

# Fountains Earth NEWSLETTER

13<sup>th</sup> January 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:

- **C**hooses 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,

A very Happy New Year to you all. I do hope that you have managed to have a special time with family and friends over the Christmas break. It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school; they have settled brilliantly, despite being quite tired after a busy holiday for many!

Our CHAMPS value in focus this half term is 'ACHIEVEMENT' so we have been exploring the idea in our whole school assembly and Collective Worship. As we thought about our New Year's Resolutions, we have been reflecting on the CHAMPS values, which we can draw on to help us achieve our goals. It has been lovely to hear the children's aims! The children will be rewarded in Collective Worship.

Curriculum Information: You should have received a curriculum letter, homework grid (including spelling) and curriculum map from your child's Teacher. Please do have a read to get a flavour of what your child will be learning this term.

We have lots of things planned this term, including our 3<sup>rd</sup> Spotlight on the Curriculum session, Afternoon Tea and much more ...so please keep a look out for them on the calendar in the newsletter, and on our texts and emails. If you have any queries at all (however big or small) please do not hesitate to have a quick word with your child's class teacher at the beginning or end of the day, or with a member of the leadership team out on the playground at pick up and drop off. For a confidential meeting, or a longer meeting, please make an appointment with the school office.

Have a great weekend - whatever the weather brings!

**Miss Thornber and Team**

# This week at Fountains Earth

## CHAMPS Values and Ethos

This Half Term our CHAMPS Value is: 'ACHIEVEMENT'

"The act of achieving. Something achieved through hard work, courage, or skill."

**Spotted: Jess, Alex and Sam**

## EYFS

We have been so busy since the last newsletter. We have continued to work really hard on our phonics, learning many new sounds and recognising these in our reading. We have read a story called Goldilocks and the three bears and had a go at retelling them through acting and role play. In maths we have looked at recognising and identifying the numbers 5 and 6. Here we have used and developed the skill of recognising and using these around the classroom. We have also looked at the different animals that are around us looking at what they eat, where they live and putting this into a class book.

## Class

We have had first couple of weeks back after Christmas and have started to produce some amazing work. In English, we have started our new text. This is a non-fiction text looking at a holiday brochure. Through this, we have worked on developing our reading and grammar skills and using these in short pieces of writing. In maths we have started to look at fractions, including find and simplifying fractions. In the foundation subjects, we have started looking at self-portraits in art and properties of materials in science. We also enjoyed our first visit to the swimming pool.

## Article of the Week

Article 1 (definition of the child)

Everyone under the age of 18 has all the rights in the Convention.

## Attendance

**98%**

If school achieve over **97% attendance** they qualify for dress down day on Friday

## Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher Award

This week goes to.....

**Jess, Alex and Sam**

# Safeguarding

## Safeguarding

Our PSHE topic this half term is about learning to keep ourselves safe. We are looking at how to keep safe online. The children have been learning about keeping their personal information private and what to do if they see anything online that upsets or scares them.



## End of Day Collection

If there are any last-minute changes to end of day collection for your child, that you haven't mentioned to staff at the beginning of the day, please be aware that our telephone line is not monitored during the afternoon.

Please email [adminfe@uppernidderdalefed.school](mailto:adminfe@uppernidderdalefed.school) and the information can be sent to staff through our in-house information sharing system.

On Tuesday afternoons please email [admingh@uppernidderdalefed.school](mailto:admingh@uppernidderdalefed.school) and the information will be passed on in the same way.

When the children are at St Cuthbert's on a Friday you can email [adminfe@uppernidderdalefed.school](mailto:adminfe@uppernidderdalefed.school) or phone St Cuthbert's on 01423 711407.

Where possible please try to ensure you have passed on information and messages at morning drop off, or via email first thing, but we understand that sometimes unavoidable things crop up during the day.

# Noticeboard

Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	School opens
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Chinese New Year
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	FEL - Spotlight on Curriculum
6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> February	Children's Mental Health Week
8 <sup>th</sup> February	Young Voices – Sheffield arena
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes for half term
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	School opens

\*All dates subject to change / cancellation\*

## Swimming Lessons

The whole school will be swimming for the spring term on a Friday afternoon from 14.30-15.00 after Christmas. Lessons will run from Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March.

We will be travelling down to the pool on the coach. Children will need collecting from Nidderdale Pool at approximately 15.15-15.20.

Many thanks

## PATELEY BRIDGE FOOD BANK

If you are struggling financially then we can provide you with the essentials to tide you over.



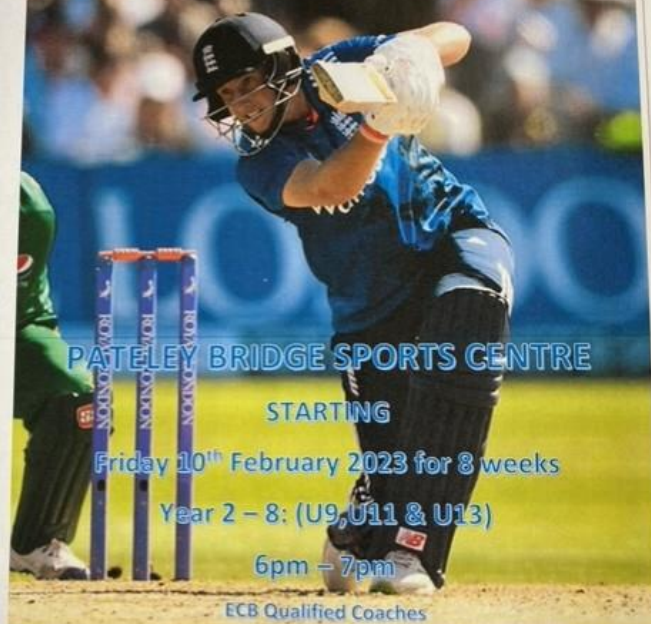
Open Monday to Thursday 10am – 3pm.  
Due to current restrictions, please telephone first  
on 07792419982.  
Email – horlix@aol.com.

*We are here for everyone, singles or families, if  
you're in receipt of benefits or not.  
Don't struggle alone – we're here to help.  
Confidentiality assured.*

Service provided and managed by The Church in the Dale.

## JUNIOR CRICKET COACHING

For Boys and Girls



PATELEY BRIDGE SPORTS CENTRE

STARTING

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023 for 8 weeks

Year 2 – 8: (U9, U11 & U13)

6pm – 7pm

ECB Qualified Coaches

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PATELEY BRIDGE CRICKET CLUB