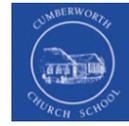




# Cumberworth CE First School



ENJOY, ENRICH, EXCEL

December 2025

**Team Taj Mahal** - have worked on a **Once upon a Time** project which supports children to develop a love of stories and reading and **Sparkle and Shine** project where they have learnt about the celebrations that take place during the autumn and winter seasons, focussing on the significance and symbolism of light at this time of year.

**Team Colosseum** - have used the driver text 'Wolves' by Emily Gravett as inspiration to create a leaflet about wolves and then 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. The children have written their own 'found' tags for other animals which turn up in the classroom, re-told the story in their own words and written a sequence of instructions for helping someone who is lost. In **Geography**, they have looked at hot and cold areas around the world, comparing Somalia with the UK. They also discussed sustainability and looking after our planet. In **D.T**, the children looked at where food comes from, how it is prepared and how to follow recipes. They looked at our school lunches and suggested new meal ideas. Team Colosseum are also taking part in the Kirklees Creative Unity project and have been paired with Healy J, I & N school in Batley. We are looking forward to working with them this year!

**Team Redeemer** - have been excited to be reading 'The Invisible' for their book study, exploring themes of poverty and community. In writing, they have used 'Granny Came Here on The Windrush' to explore themes of relationships and memories. Their writing outcomes included letters, diary entries, a speech and a formal report. In **PSHE**, the Jigsaw unit has been 'Celebrating Difference where children have discussed and explored the themes of acceptance and how to deal with conflict. They also explored what bullying is. In **French**, the children have been focusing on the vocabulary of greetings and exploring nouns.

**Team Machu Picchu** - have taken part in an online author event with Alexander Armstrong through the 'Read' bookshop in Holmfirth and have been reading his new novel 'Evenfall, The Golden Linnet'. In **Science**, the children have investigated forces and motion. They found out about the different types of forces and how some work as opposing forces. There also did some practical experiments where the children developed their skills of reporting scientifically. In **History**, the children continued to find out about the ancient civilisation of Maya (who, what, where and when) and compared their findings to the ancient civilisations of Egypt and Sumer researched last year.

## ROAR Project

Team Redeemer have been working on the ROAR project with Denby Dale Lions this term. In groups they have worked on a world changing prototype, created a jingle and poster to go with it and then presented them to the rest of the school with two Denby Dale Lions present and Mr West from Learning Accord. Every class scored the presentations and the winners were videoed and sent off to the National Final.



## Enrichment

The children across school have been enriching their lives this half term by taking part in our after school club offering. We have had Ukulele, Science, Chess, French, Spanish, Forensics, Boxercise, Dance, Lego and girls' football for them to choose from.



## Hand to Mouth

Every class took part in a session based on prayer this half term. Taj Mahal took part in Our Daily Bread lesson, Colosseum Treasuring prayer, Redeemer did a learning journey on the Lord's Prayer and Machu Picchu learnt about Lindisfarne Gospels and Illuminated lettering.



## Sporting Success!

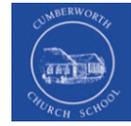
Well done to all our Cross Country runners who took part in the Shelley Sports Partnership events this term.

Two of our Y5 girls represented Cumberworth at the Kirklees Y5 girls final on 27.11.25 and have both qualified for the West Yorkshire finals at Temple Newsome.





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## HTFC Partnership School

In November, Andy Booth from Huddersfield Town came to present us with a plaque for being a partnership school this season which we have already put up in our entrance!



## Dance Festival, Shelley College

Well done to all our dancers that danced at the dance festival at Shelley College earlier this month, you all 'sparkled and shone'!



## Christmas Day!



## Light's, Camel, Action





## Calendar Dates Spring 1

### January:

6<sup>th</sup> – Parents evening

7<sup>th</sup> - Parents evening

9<sup>th</sup> – Half termly overview and homework menu to be sent out

12<sup>th</sup> – After school Parliament meeting

16<sup>th</sup> – Huddersfield Town Stadium tour

24<sup>th</sup> – Huddersfield Town vs Bradford City football match

27<sup>th</sup> – Y1 Multiskills @ Shelley College 9am – 12pm. All children to wear PE kits

### February:

2<sup>nd</sup> – 1pm – 3:30pm Drop in session for SEND/SEMH parents. Please let Ms Chalkley know if you will be attending

3<sup>rd</sup> – Y4 Road Safety training

4<sup>th</sup> – 9am Parents invited to work with their child in a maths lesson

5<sup>th</sup> – Rock Kidz in school all day. Children can dress as a Rock Star (optional) Theme is kindness

<https://www.rockkidzuk.com/>

7<sup>th</sup> – Light up the woods

**w/b 9<sup>th</sup> Children's Mental Health Week – school theme nature/outdoors/eco. Children can wear a school PE kit all week if they choose to. PE will remain on the same days**

9<sup>th</sup> – Whole School Wellbeing Walk

After School Parliament meeting

10<sup>th</sup> – am all chn to take part in a VR eco session

<https://www.educationgroup.co.uk/workshops/eco>

pm Internet Safety Day lessons for all classes

11<sup>th</sup> – all classes to take part in a Forest School session

4pm KS2 Girls Football tournament

12<sup>th</sup> – all classes to take part in a Fair and Funky Workshop <https://www.fairandfunky.com/school-and-community-workshops/>

Star in the Jar treat for children pulled out of the jar

After School Disco 4:30pm – 6pm

13<sup>th</sup> – NSPCC maths (money) themed day – children can come dressed as anything maths related/favourite number for a suggested donation of £2 for the NSPCC

All classes will take part in relaxation and wellbeing session with staff from Huddersfield University.

Break up

School reopens at 8:45am Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026