White Ribbons

George—Great enthusiasm towards learning and trying new food Daisy-Mae—Being a supportive and kind friend Nora—Using good vocab in maths Finley—Good knowledge of doubles Bertie & Oscar—Kindness and good choices in the playground Isabel—Perseverance Elena—Excellent effort Jemima—Fabulous attitude to learning Talia—Great contribution and focus in WCGR Ted—Fabulous written work Ethan—Great effort doing all homework Liv & Thea—Amazing class members of Oak class Phoebe—For having a kind and caring attitude to everyone Freddie—Great progress in all areas

Parents Evening

Parent evening times have been sent home with your child today so please check their bag. Please let us know if you are unable to make the appointment as soon as possible. Appointments are for 10 minutes—if you need longer, please make another appointment with the class teacher on a different day.

SEN IEP Review Week: 24th-28th February

If your child has an IEP (Individual Education Plan), their class teacher will be in touch to arrange a meeting to discuss and review their targets and provision.

Half Term

School closes tomorrow for half term. We hope you have a great week off and look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 24th February.

Parking

We have had complaints from people living on Neville Road about parking inconsiderately. Please respect those people who live near school. A further message from the police is on page 3 of this newsletter. Please park in the village and walk to school.

World Book Day—Thursday 6th March

Children are welcome to come to school dressed as a book character. They can also bring their favourite book

Gargrave Pantomime Group presents Alice in Wonderland

Join us at the Gargrave Pantomime Group's magical journey down the rabbit hole with Alice in Wonderland! Prepare to be delighted as Alice encounters unforgettable characters like the Cheshire Cat, the Mad Hatter, and the Queen of Hearts. This whimsical production promises laughter, adventure, and a dash of wonder for the whole family.

Don't miss this enchanting performance that brings the beloved story to life in vibrant colour and spirited fun. Perfect for audiences of all ages, it's an experience you won't forget!

Gargrave Village Hall, North Yorkshire, BD23 3RD Price £5.00 for Pensioners & children U16; £9 Adults Dates: 20th-21st Feb 7:15pm & Sat 22nd 1pm & 5pm

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Menu

This is the main choice—there is a vegetarian option and jacket potato available every day.

> Monday 24th February Salmon Fishcake Raspberry Buns

Tuesday 25th February

Cheese & Tomato Pinwheel Apple Crisp & Crème Fraiche

Wednesday 26th February Cottage Pie

Strawberry Delight

Thursday 27th February

Garlic Chicken Fruit Burst Muffin

Friday 28th February Proper Hotdogs

Swiss Roll

Monday 3rd March

Chicken Enchiladas Chocolate Krispie

Tuesday 4th March Shrove Tuesday Special Fish & Chips Scotch Pancakes

Wednesday 5th March Veggie Pasta Bake Custard Cookie

Thursday 6th March Cowboy Pie Fruit Scone & Jam

Friday 7th March Popcorn Chicken Fruit Trifle

Donation

We have received a donation of $\pounds 250$ from Mr David Cutter (ex CEO of Skipton Building Society) from his late mother's estate. Here is a little bit about David and his family.

"My Mother was Val Cutter (1935 - 2022), nee Hindley. She was born in Colne and studied at Agricultural College in Devon before moving with my Father to takeover a tenant farm at Eshton. She was a keen horsewoman and trained at dressage. In addition to bringing up three children she was active in the local community. After my parents separated, she went to live in Broughton before moving to Gargrave. She was a local Councillor and for one year was Chairman of the Craven District Council. She had many interests - walking, nature, playing in the Settle Orchestra, and published a book of her father's diaries when he travelled round the World in the 1920's in connection with the cotton trade. She was involved in several charities in Gargrave and seemed to know everyone!"

School Uniform

Uniform should be worn every day unless your child has PE or has a Raving Reader non-uniform reward. A reminder of our school uniform:

- Navy sweatshirt with school logo (NO hoodies during the school day)
- Navy cardigan with school logo (again- no hoodies please)
- Trousers, shorts, skirts, Pinafore dark grey, navy or black
- White polo shirt (with or without logo)
- Dark coloured school shoes with sensible heels (no trainers)
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- Blue gingham dress
- Tartan skirt or pinafore
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- Simple headband

Long hair should be tied back

PE kit on PE days:

- White T Shirt
- Navy blue or black shorts
- Trainers
- Navy blue or black jumper (this may be a hoodie)
- Dark coloured jogging bottoms (no zips showing)

Earrings – small studs may be worn but these must be removed/not worn on PE days. Please also note that hoodies are not to be worn every day, but they may be used as a much needed extra layer in PE lessons. Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly named. This ensures that lost property can be returned to pupils quickly.

Please check at home for hoodies that have the school name on the back and running vests as we have several missing. Thank you.

Grassington Dental

Apple and Ash class are invited to take part in the Tooth Brushing & Flouride Varnish Programme. A dentist & dental nurse will come to school on Tuesday 4th March. A letter has been sent home today giving more details. If you wish to take part in the programme, consents need to be sent back to school by **Tuesday 25th February**.

Imminent Events

Young Voices (Selected pupils)—Letter being sent tomorrow London (Y6)—Letter to follow after half term Malham (Y5)—Letter to follow after half term

A Message from the Police

We have been out and about conducting parking patrols at our local schools and speaking to motorists, advising them when their parking is not appropriate and potentially endangering Parents and children as they cross the busy junctions around the main entrances to the schools. Overall, our attendance has been seen to be beneficial, however, not all motorists spoken to were receptive to advice. We hear:

"THERE IS NOWHERE ELSE TO PARK ". Yes, there is, it's just further away. "HAVE YOU NOTHING BETTER TO DO ". As Community Officers this is part of our role.

Sadly, many of our schools have mostly on street parking and school times are notoriously difficult to find a parking space. This does not mean motorists have the right to block junctions or park in a manner that affects other road users or pedestrians. Under Highway law, it is an offence to park a vehicle so that it obstructs other people wanting to use a road or path. A Dropped kerb is an obvious sign and should not be parked in front of.

We have witnessed :

- Frustrated motorists turning in the middle of junctions, causing pedestrians to stop for them. Please remember, pedestrians should always take priority, especially when mid crossing with children!
- Parents stopping their car in the middle of the road for their children to get out and cross to the pavement.
- Double parking
- Parking on the zig-zags despite clearly visible signs advising against this for safety reasons.

Everyone has busy lives, and dropping children off at school is part of a morning routine that most people with young children experience. However, the safety of the children – your children – is most important. Here are a few tips to help make the school parking experience safer for everyone involved:

- Set off sooner if you can
- Park further away from the school and walk with your children to the school gates;
- Wear appropriate bright clothing to make you and your child visible to motorists;
- Drive slowly We know you are often in a rush to get to work or have plans for the day, but please be aware of pedestrians with children attempting to cross the road between parked cars.
- Pedestrians Find a safe location to cross the road avoid crossing between parked cars unless there is no other option.

We will continue to attend at various primary schools in the area and will continue to reinforce the messages we have been giving. Keeping children safe on their journey to school should be everyone's priority.

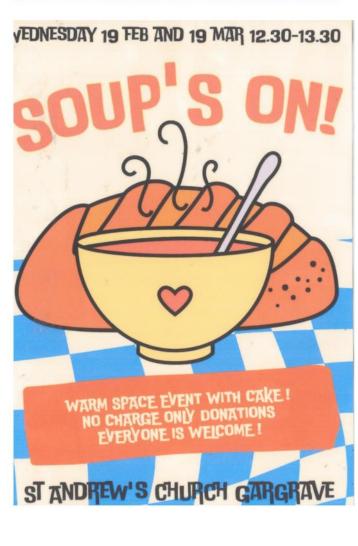
We have also seen an increase in the number of electric scooters being used around the area, often being ridden by children. I'm sure you are aware that nationally there has been an increase in the number of deaths and serious injuries relating to the use of these vehicles, many of which involve young people. Our message is not intended to alarm people, it is merely to inform people of the legality of using electric scooters and the potential risks involved.

Electric scooters are legally classed as motor vehicles and as such means you are required to have a driving licence, third party insurance, and tax to ride them on a public highway. Currently insurance companies are not providing insurance for them, therefore it is illegal to use one in public places, pavements or roads. If you are caught doing so the penalties can include a fixed penalty notice, a fine of up to £300, up to six penalty points and seizure of the e-scooter. If as a parent/guardian, you allow a child to ride an e-scooter on a public pavement or road, you too can be prosecuted for permitting the use of that motor vehicle.

In Craven, the only place you can legally use an e-scooter is on private land, with the permission of the land owner. If you cause serious harm to another person, or cause damage to other vehicles/property whilst riding an e-scooter, this would be classed as a road traffic collision. The incident will be investigated in the same way it would if you were riding a motorcycle or driving a car. Riding an e-scooter on a road will put you in contact with other vehicles and as a result the risk of serious injury is high. Also, riding an e-scooter on a pavement or footpath put both you and other pedestrians at risk of injury.

Please consider these facts before you purchase an e-scooter or allow someone to ride one in public. This message is not designed to spoil peoples fun, but to keep you and everyone else safe. Thank you.









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