



St Cuthbert's

# NEWSLETTER

27<sup>th</sup> October 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

As the half term draws to a close, I wanted to take this opportunity to look back at the half term's achievements.

The term started positively in September with our new Reception children being welcomed into the St Cuthbert's family...they settled in very quickly and were CHAMPS before we knew it 😊.

We also welcomed our new families to Nursery and Years 2, 4 and 5.

The children from each school took part in the first Federation Friday day for this academic year. It is wonderful to see the children working together from across the Federation on these days.

The Federation enjoyed a day at the Nidderdale Show for the first time. It was great to be part of the community and represent our Federation. Thank you to those parents who helped to make this a success - and get up early on a Sunday to help transport the display boards! 😊

We welcomed prospective families to our schools during the Open Day sessions. Our children were true CHAMPS and helped show the families around explaining why our school is a great place to be. We enjoyed our Harvest Service last week. It was lovely to see so many families there and so many donations to the foodbank.

The children started the sessions with Commando Jo through our Resilience curriculum; they have been learning about the growth mindset character Romeo Resilience and how this can be transferred to various situations in school.

We have held various parent information sessions, including internet safety, how to recognise signs of choking and how to deal with this. There will be more next half term - keep an eye out for the dates.....

We have had quite a busy half term!

Next half term, we head into winter and we will start our preparations for Christmas...Christmas Day is in 63 days! (at the time of writing).

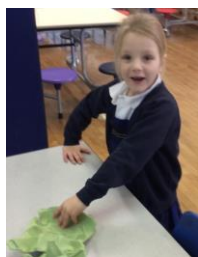
As always, there will be a Designated Safeguarding Lead available during the holidays and can be contacted on [dsl@uppernidderdalefed.school](mailto:dsl@uppernidderdalefed.school) In addition, if you have a concern about the welfare of a pupil outside of school term-time/ the school day, the number to use to make a referral to the Emergency Duty Team is 0300 131 2 131 or by seeking advice from the Local Authority Designated Officer: Susan Crawford on 07813 005161

## This week at St Cuthbert's

### Diamond Class

Diamond Class enjoyed a positive visit from Commando Jo this week! We kept up our positivity for Humpty Dumpty as we tracked down the suspect that led to his downfall!

We have also been loving our class story Isaac and Isaac producing some beautiful collages and paintings to use as the setting.



### Ruby Class

Ruby Class wrote and performed a Harvest Poem in our Harvest Festival. We enjoyed finding adjectives for the expanded noun phrases in our poem. We have focused on the Unicef Rights of the Child book 'For Every Child' this week and have made our own version of the book for our classroom.

We had our Commando Jo session this week and enjoyed making stretchers for teddy bears!



### **Emerald Class**

Emerald class have been enjoying looking at our second book in English lessons called 'The Lost Thing.' They have been making predictions and have begun to look at the structure of the story discussing the people, places, problem, panic and peace. In Maths we have used our knowledge of place value to begin adding and subtracting. We are really impressed with how confident they are with adding any 4 or 5 digit numbers. We will next be moving on to multiplication and if your child could continue to work on Times Tables Rockstars at home that would be really helpful. In Art, we've been exploring South American Art. We analysed South American art and discussed what techniques were used and what we liked and disliked. We used different materials to make our own painting tools and evaluated them.



### **Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher Award**

Diamond Class: Fleur achieved the Headteacher Award this week for her outstanding knowledge and understanding of the class story, and using the vocabulary to teach Miss Thornber all about it!

Ruby Class: Eleanor

Emerald: Amber for her wonderful attitude toward learning and always making the right choices.

### **CHAMPS Values and Ethos**

This Half Term our CHAMPS Value is – Choices

We have had a big focus in school this week about

#### ***Spotted:***

Diamond – Mariam for making the good choices of always using her manners and taking pride in her learning.

Ruby – Arthur who always makes good choices and is trying very hard with his learning.

Emerald – William who has made amazing choices all week to focus and concentrate on his learning and be the best he can be.

### **Choir**

Well done to St Cuthbert's Choir who sang beautifully in the Harvest Festival. After four rehearsals they managed a song in four parts!

### **Christian Values**

This half terms Christian Values is:

#### **RESPONSIBILITY**

The children are learning the importance of taking responsibility for their own choices and actions.

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## Attendance

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

**Diamond 1: 90.12%**

**Ruby 2: 91.04%**

**Emerald 3: 92.55%**

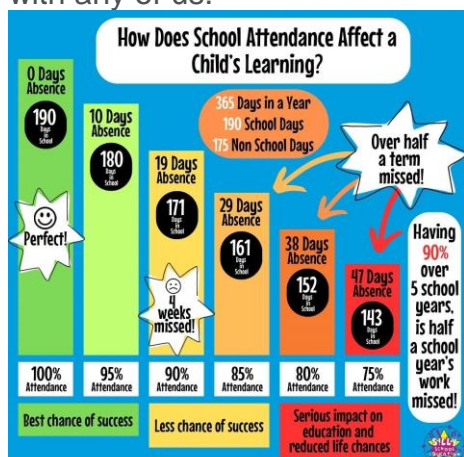
**Whole school: 91.25%**

**There was no class that achieved over 98% this week**

# Safeguarding

As you know, we promote good attendance at school. It is obviously important for achieving academically, but attendance can also be a red flag for safeguarding issues. As you know, we monitor the attendance of every child, and if attendance falls below 90% (known as Persistent Absenteeism), this means that school will contact the family to offer support to improve attendance.

Our Attendance Team is made up of Mrs. Wilkinson, Mrs Fearnley and Mrs Haneskog. If you feel that you need any support with attendance, please do not hesitate to get in touch with any of us.



# Pupil Leadership News

Thank you to our wonderful Collective Worship committee who planned and delivered a lovely Harvest celebration for us all last week.

# 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
10 November	9am Remembrance Assembly with Chris Thompson
11 November	Remembrance Day (Saturday) – laying wreath at Cenotaph
13 November	YGAM session online safety Gambling & Gaming 3.45-5.00pm
13 - 17 November	Anti-Bullying Week / Maths Week
13 November	Odd Socks Day
14 November	(Years 5 & 6) East Barnby Residential Parents Meeting (time TBC)
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
28 November	9.00-9.30am Parent Breakfast with the children
6 December	School Christmas Dinner
7 December	Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children)
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

## 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.

The logo for the Upper Nidderdale Scout Group, featuring a fleur-de-lis and the text 'Scouts Upper Nidderdale Scout Group'.

**SAT  
4  
NOV**

A vibrant display of fireworks exploding in a dark night sky, with streaks of light in various colors.

**Pateley Bridge Bonfire &  
FIREWORKS**

**PATELEY SHOWGROUND 6PM**  
*Entry By Donation*

**Torchlit Procession & Bonfire 6.30pm**  
**Fireworks 7pm**

**FREE TO ENTER BEST GUY COMPETITION**

**PULLED PORK : HOT DOGS : S'MORES**

ORGANISED BY UPPER NIDDERDALE SCOUT GROUP  
By kind permission of the Nidderdale Agricultural Society

**SORRY NO SPARKLERS ALLOWED**