading non-fiction books to help us with our own non-fiction writing. We have learnt some really technical words like ectothermic, taxonomy, thorax and caecilian!

Jade Class

Our first two weeks have flown by! We have started our new Geography unit on our local area and the children have enjoyed learning about aerial images, maps and local features. The children in Reception have learnt in depth about number 6 and 7 and loved having their adult join them for our first 'learn with me' session. Year 1 have started their first nonfiction English unit on animas, consolidating our science work from last half term. We have looked at key vocabulary and features of a nonfiction text.

Obsidian Class

Obsidian have been very busy following the half term break. We have been learning all about non-fiction texts, especially information reports. We have used a non-fiction book about Skara Brae to pick apart the features and the language.

In maths, we have been learning about addition and subtraction and solving tricky multiple step problems.

In Geography, we have been studying the Alps, volcanoes and mountains.

Pupil Leadership Team News

Fundraising Team



<u>Children in Need – 17th November 2023</u>

The fundraising team met a few weeks ago and decided that for this year's Children in Need, we would have a non-uniform day, and that the children should learn about what Children in Need actually means.

Today, KS1 children have created posters about Children in Need and different ways to fundraise. In addition, KS2 have written some leaflets explaining the importance of fundraising and the effect that the money has on vulnerable children across the country.

We raised £46.00 from our Non-Uniform Day ©



NOTICEBOARD



Upper Nidderdale Primary Federation Nursery



Based at St Cuthbert's Primary,
Pateley Bridge

We welcome children from the age of three and we are an Early Entitlement registered setting (15-30 hours funding depending on your circumstances). For more information, ring the office at St Cuthbert's on 01423 711407.





Baby/Toddler Groups

Glasshouses

Every Friday 9:30 - 11:00 am

St Cuthbert's

Every Wednesday 9:30 - 11:00 am

Every Friday 1:30 - 3:30 pm

All groups run during term-time only

No charge, but donations towards refreshments appreciated





Late night opening for

FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER

Childrens Christmas Treasure Trail

Santa's Grotto - 5.30pm-7pm

Nidderlele Ukulele & Summerbridge & Dacre Silver Band

St Cuthbert's School Choir

Best Christmas Fancy Dress

Prize for under 12's drawn in The Crown at 7pm Prize for adult drawn in The Crown at 8.30pm

At Bridgehouse Gate
Auction Mart Cafe
open by Nidd Way Catering

AND Local stall holders

derdale Tannery, Bobbin & Ginger, Stonebeck Cheese, Brian Firth - local photographer



ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE / CANCELLATION



AUTUMN TERM (4 September – 22 December)	
2 nd HALF TERM – 7 weeks	SWIMMERS: Years 5 & 6
(6 Nov – 22 Dec)	
6 November	School starts – all children
11 November	Remembrance Day (Saturday) – laying wreath at Cenotaph
13 - 17 November	Anti-Bullying Week / Maths Week
13 November	Odd Socks Day
17 November	Children in Need
20 – 24 November	Road Safety Week
21 & 22 November	Years 3 & 4 Residential - Nell Bank
23 November	9am Flu Vaccines
24 November	World Science Day
24 November	12pm – Teddy Bears Picnic lunch
27 November	4-4:30pm (Years 5 & 6) East Barnby Residential Parents Meeting
29 November	8:15-8:45am Parent Breakfast with the children
6 December	School Christmas Dinner
7 December	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
8 December	PM – Give it Back, Mak! Riding Lights performance at STC
8 December	3:30-5pm PTFA Christmas Fair
12 December	AM Nativity (parents and community)
	PM Parent SEN Meetings
19 December	2:45-3:30pm Parents/Community Carols and Mince Pies
20 December	Class Christmas Parties
22 December	Winter Walk (weather permitting)
22 December	2:30 School Closes for Christmas to children

...and a first for the Federation...



The 'School of the Week' feature is at 7:35am

Safeguarding/Support

This week we have taken part in lessons for Anti-Bullying Week. The theme this year has been 'Make a Noise about Bullying.' The children have learnt about different types of bullying, including cyber bullying, and they have learnt about what to do if they are being bullied. We have also talked about bystanders and supporting a friend if they are being bullied. As a federation, we have a zero tolerance to bullying of any kind.

Below is a link to the Anti-Bullying Alliance website. In this section there is advice for parents and carers.

Advice for parents and carers (anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk)

PTFA Plea!

The PTFA are looking for a few more households to sign up for the 'living advent calendar'. Details below...

