



St Cuthbert's

# NEWSLETTER

May 2024



## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents, Carers, Volunteers & Friends

I cannot believe it is the end of Summer term 1!

We have had a very busy half term at St Cuthbert's (as always!).

As you know, the half term CHAMPS values have been Perseverance and Courage.

Over the half term, the children and staff come together from across the Federation to enjoy a story linked to our values every Monday.

It has been fabulous to hear the discussions in school about the values, how the children use these to help them in their everyday work and play.

Next half term, we will focus on the Value of Safety - keeping ourselves safe in school, home, online both mentally and physically.

Our value of Koinonia, of course, permeates everything we do.

Next half term is our last half term before the summer holidays.

This half term can be very busy which can become overwhelming for some children, parents (and the staff team). We will keep the timetable and routines the same as much as possible to help everyone feel calm and secure.

There are a few things coming up to note in your diary:

D Day service at Pateley War Memorial to commemorate the 80th anniversary. The Federation will be represented by our Year 6 children from both schools.

Sports Day....take 2! Fingers crossed for the weather, a number of class trips and residential and PTFA Summer Disco.

Our fabulous Admin team will remind you all through emails, texts etc.

### CHAMPS Values and Ethos

This Half Term our CHAMPS Value is

# PERSEVERANCE

### 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 **Honest** 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 **Safe** 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**.

### Monthly Attendance Summary for April 2024

**Diamond 1: 90.62%**

**Ruby 2: 94.56%**

**Emerald 3: 92.80%**

**Whole school: 92.66%**

### Christian Values

This half term our Christian Value is **courage**. We have read the bible story of David and Goliath and discussed the courage that was shown. We have also thought about times when we need to show courage and how we can be supported with this.

### Articles of the Month

Article 12 – I have the right to be listened to, and taken seriously.

Article 28 – I have the right to an education.

# Diamond Class

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There has been lots happening in Diamond Class this month!

Year One and Two have refined their artistic techniques including colour mixing, shading and adding texture to paintings. We have worked towards a final piece of a seaside scene through carefully planned small steps. After they had perfected their shades of yellow, orange, blue and brown they then added texture with materials such as sand, cotton wool, glitter and tissue paper. The end results speak for themselves!

In English Year One have completed their descriptive writing unit on settings such as forests and beaches! We have had the chance to practice description through spoken language and the children have thought up some fantastic vocabulary and phrases that they have weaved into their work.

Early Years have been busy taking their writing outdoors through labelling, creating lists and mud kitchen recipes. We have discovered a range of purposes for writing and have enjoyed using this in all manner of places. The warm weather has lent itself well to shelter building and investigating with binoculars!

Year One have taken on the skill of counting money in their maths learning. We have taken part in daily shop keeping to practice the skills of recognising coins and notes, counting money and comparing values! With all their practice they will be handy to have on your next shopping trip!

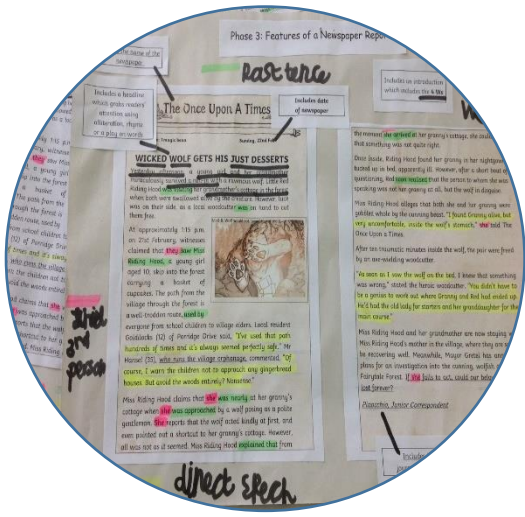
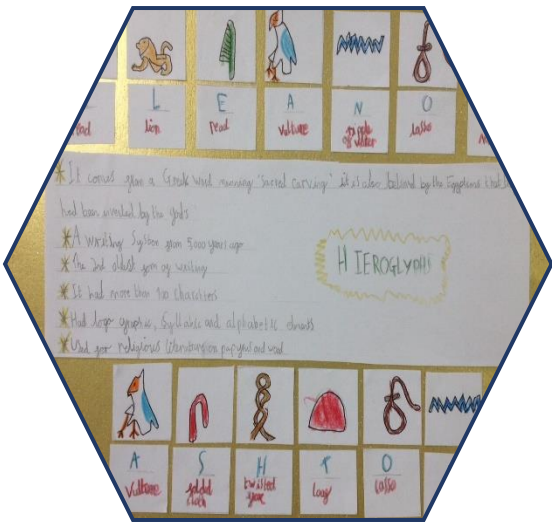
Early Years have been busy continuing their exploration of the composition of numbers up to 20. They have been ordering, comparing and counting all the way up to 20, spotting odds and evens along the way!

The whole of Diamond Class would also like to say a huge thank you to Year Four and Five who came to be our helpers and reading buddies during SATS week!



# Ruby Class

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It has been a busy month for Ruby Class, with some super learning taking place.

In Maths we have continued our theme of measures, investigating length and perimeter, measuring in metres, centimetres and millimetres.

In English we have centred our learning around the text 'The Paperbag Princess.' This is about a fearless, independent, smart, intrepid Princess and we have really enjoyed discussing this slant on a fairy tale.

We have written character descriptions, using our knowledge of expanded noun phrases and subordinate clauses. Our final piece of writing will be a newspaper report about the events in the story.

Year two have produced some wonderful artwork. They have focused on colour mixing, then added texture with a variety of different materials and medium.

Year three have loved finding out about and investigating life in Ancient Egypt. Some absolutely wonderful homework has been produced as a result of this learning in school.

Outside school the children in Ruby Class continue to be busy with activities and learning new skills. Being enrolled at Brownies, having learned the promise, horse riding skills, new book purchased and shared with us and some great music playing from the brass group and singing at the Royal Hall.

How exciting that the love of learning extends beyond the classroom.



# Emerald Class

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Emerald class began the month with a wonderful visit to the museum to consolidate our learning all about local history and what we can find out from our local census. The children were very interested to find out all about the Yorke family and their connection to 'Two Stoops'- which used to be three stoops!

We have been very lucky this half term to offer the children some very skilled cricket sessions from 'Chance to Shine' with expert coaches. These have been a great success and it has been lovely to watch the children choosing to play the games during their playtime.

In Art we have been creating relief sculptures to represent our memories of school and some of us have been designing Egyptian scrolls, which involved making our own paper.

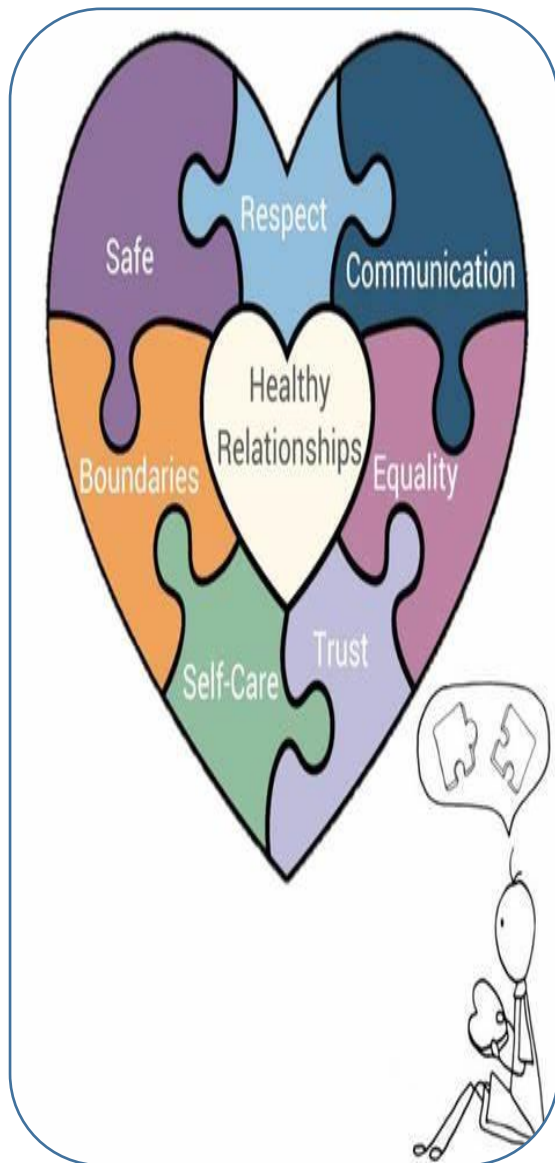
In Maths we have been studying angles and calculating the value of missing angles. We have also been looking at different types of charts and graphs to find the mean.

In English we completed our persuasive adverts to encourage people to stop the use of palm oil. We are now looking at the text structure and grammar in a suspense story and we are looking for to sharing our finished pieces with you.

Finally, a big well done to our Year 6 children who completed their SATS this month. They were Champs throughout showing wonderful perseverance. The rest of the class also showed such respect and support for their peers and encouraged them along the way. We are so proud of you all.



# Safeguarding



**After half term, we will be teaching about Healthy Relationships in PSHE. This is an important safeguarding subject.**

**Children will be taught about the features of a healthy relationship and what an unhealthy relationship might look like. As well as learning about healthy and unhealthy relationships, they will also learn about what to do if they, or someone they know, is in an unhealthy relationship.**

**These principles of healthy and unhealthy relationships also apply online. Children will learn about how to develop healthy relationships on and offline. Relationships Education also creates an opportunity to enable pupils to be taught about positive emotional and mental wellbeing, including how friendships can support mental wellbeing.**

**You will have received our Relationships, Health and Sex Education policy (with lesson plans) by email. There is a drop in at school for parents to ask any questions on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 3-3.30.**

## **Extra Curricular Clubs**

We are very fortunate to have a range of clubs on offer for our children and our wonderful volunteers who run them.

### **These are the clubs we have on offer:**

Monday- **Cycling Club will start Mon 3 June**

Tuesday – Chess Club (Mr S Edwards) – will run until half term – the last session will be 21<sup>st</sup> May

Wednesday – Lunch time Choir (Mrs Fearnley) Inclusive Sports (HTAFC) / Craft Club (Mrs M Wilson)

Thursday – Craft Club (Mrs M Wilson)

Friday – Sports Club (Mr J Hird)



## Community Give Back

### **Coming soon - our very first Working Bee!**

We are very excited as this a great opportunity for our community to give their time and skills to improve the environment for our children. Can you paint, weed, jet wash? Could you spare some time on Saturday June 8<sup>th</sup>?

We held one recently at Glasshouses and it was a lovely day. Seeing adults and children working alongside each other and having fun. We had so many comments saying how much they had enjoyed the day and what a great time the children had.

If you can help please let Mrs Lumley know.

We are very lucky to have many volunteers in school who give their time to enrich our children's school experience! A favourite visitor is Elke who spends time with children every fortnight. Thank you to Helen who facilitates this – a wonderful way to support well-being in school!

### **St Cuthbert's School 'Working Bees' Day**



Save the date!

Saturday 8th June 2024

10am – 4pm

Working together to improve our school's environment





# Pupil Leadership News



## Digital Leaders

Our digital leaders held a whole school assembly on treating our laptops and technology with respect. They have put packs together to keep our headphones and mice safe.



## Rights Respecting

We have been continuing our Road Safety campaigning. After a meeting with our local MP, we are now contacting the local council and planning to meet with the local councillor (Councillor Murday) to ask for practical help with reducing the speed limit around school.



## Sports Leaders

Sport Leaders have been busy planning for the Soccer Aid Charity event – it was a success last year and they are looking forward to the activities planned. More information coming next term.



## Wellbeing Leaders

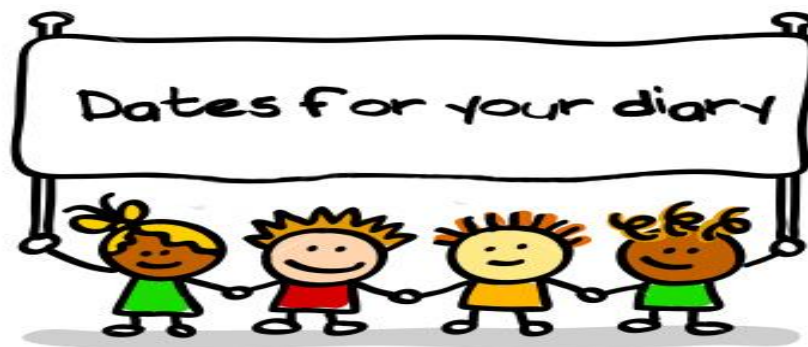
Our children are enjoying spending time with the guinea pigs Maple & Syrup – there were many volunteers wanting to take them home for the holidays.



## Collective Worship

Our Collective Worship Leaders have been looking at ways to promote spirituality in school. We have also been finding resources to bring spirituality outside.





\*All dates subject to change / cancellation\*- please note parents info session is now 3 July

Dates  
for  
your  
diary

SUMMER TERM (8 April – 22 July)	
24 May	School closes for half-term (normal time)
2 <sup>nd</sup> HALF TERM – 7 weeks (3 June – 22 July)	
3 June	School starts – all children
3 June	Reception 2024 New Starters Information Evening
6 June	Year 6 to the D Day Memorial 11am
8 June	St Cuthbert's Working Bee Day 10am-4pm
11 June	KS2 Countryside Day Trip
13 June	9am Parent's Breakfast
14 June	Federation Friday
17 – 21 June	Assessment Week
19 June	9:15am – 11:45am Reception 2024 Transition Morning
20 June	East Barnby Parent's Meeting
20 June	10am-2pm Diamond Class visit to Studfold Farm
26 June	Parent's SEN Meetings
26 June	PM – Yr6s attending Police 'Crucial Crew' session
27 June	9-9:30am Learn With Me Session (DT)
28 June	Sports Day
3 July	Year 6 High School transition day
3 July	1pm-6pm Parents Information Sessions / Reports to parents
5 July	PTFA Summer Disco (at St Cuthbert's)
8 - 10 July	Year 5 & 6 – East Barnby residential
10 July	Year 6 High School transition day – not attending if at residential
11 July	9:15am – 11:45am Reception 2024 Transition Morning
12 July	2:45-3:30pm Volunteer's Afternoon Tea
18 July	Year 6's Leavers' Assembly
19 July	3:30pm School closes for Summer
22 July	Staff Training Day – School closed to children

# NOTICEBOARD



Baby/Toddler Groups

Glasshouses

Every Friday 9:30 – 11:00 am

St Cuthbert's

Every Friday 1:30 – 3:30 pm

All groups run during term-time only

No charge, but donations towards refreshments appreciated



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.

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast and Afterschool club, Monday – Thursday, Friday breakfast club ONLY.

7.45am – 8.45am and 3.30pm-5.30pm

Email

parentinfo@uppernidderdalefed.school

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## 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.  
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