



Fountains Earth NEWSLETTER

28th April 2023

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
- **A**chieves the best they can with the talents they have and develops their wisdom
- Shows good **M**anners to everyone and treats everyone with respect
- **P**erseveres 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

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff, Governors, Volunteers & Friends of the school,
Welcome back to the Summer Term!

We have all settled back into school well and, as always, been extremely busy in classes.

This half term, the CHAMPS value we are focussing on is Perseverance. Our Christian value is Courage.

The children have been visiting this value in our Collective Worship and in the classrooms. As I have visited classes, I can certainly see this value coming to life! It would be great to see the children share their achievements from outside of school - please do bring any awards to our celebration collective worship

We are looking forward to seeing you at our Coronation event on Friday lunchtime - fingers crossed for the weather!

Have a great week!

Miss Thornber and Team

This week at Fountains Earth

CHAMPS Values and Ethos

This Half Term our CHAMPS Value is:

Perseverance:

persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success:

By practicing perseverance, the children are trying their best to overcome challenges and succeed.

EYFS

We have been so busy this week and have enjoyed all our learning. We have continued to learn our new phonics sounds and using these skills in our reading. We have used the story of Jack and the Beanstalk to help us retell a story and also used it to develop our understanding of planting seeds. In maths we have looked at recognising and identifying the numbers between 10 and 12 learning how to make them and also sequence these numbers. In Re we have looked at different places of worship and in PSHE, we have looked at what makes a good friend.

Class

We've had a really busy first couple of weeks back in class after the Easter break. In English, we have started to look at our new text and have been building our skills up to write a balanced argument around the use of screen time and the influences on children.

In key stage one, we are looking a piece of persuasive text around an adventure park.

Within English, we are developing our use of punctuation, adjectives and sentence structure. In maths we are working on a variety of areas including arithmetic and angles, whilst year 6 are preparing well for their tests in a couple of weeks. We are also working really hard on our times tables and arithmetic skills and developing our speed with these. In the afternoons we have covered some amazing work in art looking at photography and building up a collage. We have also covered a lot of work on circuits in science.

Article of the Week – Article 20

Article 20 (children unable to live with their family) If a child cannot be looked after by their immediate family, the government must give them special protection and assistance. This includes making sure the child is provided with alternative care that is continuous and respects the child's culture, language and religion.

Christian Values

This half terms Christian Values is **Courage**

Courage is about us all being brave and showing courage in different ways.

It's not just about being brave if we are hurt or ill. It's also about showing courage when we try something new and when we need to bounce back when things go wrong. It's also being brave enough to stand up for what we know is right and being brave enough to be ourselves which might mean being different from others around us.

Attendance

95%

If school achieve over **98% attendance** they qualify for dress down day on Monday.

Safeguarding

Keeping Safe

This week we have had fire drills at all three of our schools. The children were excellent at all our drills, they know how to keep themselves safe and others and how to conduct themselves safely during a drill.

Next week we will be doing our lockdown practices at all our schools. The children have been part of these practices before as we practice termly to ensure that we all remember what to do in these circumstances.

Noticeboard

18 th April	School opens – All children
Monday 1 st May	May Day – School Closed
Friday 5 th May	Royal British Street Party at school 12-1 PM
Monday 8 th May	Bank Holiday – Kings Coronation (school closed)
9 th – 12 th May	SATs week (Year 6)
15 th – 19 th May	Mental Health Awareness Week
22 nd May	Walk to school week
Tuesday 23 rd May	Sports Day
Friday 26 th May	School Closes for half term (normal time)
HALF TERM	HALF TERM
Monday 5 th June	School opens
Tuesday 13 th June	Y5/6 Cricket Visit to Headingley
19 th – 23 rd June	Assessment Week (Year 2 & Year 6)
Thursday 22 nd June	Parent information meeting East Barnby at STC

All dates subject to change / cancellation

Upper Nidderdale Primary Federation Nursery



Based at St Cuthbert's Primary, Pateley Bridge

We welcome children from the age of 3 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.

***Ofsted** visited the setting in October 2022, commenting that 'the children benefit from wonderful provisions where they learn and play happily together'.*



Upper Nidderdale
Celebration
The coronation of
HM King Charles III
Saturday 6th May 2023 from 3pm
Lofthouse Cricket Ground

Sports & games
Dog show - registration from 4pm
BBQ, Pizza van, ice cream & refreshments
Cash bar & DJ until midnight

Admission free!

Cash donations to Yorkshire Air Ambulance
and Wharfedale Fell Rescue welcome