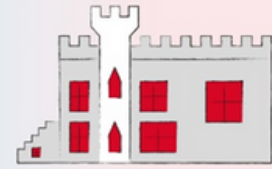




The Federation of North and South Cowton Community and Melsonby Methodist Primary Schools



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Friday 9th February 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week is Children's Mental Health Week and Safer Internet Day and as part of this, we spent some time on Tuesday talking about the importance of staying safe online. The theme for this year is **'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'**. We were really impressed with the children's knowledge that they shared around keeping themselves safe online.

As part of Children's Mental Health week, 'Place2Be' have created resources to support parents and carers at home. Please see attached to the newsletter some 'Top tips for families' to support your child's Mental Health at home.

It has been a very busy start to the year but as always the children have worked incredibly hard this term and we were able to celebrate their achievements with our celebration awards. A huge well done to everyone who received an award this term!

We hope you all have a lovely half term and look forward to seeing everyone on Monday 19th February.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Robinson



Federation Notices

Following our first term of Federation Tuesdays, we have taken some feedback from parents and carers and would like to offer an opportunity for our North and South Cowton parents and carers to come over to Melsonby to visit the school and meet the staff on Tuesday 5th March. If you are unable to make this date, but would like to look around the school, please let Mrs Robinson or Mrs Bamma know and we can arrange an alternative time for you to visit.

Parents Evenings

Book via Arbor

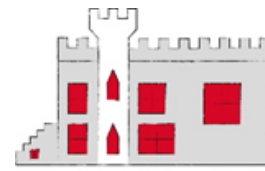
Thank you to all those who have booked their slots already. If you need any assistance booking in, please speak with Miss Jenkins or Miss Rush.



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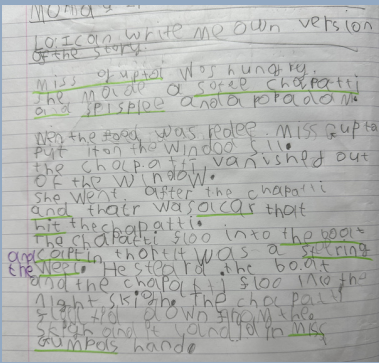


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News

**How have we
'Lived Life in all its Fullness' this
week?**

Class 1 recently finished their retelling of the story Chapatti Moon. We loved the versions that they created!



Class 2 have been busy this week in Dance, creating their own routines that had to include specific movements such as bouncing and swaying. They gave each other constructive feedback to help improve each others routines.

Deadlines and Reminders

- P.E Days for Class 1 are on a Tuesday and a Thursday
- P.E days for class 2 are on a Tuesday and a Wednesday.
- If you pay for your child's school meals, please can you login to Arbor and make payments if required.
- A reminder for anyone on the residential to London to please ensure payments are up to date.

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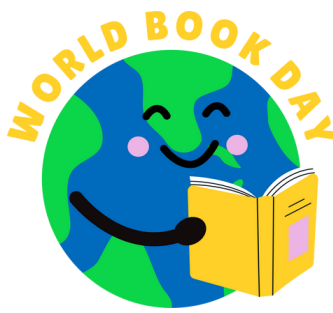
KS1 and KS2 have been really enjoying their computing learning, especially in the last few weeks now that they have been able to use their new Chromebooks.



KS1 children have been making their own pop-up Mosques this week, sharing what they know about places of Worship and what they are made up of.

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- P.E Days are on a Tuesday and a Friday.
- Homework is due in on a WEDNESDAY please.
- KS2 Reading Records have been updated to highlight which words that children can spell. Please support them in learning the un-highlighted words to strengthen their written work.
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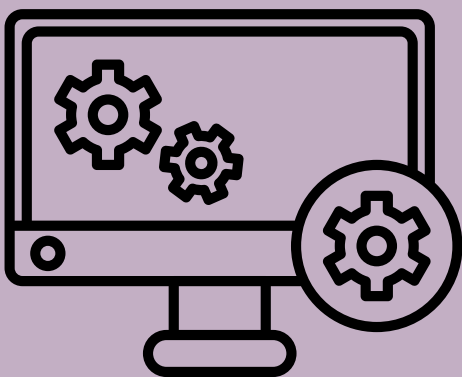
World Book Day - Tuesday 5th March

As a Federation we will be celebrating World Book Day on Tuesday 5th March. We would like to invite all the children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. As part of the activities throughout the day we will spend some time looking at who the children have come as so they will need to bring their favourite book with them.

All parents and carers are invited into Melsonby from 2pm - 2:45pm to share books with their child/ren. NSC parents/carers are welcome to take their child/ren home after 2:45pm. If parents or carers would like a tour of the school, there will be opportunities between 2-5pm with Mrs Bamma.

We would also like to invite the children to send us a photograph of them reading in an unusual place. These photographs will be shared in our assembly on Tuesday 5th. Please can any photos be emailed to your schools admin by Friday 1st March to allow time to put them into one file ready to share.

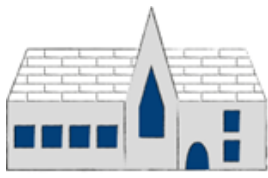
Digital Ambassadors



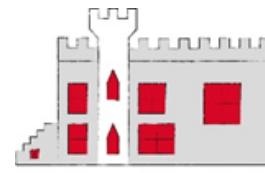
As a Federation we are starting some exciting work around Computing. Mrs Bamma will work with a small group, who have been chosen to be digital ambassadors. They will meet on a Tuesday when all together and look at the safer internet day message - **'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'**.

The children will also team up with the digital ambassadors at Le Cateau when we visit for Forest Schools.

The digital ambassadors for our Federation are: **Chad, Emily, Mia and Emily**. In the coming weeks they will share key messages with the school community via our newsletter and Facebook pages.



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