



# Cumberworth's Weekly Newsletter

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

## A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Thank you to all the parents and carers that came to our Easter Assembly this morning, the children all worked really hard and I think you will agree they were fantastic.

Have a lovely Easter break and I look forward to seeing you on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 8:45am.

Mrs Claxton

### Wooden Spoons

Thank you for all your wooden spoon creations. It was really hard to choose 5, but the winners are;

Overall - Sam

Panda – Beatrice

Koala – Oliver

Australia – Willow

China - Laura

Prizes will be coming home with the children today.



### Usborne Sponsored Read

Thank you to everyone that has sponsored their children.

We raised £564 which will be used to purchase Usborne books for our school. On top of this, we will earn up to 60% in extra free books.



A big happy birthday to Thomas, Hattie, Henry & Evie who have celebrated their birthday this week. We hope you've enjoyed your special day!

Elsbeth, Gabriella, Mathilda, Theodore, Mace & Arthur we hope you enjoy your birthday over the holidays. We can't wait to hear all about it when we get back to school.

### Whole School Attendance Figures

Our target is 97% attendance.

Attendance	Last Week	This Week
Whole School	94.61%	94.14%
Reception	93.33%	90.67%
Year 1	96.84%	97.89%
Year 2	94.50%	93.50%
Year 3	96.30%	96.67%
Year 4	89%	92.73%
Year 5	94.61%	93.18%

### Congratulations to this week's Stars of the Week!

Panda – Ralph

Koala- Henry

Australia – Amelie

China – Nell



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## Reminders

- **Acceptable Use Policy** – If you have not returned these already, please sign and return as soon as possible. If you do not have a copy, these can be collected from the office.
- **Gulliver's Valley Resort, Sheffield** – If you would like your child to attend the Gulliver's visit on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July, please return the permission slip to school as soon as possible.
- **Sunshine Club** – following the Dojo post on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March, please ensure that all payments for this half term's bookings are paid in full by **the end of today to continue with sessions when we return.**

## Pupil View

With assessment week in full swing and the children working hard, their excitement for Easter break is not going unnoticed. Therefore, this week I wanted to write about some of the children's highlights from this term. I spoke to Ivy from Year 4 and Isaac from Year 5 and asked what has been one of their favourite activities from this term. To my delighted surprise the answer was in fact learning - learning outside to be specific. It seems this term's forest school has been an amazing hit with all children who have taken part.

When I asked the children why this activity was their favourite Ivy and Isaac told me that they feel that participating in teamwork games in a large outdoor space works wonders for our mental health. Isaac feels that "In the classroom, you have to really think, but in forest school, you just go with the flow" and both children agreed that the outdoor setting sparks a different kind of thinking, enhancing creativity and confidence without any performance pressure. Ivy adds that "In the classroom, you have to hold in your energy, but in forest school, this energy is useful." The calming environment, filled with natural sounds, aids in regulating emotions, making it easier to focus and feel content.

It seems the outdoor experience is working wonders for the school's mental health and even prompting thoughts about future careers. – Miss Auckland

## Diary Dates

### April

8<sup>th</sup> School re opens

Parents Evening 3:45 pm – 6:00pm

10<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening 3:45pm – 7:00pm

12<sup>th</sup> Rob Bradley from the Rap School in all day – Parents are welcome to attend a showcase in the gym at 3pm

16<sup>th</sup> KS2 HI 5 Netball @ Shelley College 4:00pm – 5:15pm

17<sup>th</sup> EYFS/Year 1 Parent's phonics and shared reading session

18<sup>th</sup> Class and Year group photos – Purple Cow

**Cumberworth Community Association**  
 TWO VALUES ONE COMMUNITY  
 Registered charity 512914

**EASTER EVENT**  
 Monday 1st April 2024  
 10am-2pm  
 St Nicholas Church, Upper Cumberworth, HD8 8PA

£4 per child  
 includes all crafting materials, refreshments and Easter treats!

Decorate an Easter bonnet  
 Easter egg hunt  
 Easter arts and crafts  
 Decorate Easter biscuits

EGG HUNT \$

**CLAYTON WEST SCOUT GROUP**  
 Sharing "Skills for Life" to young  
 people aged 4 to 18 years

**EASTER**

**Coffee Afternoon**  
 Saturday 23rd March  
 2pm-4pm  
 The Scout Hut, Wakefield Road,  
 Clayton West

Stalls, Face Painting, Raffle  
 Crafts and games for the kids

Clayton West Scout Group is a Registered Charity no. 1027906