



# 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:

- **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

Yet another busy couple of weeks at all schools across the federation, and this is set to continue on the run up to Christmas. Please do keep your eye on the diary section of the newsletter, letters, emails and texts, for more information about the exciting things we have planned.

I can't believe that we break up for Christmas 3 weeks today – where has this year gone?

Next week, all children who have received the Headteacher Award this term will be joining me for 'Hot Chocolate with the Head' – yum ☺ I think I look forward to it as much as the children...

With the onset of the autumn/winter weather, please ensure that your children come to school dressed in suitable footwear and a warm coat. We do try to make sure that they get outside to play unless it really is 'chucking it down', so it is important that they are dressed for the occasion. Thank you.

Finally, I would like to share with you how proud I am of all the staff and children at all three schools in the federation. As you will no doubt be aware, Ofsted have been into all three schools this year, and I was finally able to share the latest outcome with all staff at our Staff Meeting last Friday – St Cuthbert's has been judged a 'Good School' too, making it a 'hat trick' for the federation in 2022.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the World Cup if you are a football fan!

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

Class 1: 95.41%

Class 2: 96.3%

Class 3: 91.46%

The winning class this week is: Class 2

## Article of the Week

**Article 1 - everyone has rights!**

For the purposes of the present Convention, a child means every human being below the age of 18 years unless under the law applicable to the child, majority is attained earlier.

## Class 1

Well done Class 1 for another fabulous few weeks!

The children in Reception have been learning all about number 3 and 4. This week they have been completing different challenges using sugar cubes and marshmallows to make towers of 4 for the Three Little Pigs. I wonder if they can tell you how they did it?

Year 1 have been busy writing their 'remixed' version of The Three Little Pigs. I am so proud of the progress they have made with their writing. They are also coming to the end of their science topic for this half term. This week they have specifically been learning about different animal groups. We looked at a life size drawing of a crocodile and added scales to make it look more realistic! The children were amazed at its size!

## Class 2

In Class 2 we have finished writing the narratives based on The Magic Paintbrush and started learning all the new grammar skills to help us with our next piece: a funny poem. In maths we've been using our number bonds to ten to help us with lots of different ways of adding and subtracting. We have also been challenging ourselves with our times tables. A few minutes of Times Tables Rock Stars at home will be a great way to support learning in class.

## Class 3

Class 3 have worked so hard recently - well done!

In English, we have developed fantastic stories about being taken away to a wonderful place. The detail and the high level vocabulary is superb.

In maths, we have built our knowledge of multiples, primes and factors.

In Science, we have focused on life cycles of mammals. Did you know there are two mammals that lay eggs?

# NOTICEBOARD

Thank you!

Thank you to Mrs Milner who has kindly donated some footballs to the school. They have already been used at playtimes and the children are very happy with them.

Put a date in your diary!

9 December 3:30-5pm

PTFA Christmas Fair

There will be something for all the family ☺

If anyone is able to donate any of the following items, they can be left at the office from Monday

- Bottles of any kind and chocolate of any size for the tombolas
- Cakes/ mince pies for refreshments
- Items to go in a hamper/ Christmas goody bag for the raffle
- Vouchers for local businesses if anyone has a connection
- Nearly new toys, games and books
- Spare Christmas craft supplies

Free Christmas-themed workshops for KS1 & KS2 Families

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 10:30-12:00 & 12:30-14:00 and

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 10:30-12:00 & 12:30-2



To book: [lauren.evans@dogtrust.org.uk](mailto:lauren.evans@dogtrust.org.uk)



**Little Champs Toddler Group**

**Starts**

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

**9:30 – 11:00 am**

**(and then weekly, every Friday during term-time)**

**Come along to our fabulous school and enjoy time socialising with other parents whilst your children play in a safe, caring environment**

**No charge, but donations towards refreshments appreciated**

**Tel: 01423 711440 for more information**

**We look forward to welcoming you**





AUTUMN TERM (6 September – 16 December)	
2 <sup>nd</sup> HALF TERM – 7 weeks (31 Oct – 16 Dec)	SWIMMERS: Years 5 & 6
31 October	School starts – all children
10 November	World Science Day
10 November	9am Bag2School Collection
11 November	RBL Remembrance Service Pateley (school representation)
14 - 18 November	Anti-Bullying Week / Road Safety Week / Maths Week
18 November	Children in Need
21 November	1pm Flu Immunisation Programme (whole school)
28 November – 2 December	Assessment Week (Year 2 and Year 6)
1 December	2-3pm Pantomime 'Nearly the Goat' at St Cuthbert's
8 December	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
9 December	PTFA Christmas Fair (3:30-5pm)
12 December	Early Years/KS1 Christmas Play – time to be confirmed
14 December	School Christmas Lunch
15 December	Class Christmas Parties
16 December	Winter Walk (weather permitting)
16 December	2:30 School Closes for Christmas to children

Dates  
for your  
diary

### Safeguarding

As it is getting darker earlier and earlier, we are encouraging children to make sure that they can be seen when they are out and about. You may wish to check out this website that sells reflective armbands, zip tags etc:

<https://brightkidz.co.uk/shop/>

5 top tips on how to  
**BE BRIGHT & BE SEEN**

- 1 Brightly coloured or fluorescent clothing shows up well in daylight and at dusk when you're heading to and from school.
- 2 If you're out and about when it's dark, wear reflective gear to make sure you can be seen in car headlights. Reflective vests, sashes or wristbands work well. Remember, fluorescent clothing doesn't work after dark!
- 3 Don't forget to accessorise! Even small items such as clip-on reflectors, armbands and stickers on your outfit or school bag are a great way to improve your visibility.
- 4 If you like to cycle, remember that it's the law to have clean and working lights at night (white at the front, red at the back), as well as a rear reflector. It's good to fit spoke reflectors too.
- 5 Of course, 'Being Bright' isn't the only way to stay safer. If you're out at night, choose routes and crossing places that are well lit and remember to always use the Green Cross Code.

For more road safety tips, games and videos, visit the Tales of the Road website at [www.direct.gov.uk/talesoftheroad](http://www.direct.gov.uk/talesoftheroad)

**Be Bright, Be Seen** **THINK**