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December 2020 Newsletter

PFTW

Perseverance, Friendship, Thankfulness, Wisdom

Excellence and Enjoyment

Stepping forward together.

Dear parents and carers,

Life seems to bring us many different things from different angles, some expected and welcomed, some unexpected and unwelcomed. In my reflections over the advent period and into Christmas I have thought about the words of Psalm 62....

**Find rest O my soul, in God alone;
my hope comes from him.**

It reminds me of the story in the Bible when Jesus is in the boat on lake Galilee when, without warning, a furious storm came. The disciples were in a real state of panic thinking that they were going to drown. Jesus asks them why they are afraid, takes control of the situation and calms the storm. In many ways it is another wonderful example of the light that shines in the darkness. A wonderful and amazing contrast between darkness and light, fear and peace, love and hatred. And so it is that we look for the light of the world as we recall the words of John's gospel..

...in him was life ... The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.

The words of John shine as brightly today as ever they have done.

There was no room at the inn but Mary and Joseph find shelter in a stable.

They were poor but the kings brought gold.

They were afraid but they escaped in the darkness to Egypt.

In their darkness, fear and bewilderment they were guided by God.

May God bless our homes, our families, our school, our church and our community this Christmas time.

John chapter 15

Stay Connected

Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine.

Matthew Ch. 6 V. 9

This then is how you should pray....

Our Father.....

Matthew Chapter 25 V 29

Always do your best

The man who had received the five talents brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, you have entrusted me with five talents. See, I have gained five more.'



Matthew Ch. 6 V 29

Do Not Worry

Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?

Matthew Ch. 2 V.11

Give Great gifts

...and they bowed down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh.

Luke Ch.6 V. 31

Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Learn all that you can.

John Ch. 14 V. 5

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

Matthew Ch.11 V. 29

"Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart."

Five ways to flourish – living life to the full.

The gift of giving

In our worship this term, we have been thinking about the gift of giving...

Matthew Chapter 2 verse 11

...and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh.



Our virtual advent calendar.

The staff and children have had a wonderful term in school. It has been fabulous to have the children in school from September and we are so pleased that we have been able to stay open and we've not had to close any of the Bubbles. Whilst this term hasn't been quite the normal autumn term, all the staff have tried very hard to settle the children into school and to move learning forward as best and as quickly as we can. The children have been absolutely brilliant. We have really missed the children in those summer months but we are so pleased with how well the term has gone. We are incredibly proud of every child in our school because they have been so amazing, not just in the new regime of hand washing and hand gel, but also because of the way they have moved into their new year groups and continued to learn and develop their skills and understanding. On top of that, we have created our very first daily **advent calendar on twitter**. We hope you have enjoyed sharing the Christmas advent experience with us.

<https://cawoodprimary.co.uk/>

(This is the link to our web site. Please scroll down to see our most recent tweets.)

December Nursery News

We have been having lots of Christmas fun in Nursery during December.

The children really enjoyed learning about the First Christmas and singing our Nativity and Christmas songs outdoors. We had great fun at our Christmas party, playing lots of games and enjoying a Christmas picnic. On our last day the children looked fabulous in their Christmas jumpers. We also went on a Nativity walk through school looking for pictures that told the Nativity. The children were very good at remembering the true meaning of Christmas for Christians.

Our best wishes to you all.





Christingle service at All Saints

This year we couldn't have our usual Christingle service in school but class 4 and 5 went to All Saints Church to present and film a Christingle service that we could all share in our Bubble classrooms. Thank you to Mrs Walker and Miss Richardson and all the children in classes 4 and 5 who led the service and did such a wonderful service that we could all share in school across our network. We all really enjoyed sharing in the worship. The children also went on to make their own Christingles in their classrooms.



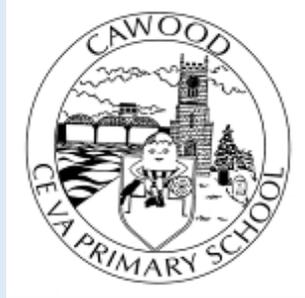
The children joined together across school for the Christingle service filmed at All Saints church and really enjoyed making their own Christingles. Well done to Class 3 and all the children for making such lovely Christingles and for not eating the sweets before the Christingles were made.



We are very sad and sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Fisher.

It was with great sadness that Mrs Fisher announced her retirement in December. Mrs Fisher has been at Cawood school for 35 years and throughout that time she has had many roles and steered the school along the pathway of success. In my time at Cawood, Mrs Fisher has brought so much fun and joy into school alongside an incredibly dedicated and caring approach to teaching the children and wanting to provide the very best for them. Her knowledge and advice on the school building, governing the school, and her work in the classrooms will be greatly missed. I will always be grateful, as are all the staff, for Mrs Fisher's professional approach to teaching and her consideration and support. Nothing was ever too big or too small for Mrs Fisher to handle and we are all feeling sad that she is leaving us. We must say a proper goodbye in school as soon as we can, and we all wish Mrs Fisher every joy and happiness this Christmas time and in her years of retirement.

Governor news



Jeremy Nott has announced that he is standing down as a school governor from the end of December. Jeremy joined the governing body in 2007 and has greatly influenced the shape and direction of the school over his 13 years of service. As an integral part of the BBC, Jeremy's knowledge and understanding of news and what is going on in the world, alongside his very professional approach and dedication to the school has been second to none. I will always be grateful for Jeremy's keen eye for detail, his knowledge and challenge which has helped to inform the decision making of the school and to ensure its ongoing development and success over the years. As a governing body we would like to thank Jeremy for his immense contribution to the school and to wish him every continued success in the future.

What a great team – well done Cawood School!

As a parent as well as a governor I would like to say a huge thank you to all the staff for pulling together a series of Christmas 'events' which the children have really enjoyed.

I know it will have been really difficult to think of how and what to do, but the children I have spoken to feel they have still done the 'Christmassy things' they do this time of year. It is so important to mark this time of year for the children in some way and I feel the school did the best in the circumstances. All the children seemed to have left school at the end of term with real feeling of excitement and big grins on their faces. Exactly as it should be. Well done to you all and thank you for your efforts this term.

(By Stacey Needham)

I write this newsletter in the midst of many reports coming out about changes to the Christmas arrangements and possible school closures - initially for some high school year groups. The present reports are unsettling and what comes next is unclear. We will continue to closely follow the local and national governments guidance. Possibly we may be implementing additional local 'tiered' responses. Our aim is to continue to play our part and for all the class bubbles to stay open as best as we can in January and for as long as we can. Over the Christmas break we will revisit our risk assessment and the operational plans for each of our class bubbles. Please note the following guidelines from North Yorkshire.

Should your child develop symptoms of Covid-19:-

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Actions needed:-

- Do not come to school
- Contact school or setting to inform us
- Child to get a test via nhs.uk online or by calling 119
- Members of the household should self-isolate – see the *Stay at Home guidance*
- Inform the school immediately about the test results
- If after 10 days, your child still has a temperature they should continue to self-isolate and seek medical advice.

For the full details of the advice please see the accompanying document on the school web site:
<https://cawoodprimary.co.uk/> *NYCC Covid-19 related pupil absence*

We will keep you updated via our text and email system as well as the school website. Thank you for your support and understanding throughout the difficult period. We are continuing to learn and improve our system in response to the government guidelines.

Essential to our planning is the educational continuity for all the children, and every teacher has prepared for remote learning for their class. Should a bubble have to close, the class teacher will share with you a letter of intent outlining what will happen next, and activities and plan of the remote learning. Throughout this period, we are pleased to have the support of North Yorkshire County Council, The Diocese and the Health Protection Teams (HTP) of Public Health England.

Your child's health and well-being is paramount and we continue to review our risk assessment in line with the latest government advice. To date, we have not had any confirmed cases in school. We continue to be very vigilant and we have an excellent and very dedicated team who are working hard to help and support your child/children to enjoy learning and to reach their potential.

It could be chilly in January.



The weather is likely to turn much colder in January and we still have to keep the classrooms and corridors well ventilated with a steady movement of fresh air. The heating will be on as usual and our new boilers are working very well. However, the school will feel a lot colder than it normally does so please remember to wear an extra layer, a vest and/or thermals. You may even need an extra pair of socks. Windows will be open, and doors opened occasionally to keep the air circulating.



We are happy to be working with Club Doncaster in 2020 -2021



If the weather looks particularly bad or rainy, we will cancel the after school clubs run by Club Doncaster by lunch time. We'll send out a text message so please look out for texts from the school.

No clubs the first week back in the new term.

There will not be any sports clubs the first week back in January and we will follow any new government guidelines.

Message from Home/School Liason Officer – Hazel Coleman

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***Our 5 ways to flourish are:
to take notice, to connect, to be active, to give, to keep learning.***

Dear parents and carers,

I am well known at school as a governor and teaching member of staff with a specialism for helping and supporting all children in school across the age ranges. I am very dedicated to helping all children in school, and particularly supporting children who may have anxieties, worries or may be displaying signs of developing an issue which can arise from a variety of situations faced both at home and school. My role is to offer support and work through matters with children, staff and parents. I feel that this is an essential role in school as I can, if needed, provide a link between school and the home for parents or carers with general school welfare matters.

I will continue running sessions throughout the week for parents, carers and children. These sessions are an opportunity for you to come and talk things over. If your child is experiencing anything at home that may be impacting on school life, or you have any concerns regarding the wellbeing of your child in the school environment I would invite you to come and see me.

Sessions can work on a casual 'drop in' one to one basis, but I will be available from 8.30am if you wish to make an appointment to see me.

We are here to provide the very best education we can for all the children. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any concerns you or your child may have.

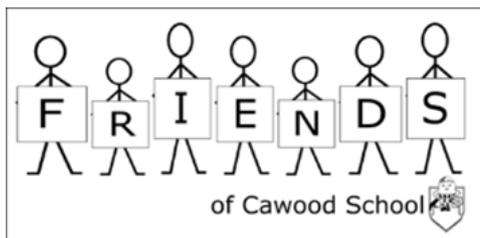
I am available throughout the week but if I am unable to get to the phone, then please leave a message and I will return your call as soon as I can.
(01757 268368)

Kind Regards

Hazel Coleman
Governor, Teaching Assistant,
Home School Liason Officer.

Thank you for all the donations to the Selby food bank.

Thanks for all the donations – that is greatly appreciated.



...support the work of the school by raising money to buy some extra things for all the children to benefit and enjoy. We helped to pay for the new outdoor nursery area and recently purchased some ipads for the children to use in school. Look out for us and do get involved and join the Friends of Cawood Primary School.

Important Message

Monday 4th January is a training day

Important Message

Remember to send your child to school in their normal PE/games kits on the days when they have PE or games.

APC clothing link

<https://www.school-uniforms.co.uk/index.php/find-your-school/cawood-c-e-primary-school.html>

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School uniform 2020 – 2021

Girls uniform 2020 – 2021

- **navy skirt or pinafore dress** or grey tailored trousers
- **white blouses**
- **navy** v-neck jumper or cardigan
- white, grey or navy socks or navy or grey tights
- dark shoes, not boots or trainers



Summer dress – short or long sleeved – blue and white check

Boys uniform 2020 – 2021

- grey shorts or trousers
- white shirt
- navy v-neck jumper
- dark socks (**black, navy or grey**)
- dark shoes, not boots or trainers



Children in reception and key stage 1 are also permitted to wear polo shirts in place of a school shirt.

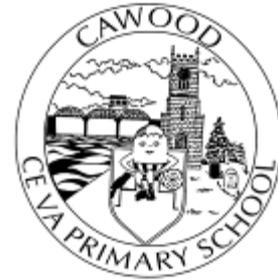
PE Kit: Boys and Girls. 2020 - 2021

- black cotton shorts
- white plain cotton t-shirt
- plimsolls
- dark coloured tracksuit for winter (optional)
- trainers for outdoor games (but please note that trainers will not normally be allowed indoors)

The PE kit should be kept in a named bag and should be in school every day. We value your views and will send out a questionnaire in the Autumn term.



Our Vision & Values



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Our vision and values are very important to us.

We strive to give the very highest standard of education for every child – every day.

These dates are subject to the latest government advice and directives.

Dates for 2020 -2021	School Closes	School Re-opens	Training Days
Christmas	Fri 18 Dec	Tues 5 Jan 2021	Mon 4 Jan 2021
Spring Half Term	Fri 12 Feb 2021	Mon 22 Feb 2021	
Easter	Fri 26 March 2021	Tues 13 Apr 2021	Mon 12 Apr 2021
May day	Mon 3 May 2021		
Summer Half Term	Fri May 28 2021	Tues 8 June 2021	Mon 7 Jun 2021
Summer	Fri 23 Jul 2021		Mon 26 Jul 2021

Thank you to the staff and children for such an amazing advent calendar.



*Wishing you and your families a very
peaceful and blessed Christmas.*

From all the staff and governors of Cawood CE Primary School.

