



St Cuthbert's

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:

- **C**hooses the right way and takes responsibility for their own actions
- **I**s **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 Worships and in the classrooms. As I have visited classes, I can certainly see this value coming to life!

It is always lovely to see and hear about the children's achievements outside of school and this half term the children have shared their certificates in class and Collective Worship which highlight their perseverance. We have seen swimming awards, gymnastic awards, karate, cub scout awards to name a few 😊.

Thank you to everybody who completed the parent survey just before the holiday. Because our parent community / school relationship is strong, we are able to address any concerns immediately; this certainly came out in the comments we received. Please see the section later in the newsletter, which gives more information about how your feedback has been taken on board and incorporated into our future plans.

Have a great week!

Miss Thornber and Team

This week at St Cuthbert's

Last term all the children wrote a prayer for the King's Coronation. A few of our children's prayers have been selected to be shared in a special exhibition at Ripon Cathedral. We are very proud of them. The exhibition runs from Friday 28th April to Friday 12th May if you would like to go and find them.



Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher Award

Class 1: Arwa and Ruby for all their hard work and perseverance!

Class 2: Last week, Harry received the Headteacher's award for always carefully and sensitively considering his choices thinking about how they impact himself and others. This week, Isabella received the Headteacher's award for her superb recall this week in Maths. She remembered her previous learning to help her with the next lesson using superb mathematical vocabulary.

Class 3: The hot chocolate with the head award goes to Samuel!

Class 1

Nursery and Reception children have been enjoying time in the outdoor area. They had a visit from the Eco Team to help them plant! Year One have been busy conducting static electricity experiments!

Class 2

Class 2 have had a superb start back to the new term. We have been busy writing recounts about our Federation Friday and learning about how to find fractions of amounts. We have particularly enjoyed thinking about how we can conduct a fair test in our new electricity topic in Science when observing the effects of static electricity.

Class 3

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. 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.

Attendance

If the winning class achieves over 98% attendance they qualify for dress down day (2nd May)

Class 1: 97%

Class 2: 99%

Class 3: 94%

Article of the Week

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.



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.

Spotted:

Class 1 – Tommy is persevering with his handwriting in all areas of his work.

Class 2 - *Richard has shown super achievement in his phonics this week. He used his phonic knowledge to help him decode long, unfamiliar words beautifully.*

Class 3 - Oscar and Kianna

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.

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.

Parent Survey

We would particularly like to share the following feedback and comments:

'Spotlight on the Curriculum' sessions for parents were very highly praised. These sessions are an opportunity for parents to see the curriculum areas in action, following a presentation by the subject leaders, and to see what children do in classes. Parents valued these highly as often when children are asked what they did at school during the day, the response was "nothing"!! The next session for this half term will have a focus on PSHE and Science. Look out for more information on this shortly.

Parent Information Sessions are now held three times a year to allow more opportunity for parents/carers to have a formal discussion with the class teacher about children's progress. There is a requirement for schools to hold one parent information session per year, but we feel that it is extremely important for you to have regular opportunities to discuss your child's progress. The final session for the year will coincide with the issue of the annual school reports, and will be an opportunity for you to discuss them.

Variety/number of extra-curricular clubs – as you all know, we are always looking at how we can improve to ensure that our pupils are receiving the very best experiences and education, do following your comments, we are looking at the following for September:

Additional clubs for all age groups. Our staff run most of our clubs voluntarily. In order to offer more clubs, as suggested, ***we would be grateful if you could let us know if you would be willing to volunteer to run a club yourself*** (a couple of parents have already come forward ☺).

Homework expectations – Every family has a different view on this, although we have had some extremely positive comments on the current homework format; in particular, the reading/phonics/times-tables daily homework that runs alongside the children's project work. We will continue to seek parent's views on this and review it accordingly.

School development progress – At this time of year, we review our progress and look towards the next academic year. All staff are involved in this process. We will be scheduling a similar session for parents/carers to attend during the final half term of this school year. Details will be shared with you later this half term.

Thank you again for your continued support of the school and its staff.

Miss Thornber

Noticeboard



Baby/Toddler Groups

Glasshouses

Every Friday during term-time

9:30 – 11:00 am

St Cuthbert's

Every Wednesday & Thursday during term-time

9:30 – 11:00 am

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 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'.

Calendar

Monday 1 st May	May Day – School Closed
Friday 5 th May	Royal British Street Party at school 1.30-2.30 PM
Monday 8 th May	Bank Holiday – Kings Coronation (school closed)
9 th – 12 th May	SATs week (Year 6)
Monday 15 th May	Class 1 Trip to Studfold
15 th – 19 th May	Mental Health Awareness Week
Thursday 18 th May	Information session for Reception 2023 Cohort 3.45 PM
Friday 19 th May	Reception 2023 Cohort Stay and Play 2-3 PM
22 nd May	Walk to school week
Wednesday 24 th 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
Tuesday 13 th June	Reception 2023 Cohort Stay and Play 2-3 PM
19 th – 23 rd June	Assessment Week (Year 2 & Year 6)
Thursday 22 nd June	Parent information meeting East Barnby at STC
Thursday 29 th June	9.15-11.45 Reception 2023 Transition Morning
Thursday 29 th June	Shuffle-up Day (Reception- Year 5)

 **North Yorkshire**
County Council




Children and Young People's Service

School Term and Holiday Dates 2022/23

	AUGUST 2022	SEPTEMBER 2022	OCTOBER 2022	NOVEMBER 2022	DECEMBER 2022	JANUARY 2023
Monday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Tuesday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24 31
Wednesday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
Thursday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Friday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Saturday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Sunday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29

	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2023	APRIL 2023	MAY 2023	JUNE 2023	JULY 2023
Monday	6 13 20 27	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31
Tuesday	7 14 21 28	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25
Wednesday	1 8 15 22	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26
Thursday	2 9 16 23	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
Friday	3 10 17 24	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
Saturday	4 11 18 25	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29
Sunday	5 12 19 26	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30

Pupils must be taught for a minimum of 190 days. The number of term days shown is 192.
 Three recommended professional development (PD) days for teaching staff have also been highlighted;
 pupils will not attend school on these days.
 Schools will need to identify a further two PD days from the calendar. Please could you send your remaining two PD days to
 the Education Office, Harrogate via email schoolwelfare@northyorks.gov.uk when you have agreed them.

 Bank Holiday
 School Holiday
 Professional development/training days

All dates subject to change / cancellation

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.



Upper Midderdale 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

Breakfast Club

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

7.45am – 8.45am and 3.30pm-5.30pm

Email BASC@uppermidderdalefed.school