



St Cuthbert's

# NEWSLETTER

17<sup>th</sup> November 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 **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**.

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers

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 St Cuthbert's

### Diamond Class

Diamond Class have been excellent geographers this week!

We have been answering the question 'What is it like here?' by exploring our immediate environment as well as our local area. We have created our own maps using features and keys to ensure they can be read by others. We then tested them out in our playground following the directions on the map!



### Ruby Class

We had a great Learn with Me maths session focusing on multiplication. The Year 2 children made arrays and the Year 4 children used Numicon to make the 4 times table.

Ruby Class also really enjoyed their Commando Joe session this week which focused on listening skills.



### Emerald Class

We have completed our flashback stories this week. The children have used their skills of drafting and editing to publish the best piece of writing that they can.

It was lovely to have parents join us for our first 'Learn with me' session this morning. We hope you enjoyed watching how the children learn their multiplication facts.



So, you have joined me. Lucky you. You are now going to hear a thrilling and unique tale, the likes of which you have never heard before. Take a seat, sit as sturdy as you possibly can, but be prepared- you'll soon be sitting on the edge of it...

Not too long ago, I was trying out a new type of beachcombing- swimming. I was just splashing about finding all sorts; sea glass, seashells, you name it. Suddenly, a shadow cast over me; I was under the pier. Under there I could see my richness on the sandy sea floor. That's when I saw the thing.

It was a peculiar thing, like a ring with legs. I took it to the shore and commanded, "wait." It seemed to understand me. I got some shells and we went home. Long story short, my parents did not agree. Crab-ring flinched. Sadly, crab-ring made a burrow. I looked in the newspaper, only sweet-smelling trousers. I flopped onto my bed, feeling helpless. My last thought before falling asleep was, *at least the thing has a home.*

The next day, we went up onto a temple on the hill. It looked beautiful. When we got there, we played around for the rest of the day. But finally, we found a trapdoor. When I opened it another 5 crab-rings scuttled out! He was united with family again. I went home, happy but I still sometimes visit them...

**The end**

### Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher Award

**Diamond Class:** Last week Henry achieved the Head Teacher award for his positivity and enthusiasm joining our school!

**Ruby Class:** This week the Headteacher Award is for Izzy for working so hard, especially in maths and really challenging herself.

**Emerald Class:** Last week, Ollie and George received the Headteacher award for starting St Cuthbert's school with such enthusiasm and embracing our CHAMP values so well. This week the Headteacher award is being awarded to Lillie Mae and Lilly for representing the school so respectfully at the Remembrance Service.

### CHAMPS Values and Ethos

This Half Term our CHAMPS Value is – Honesty

#### **Spotted:**

**Diamond Class:** – Last week our CHAMP was Jessie for her excellent understanding of Honesty.

**Ruby Class:** – Makayla for noticing our new value straightaway and being able to explain what Honesty means.

**Emerald Class:** – Last week, Richard wowed us with his superb contributions in English when drafting his story. He embraced the writing style fully and wrote with flair!

### Christian Values

This half terms Christian Values is:

#### **COMPASSION**

We will be helping the children to understand this value and show it towards each other.

Christians believe that their attitudes and actions must reflect the kindness, mercy and compassion of Jesus and the love of God for everyone.

### Attendance

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

**Diamond 1: 92.44%**

**Ruby 2: 87.94%**

**Emerald 3: 96.65%**

**Whole school: 92.41%**

**No class achieved over 98% this week**

## Safeguarding

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 \(anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk\)](https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk)



### [Advice for parents and carers](https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk)

If your child is being bullied, our information can help you stay calm and take the right action.

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## Pupil Leadership News

The Fundraising team have met to plan our Children in Need activities this week!  
We will be delivering a special collective worship and raising awareness.

# Calendar

AUTUMN TERM (4 September – 22 December)	
27 October	School closes for half-term (normal time)
2 <sup>nd</sup> HALF TERM – 7 weeks (6 Nov – 22 Dec)	SWIMMERS: Years 5 & 6 – EVERY MONDAY
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
14 November	Neurodiversity Session 1.30-2.30pm
15 November	Spotlight on the curriculum 9am – Maths and Multiplication
17 November	Children in Need
20 – 24 November	Road Safety Week
21 & 22 November	Years 3 & 4 Residential - Nell Bank
24 November	World Science Day
27 <sup>th</sup> November	(Years 5 & 6) East Barnby Residential Parents Meeting 4-4.30pm at Glasshouses School
28 November	9.00-9.30am Parent Breakfast with the children
30 November	3.30pm PTFA Tuck Shop and Jumper Swap
6 December	School Christmas Dinner
7 December	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
8 December	Choir singing at late night shopping in High Street at 5.30pm
11 December	Santa Visit to school
12 December	Community Carols & mince pies 2.45-3.30pm
14 December	AM Nativity (parents and community) PM Parent SEN Meetings
20 December	Class Christmas Parties
21 December	Winter Walk (weather permitting)
22 December	3:30 School Closes for Christmas to children

\*All dates subject to change / cancellation\*

## Facebook

Don't forget to like our Facebook pages so you can see lots of the wonderful learning your children are taking part in each day.

## Brimhams Active

Listen out for the radio adverts whilst you are swimming at the Nidderdale, Ripon & Harrogate pools (Knaresborough when it opens!)

Some of our children did parts of the voice overs to advertise our fabulous schools!

# NOTICEBOARD



**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**

## **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

## **Parents Breakfast**

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

**9.00-9.30am**

**In the school hall**

**Please send your slip to the office to let us know you are coming**



  
Late night opening for  
**Christmas Shopping**  
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**

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

**Dacre, Son & Hartley**  
20 Yorkshire Offices

## 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.