

# Felton C of E Primary School **Monthly Newsletter**

February 2025

'Loving, Learning, Living as we journey together to enable everyone to flourish'

January has flown by and the children have been working enthusiastically on their Learning Journeys. It has been wonderful to see all the creations they have made at home, to explore the topics further and compliment what they have explored at school. Next week, many of our Year 4 and 5 pupils are heading to Robinwood and those who are left in school will be going on their own Commando Jo mission.

In March we will be having our second parents' evenings. We have had to change the dates slightly from our original dates - they will be now on Thursday the 13th and Tuesday the 18th of March. Mr Long will be sending an email in the next few weeks with details and information on how to book slots, there will also be an opportunity for you to look at your children's work.

Best wishes

Golmas

Mrs Emma Lucas

Headteacher



This year's Children's Mental Health Week theme is 'Know yourself, Grow yourself'. On Monday the Be You team delivered an assembly

to all the children, discussing that the more we can understand about ourselves, like what makes us tick, our likes, dislikes, strengths and fears, the more prepared we are to express our emotions and take on life's ups and downs. It is through knowing ourselves and speaking with others, that we can build resilience, grow and develop.

Spending some time getting to know yourself is a great way to grow and support yourself and others.

"The most important thing is to try to know yourself." — Socrates

"Promise me you'll always remember you're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think." - Christopher Robin

During the week, the children have been completing a variety of activities to help them get to know themselves. Here are some links for more resources and support.

https://www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/coping-with-life/self-care/

https://www.childline.org.uk/

https://www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/coping-with-life/self-care/

https://www.kooth.com/



#### Christingle

Thank you to Rev Rich for delivering our Christingle Service at the Church. The children made an excellent effort learning some new songs and thoroughly enjoyed consolidating their understanding of the meaning behind each aspect of the Christingle. It was wonderful to see the stars that we had made in December still shining in the roof of the church, each holding a prayer or reflection from the children.





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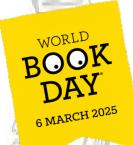
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#### Northumberland County Council careers session - KS2

On Wednesday, February 5th, representatives from NCC visited the school to inspire children about the wide range of careers available within the council. The session began with an engaging talk about how the council operates and its vital role in our local community.

The children then took part in interactive activities, exploring different council jobs, responsibilities, and the various signs they might encounter around the village or on their way to school. Afterwards, the Pioneers had a separate session focused on how the council fits into the UK government and the importance of communication skills. This included a fun game of Chinese Whispers, which resulted in a hilariously distorted message by the end!

As a special treat, all KS2 children received a goodie bag to take home.



#### World Book Day - Thursday 6th March 2025

On Thursday 6th March, it is World Book Day. This year we have decided to celebrate our feelings, what makes us individual and our place on the Earth. Throughout the week, the whole school will be exploring the book Here We Are by Oliver Jeffers with a celebration and sharing of

the work they have all done at the end of the week . On Thursday 6th March, Official World Book Day, we are inviting the children (and Staff) to come to school dressed as an emotion! They could come dressed as a colour or a pattern which might evoke a feeling in them; or they could wear clothes that make them feel a certain way for instance, their pyjamas might make them 'relaxed', sports clothes might make them feel



'energetic' or a sparkly outfit might make them feel 'happy'. The possibilities are endless, each class will then have a parade and try to guess each child's chosen emotion.

#### **Important Reminders**

**Felton Run:** We aim to restart our village run after February half-term but it is very weather dependent. We will give you plenty of notice before we restart.

**PE kit (Gymnastics & Dance):** Children must get changed for all PE activities whether indoor or outdoor. Long hair should be tied back and earrings removed.

**Earrings** - Please ensure that your child only wears small plain stud/s for school, we have noticed that some children are getting more 'adventurous' in their choices. For health and safety reasons we require children to remove their earrings for PE, especially swimming, ball skills and Gymnastics. If you are thinking of getting your child's ear/s pierced we would be very grateful if you could wait until the Summer holidays to give them time to heal properly and they can learn to remove them themselves. We are not allowed to help children to take-out or put-in earrings.

#### **Spring Term Dates**

21st February - Half Term

3rd March - School Restarts

6th March - World Book Day

7-16th March - Science week

13th & 18th March - Face to Face Parents Evenings (email to follow)

11th April - Easter Holidays

**28th April- Start of Summer term**