

Newsletter: 14.02.20

## Behaviour

Children who demonstrate expected behaviour are recognised in class. This week 286 children have been ready, respectful and safe at all times.

Lower Bedale	Upper Bedale	Mossdale	Rosedale	Wensleydale	Swaledale
16/16	24/26	26/29	28/29	28/29	28/28
Silverdale	Airedale	Ribblesdale	Wharfedale	Cragdale	Coverdale
27/28	29/29	22/24	24/25	29/29	5/8

**WELL DONE!**

## Attendance

This week's attendance is 88.02%  
Our attendance target for the year is

96%

Year to date: 93.18%

Lower Bedale  
87.6%

## Stars of the week

Upper Bedale: D F

Mossdale: A P

Rosedale: M-M G

Wensleydale: L P

Swaledale: E S

Silverdale: M V

Airedale: L W

Ribblesdale: E W

Wharfedale: B T

Cragdale: C L

Coverdale: R F

**Well Done!**

Upper Bedale  
86.4%

Mossdale  
87.45%

Rosedale  
84.63%

Wensleydale  
84.36%

Swaledale  
86.72%

Silverdale  
98.47%

Airedale  
89.39%

Ribblesdale  
88.53%

Wharfedale  
93.96%

Cragdale  
93.54%

Coverdale  
41.56%

## Up and Coming Key Dates

14 <sup>th</sup> Feb 20	School closes for half term
24 <sup>th</sup> Feb 20	Return to school after the break
18 <sup>th</sup> Mar 20	Maz Evans – Author Visit
26 <sup>th</sup> Mar 20	2:30pm – Meet the caterer event. Come and sample some of the new menu
3 <sup>rd</sup> April 20	Parent Voice 9:00am
20 <sup>th</sup> Jul 20	INSET Day

## E-safety

Remember to check your parental controls on all online devices your children use in order to keep them safe online. If you have any concerns over online safety look at the CEOP website [www.ceop.police.uk](http://www.ceop.police.uk). Their YouTube clips are very useful and interesting. Please also make sure that your children are not using apps and sites that have age restrictions above their age and that you supervise their use of any online forums. Remember that snapchat, Instagram, facebook and many games are not recommended for children below age 12.

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[@CherryTree\\_SCH](https://twitter.com/CherryTree_SCH)



## Lower Bedale

We have been working hard in Nursery this week. Our book was 'Lost and Found.' We enjoyed finding out about where penguins live and what different species look like. Our artistic children painted some amazing penguins and everybody was very creative when they moved like penguins in the school hall as part of our movement session. The children have enjoyed exploring the new area outside and can't wait to see what else there will be.

## Upper Bedale

This week in Upper Bedale we have been very busy with our writing. Lots of the children have been enjoying having a go at our challenge of the week which has been to write a simple sentence remembering to use finger spaces between our words. Some of the children have even remembered to use a capital letter at the start of their sentence and a full stop at the end. They have been amazing at sounding the words out and writing the letters beautifully.

## Mossdale

What a fabulous week we have had in Mossdale this week! We have written short stories based on the book 'Traction man is Here,' and have enjoyed retelling the story to each other. In maths we have finished our work on fact families and can now write number sentences independently. In PE we have improved our superhero dance sequences and talked about how to work well in a group. Have a lovely half term everyone!

## Rosedale

We have had a busy week in Rosedale and done lots of writing about our new book: Traction Man is Here! We have described his outfits and what powers he has, and written about one of his adventures with his trusty pet – Scrubbing Brush. We have been learning about thirds in maths, how to colour in one or two thirds of a shape, and how to find a third of a number. In science we have been extending our vocabulary to describe the properties of materials. It was Internet Safety Day this week too, and we learnt about what we should and should not share online.

## Wensleydale

It has been a fantastic week in class Wensleydale this week. In literacy we are continuing with our work on 'Traction Man is Here'. We have looked at real and fantasy events and have started writing our own stories about part of the story. In phonics we have all been continuing to practise our speed sounds and to use these when reading and spelling. In maths we have been learning about division. We have practised dividing by sharing and dividing by grouping. In topic we found out more about how Florence Nightingale changed nursing and in science we played a game called 'guess my material' which the children loved!

## Swaledale

This week Swaledale have been being statisticians in Maths! We have been interpreting data in lots of different forms - pictograms, bar charts and tables and we have been using this information to work out real life problems. In comprehension we have been continuing our class novel, summarising the chapters and looking at new vocabulary and we have also been deepening our understanding of the features of non fiction information about famous walls and towers from around the world. In our written work we have been proof reading and editing our non chronological reports and writing our biographies about the artist Georges Seurat. We also know all about prefixes and how they change the meanings of words.

## Silverdale

In Silverdale, the class have been finishing off their book review for Christophe's Story. In maths, they have been adding and subtracting fractions and finding fractions of amounts. In science, they have been finishing their topic on forces and magnets and in geography the class have enjoyed working on continents and countries. There were 19 children who read 5 times or more this week.

## Airedale

This week we've enthusiastically designed 'Pants are Private' posters and sung the NSPCC 'Pantosaurus' song. We've completed safety activities about the internet too. We have discovered what a 'tree line' is in geography, and discussed why trees don't grow in some places. Proudly, we have taken our geography models home. Demonstrating our understanding of our class novel, we've thought of questions to ask the author. Furthermore, we have reviewed the novel and used success matrices to check our own work. In maths, we have investigated scaling and correspondence. For some children, it was the last swimming lesson of the year so we enjoyed a game of water polo!

## Ribblesdale

Ribblesdale have certainly earned their week off this week. We have been showing off our persuasive skills during a class debate, solving tricky multi-step words problems and even rounding numbers up to a million. Even though some of the learning was challenging, they never gave up: heart-warming support was on show every day.

Again, I sit here proud and excited to teach the children their next chunk of learning. Before that though, it is time for them all to recharge their brains. Please encourage them to read and practise their times tables whilst at home. If you want to be impressed, ask them to show you how to use relative clauses or find out 85% of 200.

## Wharfedale

This week in Wharfedale, we have been working so hard! The children have begun their algebra journey. Although the word 'algebra' frightened most, they have overcome their fear and have made a great start. Our writing skills have improved so much over the last few weeks and myself and Mr. Armstrong can see how the children are flourishing and engaging in their own writing progress. We are loving reading 'Who Let The Gods Out?' by Maz Evans and we are extremely excited for her to come visit next half term; we have multiple theories on what might happen next in Elliot and Virgo's adventure with Thanatos and the Zodiac Council!

## Cragdale

This week we have been converting units in maths. Looking at how many grams are in a kilogram, how many centimetres are in a metre and how many millilitres are in a litre. We have put a lot of focus on arithmetic and closing the gaps in the children's knowledge based on the recent tests they sat. In English the children have been preparing a balanced argument based on our class novel Who Let the Gods Out - children have been looking at the benefits and drawbacks to the different sides of an argument and they have been applying this real life situations. This week 16 children have read 5 or more times at home - this is fantastic, but it would be great to increase this number after the holidays.

## Coverdale

Well this half term has flown by! We have been looking back at some of the skills we have learnt this half term. We have also been looking at how to use apostrophes for possession. We have continued learning about length and how to convert units. Connected with our history topic of Vikings we have made some great Viking long boats and drawn some lovely drawings of Viking. Yesterday, we made sausage rolls and the verdict was 10 out of 10!

## Mr Grayston

What a great last week of the half term everyone has had at Cherry Tree. Thank you to everyone that attended our parents' evenings, we hope you found them informative. If for any reason you did not manage to make an appointment, please get in touch with the class teacher and they will find a time to meet with you.

It is lovely to read all the comments above, it is just a snapshot into the hard work that the staff and children are putting in everyday to make the school an exciting place to come and learn. Thank you for all your support and we hope you have a restful week off. See you all on the first day back  
– Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

