

Fountains Earth CE Primary School

Newsletter—Friday 23rd February 2018

A warm welcome back to school after the half term break. I look forward to seeing families at parents evening next Monday and at events over the course of the half term. This half term we welcome Mrs Sharon Hall to Fountains Earth. She will be working Monday to Thursday mornings and some afternoons at St Cuthbert's.

Christian Values

This half term the value we will be focusing on is the value of courage. We will be talking about making brave choices, having the courage to face our fears and worries, being courageous enough to speak out and stand up for what we know is right, having the courage to be honest and admit to our mistakes and recognising courage in others. Talk to your children about courageous decisions you have made in life and the results of this courage on your self-belief.

"COURAGE DOESN'T ALWAYS ROAR. SOMETIMES COURAGE IS THE QUIET VOICE AT THE END OF THE DAY SAYING, 'I WILL TRY AGAIN TOMORROW.'"

- Mary Anne Radmacher

Keep it free . . .

9th March sharing assembly at 9am will be a 'Mother's Day Special' so please come along and join us. There will be a mothers day breakfast after the assembly for Mums (and Dads, Grandparents and friends of school!)

Attendance

This week we are celebrating our best week of attendance since the beginning of term. I am hoping for a healthy term, good attendance with children in school, learning. Compared to the National Average our attendance figures overall are extremely low. Every week of good attendance will boost these figures and ultimately have an impact on learning.

Thursday 1st March — World Book Day

Celebrate stories. Love reading.

Children, staff (and parents!) are invited to dress up as their favourite book character on Thursday next week to celebrate world book day. We are mindful of the 'commercial nature' of world book day and **DO NOT WANT** families to purchase pre-made costumes for this purpose - this is not what it is all about! A simple home made costume / prop will suffice. We would love it if as many parents as possible could join us from 2.30pm bringing their favourite book / reading material to share with the children.



On Monday the junior members of school council from St Cuthbert's attended a joint meeting with FEL school council. They were very busy planning and arranging a

Federation Easter egg hunt to take place in Lofthouse at the end of term. It was a wonderful opportunity to see the children from both of our schools working together.

Don't forget to send in your 'Extreme reading' photos which will be displayed in the hall on world book day. Here is my favourite so far!



Maths Passports



Congratulations to

Alice who is a 'globetrotter' and had moved to Tangia
Sam who has completed Australasia and has moved to North America

We have several un-named cardigans / jumpers in our possession as we have searched for Rachel Hall's named cardigan. Please can everyone check to see if they have it as it has yet to appear. Please do make sure that all school uniform is named as it really helps us and do come and look to see if the un-named uniform might be yours. Thank you.



Federation of Fountains Earth and St Cuthbert's CE Primary Schools

Learning and Growing Together



Diary Dates Spring Term 2018
(NEW DATES ADDED IN RED)

Monday 26 February
Parents Evening Class One & Two 3:00 - 5.30 pm

Wednesday 28 February
Usual trip to St C pm for music & PE for KS2 using How Stean minibus on this occasion

Thursday 1 March
World Book Day + **parents invited in from 2.30 bring your favourite book**
Administrator interview day (OFFICE CLOSED TODAY)

Wednesday 7 March
High Five Netball Y5/6 at Nidderdale High School 15:45 - 17:30

Thursday 15 March
KS2 Easter Trail at Pateley Bridge Methodist Church

Friday 16th March
Last week of swimming

Wednesday 21 March
Y5/6 Cycling Proficiency Day 2
New pupils visiting Year 6 (Ryan) and Reception (Amy)

Thursday 22nd March
New pupils visiting Year 6 (Ryan) and Reception (Amy)

Friday 23 March
Sports relief in celebrations in school
Royal hall concert— year 5/6 children leaving school at 1pm

Tuesday 27th March
School Council planned federation Easter egg hunt (more details to follow)

Thursday 29 March
End of Term, Easter Holidays (re-opening Monday 16 April)