

North Yorkshire County Council

Cawood Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Note from the Headteacher's desk



Our school mission statement states:

Christian values are central to the life and ethos of our school and we aim to provide a curriculum that is fun, creative, enriched and challenging.

We encourage all members of our school community to develop the skills and confidence to reach their full potential in every aspect of life. We strive to provide high standards of teaching and excellent learning opportunities in a safe, friendly and supportive environment.

We believe that a strong partnership between school, home, parish and community is essential to our children's development. At Cawood, everyone matters.

I arrived at Cawood on a beautiful day in July and was warmly welcomed by Mrs Grimshaw. Just after a few minutes of looking around the school and talking with some of the children I was convinced that this would be the place for me to take up my headship. I was hopeful that my application would be successful and that one day I would be given the opportunity to become a part of the school community.

Following the two days of interview I was overjoyed to have been offered the position of Headteacher at Cawood Primary School. Thank you to the staff, governors, parents and children who have given me a very warm welcome.



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It is such a privilege to work with children and staff in this capacity. I am immensely grateful to the governing body, Mr Smith, Mrs Brough Jones and the staff for maintaining the high quality of education provision for the children for many years.

My first priority is to secure the quality of teaching and learning whilst promoting the very highest standards. Cawood has its own unique and distinctive character and I am looking forward to working with the governing body to take the school forward in providing a first class education. I fully support and embrace the Christian vision and values of the school and believe that all children should have access to an excellent education. I aim to work with parents and carers to build a school that offers excellence for all. I am relentless in my drive to secure the best outcomes for all children. We will work together, governors, staff, parents and carers to build and maintain our school taking it into the next exciting stages of development. We will work together to provide the highest levels of care and support for every child. At the heart of all that we do is your child's education and I will endeavour to promote the highest values in order to provide the very best opportunities for all children to succeed and flourish. By working together I am confident of the continued success of Cawood CE Primary School.

My previous school was Scholes (Elmet) Primary school. I was Head of School and responsible for the day to day operational management. Scholes (Elmet) Primary is part of the Sphere Federation which also includes St.James' of Wetherby and Moortown primary schools. Whilst I did some management across the federation I was principally in charge of the operational management of teaching and learning. In the past I have always maintained a strong commitment to teaching and I am greatly looking forward to teaching at Cawood. I am also a member of Wetherby Methodist Church and lead services in the Tadcaster circuit as a local preacher. In my spare time I play the violin and presently perform with the Harrogate Symphony Orchestra.

I look forward to meeting you and getting to know you better in the near future. Thank you for all your support and encouragement which I have received on my arrival at Cawood. If you have anything you wish to discuss with me, please do come in and see me if I am available or make an appointment through the office.

A big thank you to everyone who donated money at the Christingle service and the Christmas performance collections. Together we raised a fantastic £324 for the children's society.



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Diary Dates for this term are currently under review and a revised list to follow shortly.

Safeguarding

This week I have watched the children coming to school and the traffic flow. In general everything seems to have worked well this week. There are however two concerns to bring to your attention.

1. The use of cars.

It goes without saying but please drive very carefully. Give yourself plenty of time. Accidents often happen when people are rushing or forget to check and then check again. Please take more precautions in the morning when it could be icy or there is reduced visibility, especially if reversing.

2. A number of parents have come into school with the children in the mornings.

This is not permitted as it contravenes our safeguarding regulations.

As a new Headteacher it worried me that there were a number of adults in school who I did not know. I'm sure that you would agree that in order to ensure the children's safety then adults must not enter the building. Please say your goodbyes in the playground and allow the children to come in with a friend or by themselves.

Nursery and Reception (F1 and F2)

Parents may come into the classroom briefly if it is necessary to settle the children but we are hoping that this will discontinue towards the middle of this term.

Key stages 1 and key stage 2

Please say good bye to the children in the playground and watch them to make sure that they have entered safely into the building/cloakroom. You may need to give a quick message to the teacher but please be brief and allow the children and the teaching staff to start the day promptly. If you need to discuss something with a member of staff then please make an appointment in the main school office. Longer messages can also be left at the school office and then relayed to the teacher or the child.

If you need to go to the main office for any reason then please use the outside route. Please do not walk through the school. Thank you for your consideration and cooperation. This is important as we would like to make a brisk start in the morning and we cannot compromise the children's safety and wellbeing in any way.



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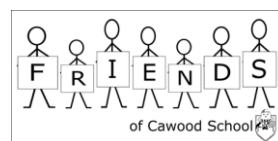
Note from the office:

Office opening times : 8.30am – 4.00pm.

All absence must be relayed to the school office before registration.

The Friends of Cawood School

A note to say that we have a meeting at 3:30 this Friday (13th Jan) & that tickets are available to buy from the office for the grownups disco.



Holidays and Training Days 2016 – 2017 - 2018

	School closes	School re-opens	Training Days		School closes	School re-opens	Training Days
Autumn		Tue 6 Sep 2016	Mon 5 Sep 2016			Tue 5 Sep 2017	Friday 1 Sept 2017 Mon 4 Sep 2016
Autumn Half term	Fri 21 Oct 2016	Tues 1 Nov 2016	Mon 31 Oct 2016		Fri 20 Oct 2017	Mon 30 Oct 2017	
Christmas	Fri 16 Dec 2016	Wed 4 Jann 2017	Tues 3 Jan 2017		Fri 22 Dec 2017	Tue 9 Jan 2018	Mon 8 Jan 2018
Spring half-term	Fri 17 Feb 2017	Mon 27 Feb 2017			Fri 09 Feb 2018	Mon 19 Feb 2018	
Easter	Fri 7 Apr 2017	Tue 25 Apr 2017	Mon 24 Apr 2017		Thur 29 Mar 2018	Tue 17 Apr 2018	Mon 16 Apr 2018
May Day	Mon 1 May 2017				Mon 7 May 2018		
Summer Half-term	Fri 26 May 2017	Tues 6 Jun 2017	Mon 5 Jun 2017		Fri 25 May 2018	Mon 4 Jun 2018	
Summer	Tues 25 Jul 2017				Fri 20 Jul 2018		Mon 23 Jul 2018



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AFTER SCHOOL AND LUNCHTIME CLUBS – Spring 2017

Name Class

Monday lunchtime	UKULELE Mrs Stephenson	KS2	Free
Monday evening	ART CLUB Mrs Hodgson	YEAR 3 & YEAR 4	Free
Tuesday morning 8am-8.45am	HOMEWORK CLUB Mrs Coulthard	KS2	Free
Wednesday lunchtime	GIRLS FOOTBALL Premier Sports	ALL	Free
Thursday evening	RECORDERS Mrs Walker	KS2	Free
Thursday evening	LIBRARY Mrs Ramsdale	ALL	Free

Your child will walk home

Your child will be collected

