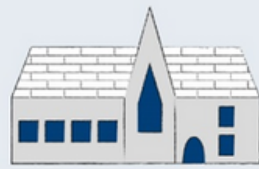
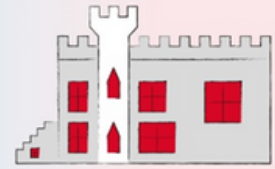




The Federation of North and South Cowton Community and Melsonby Methodist Primary Schools



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Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely half term and are well rested.

We would like to take the opportunity to welcome some new children to our Federation. At Melsonby school last term, we were really lucky to be joined by Jackson in Class 2 and this term, we are excited to welcome Georgia (Year 4) and Esmee (Reception) into our school too.

This week, our KS2 children started the term by bringing home medals on Tuesday, winning Bronze at the Dodgeball competition. A huge well done to everyone involved!



This term, just like last, is a short one, and I am sure it will be Easter before we all know it! Please take a look at the upcoming dates on the last page as we have a number of things going on during this short term and we would hate for you to miss out.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Robinson

Federation Notices

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.

STEM Week
8th - 17th March

This year's STEM week is all based around the theme of TIME. We have a number of learning opportunities set up during the week linked to this theme. As part of this, we would like to ask children to bring in an object from home linked to time so that we can share these and discuss.

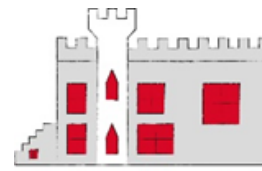
Please bring these in on Wednesday 13th March.



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News

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

This week, in Class 1 the children have been tasked with creating a project about an animal linked to their science learning. Some of the animals they are researching include: Artic fox, puffa fish; gheko, flamingo.



Class 2 have been busy in in History this week researching their favourite part of Mayan Civilisation. Some of which included: war; food; hot chocolate and fashion.

Deadlines and Reminders

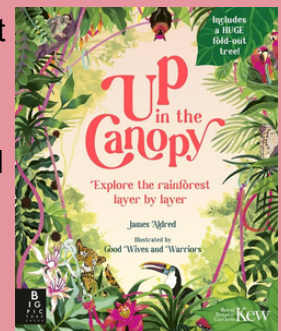
- P.E Days for Class 1 are on a Tuesday and a Thursday.
- P.E days for class 2 are on a Tuesday and a Wednesday.
- If you pay for your child's school meals, please can you login to Arbor and make payments if required.
- A reminder for anyone on the residential to London to please ensure payments are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

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This week in KS1, the boys have begun their learning on length in maths. As part of this, they were exploring different units of measure and using these to measure items around the school.

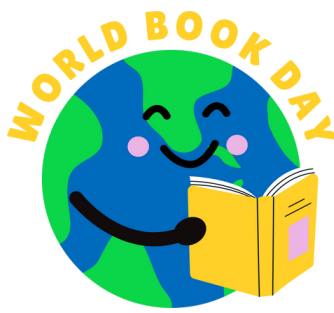


In KS2, the children have been looking at their new text for this term 'Up in the Canopy'. As part of their Geography and their English learning they are going to be exploring Rainforests and working towards writing a non-chronological report.



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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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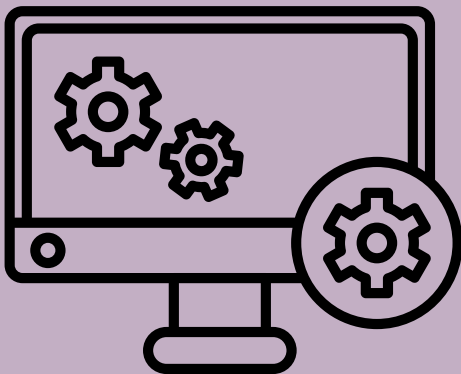
World Book Day - Tuesday 5th March

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 Bramma.

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.

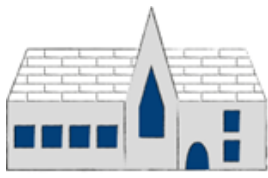
Digital Ambassadors



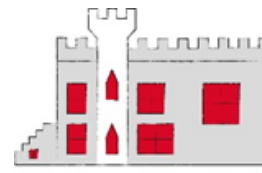
As a Federation we are starting some exciting work around Computing. Mrs Bramma will work with a small group, who have been chosen to be digital ambassadors. They will meet on a Tuesday when all together and look at the safer internet day message - **'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence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

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Tuesday 5th March	All	World Book Day 2:00-2:45pm Parents invited to come and share a book at Melsonby
Tuesday 19th March All		Easter Service at Church in Melsonby at 2pm, all parents are invited
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