

Gargrave C of E Primary School Thursday 16th October 2025



Issue 4



White Ribbons

Mabel—Showing great effort in her phonics
Oakley—Joining in well with the SCARF workshop
Harper—Amazing dancing
Evelyna—A great attitude to learning
Daisy-Mae—Brilliant phonics
Bobby—Showing our school values
Miko—Great spelling
Katie—Mature, sensible attitude
Elliot L—Excellent maths
Violet—Fabulous school values
Matilda—Excellent English
Taylor—Good school values
Imogen—Fantastic engagement in PE
Amber G'ly & Ellie—Excellent engagement and effort in English
Finn—Excellent participating across the curriculum
Jemima—Really mature attitude to learning

Bags 2 School

A reminder to bring your bags in by Monday. The heavier the load, the more funding we receive towards those little extras for your child (school receives 30p per kg).

Collectable Items



Clothes



Paired shoes



Handbags



Hats



Bags



Scarves and ties



Bras



Jewellery



Socks



Belts

Non Collectable Items



Duvets and blankets



Pillows and cushions



Carpets, rugs and mats



Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing



School uniforms with and without logo



Corporate clothing and workwear



Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material



Furniture and large items



Batteries

IQ Cards

Your child brought home an order form last Friday with their Christmas design on it. If you would like to order items, please note the ordering deadline of **23rd October**.

Great Results!

We are featured in The Harrogate Advertiser as one of the top 22 highest achieving primary schools in North Yorkshire, highlighting the fact that 85% of our pupils met the Government's expected standards in reading, writing and maths – compared to averages of 58% locally and 61% nationally. I'm sure you will agree these are fantastic results.

<https://www.harrogateadvertiser.co.uk/education/22-highest-achieving-state-primary-schools-across-north-yorkshire-applications-open-now-5354463?page=6>

Half Term—Training Day

Following parental feedback over training days on Mondays, we have been able to set one on a Friday. School is closed on Friday 24th October for staff training. School re-opens Monday 3rd November.

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Menu

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

Monday 20th October

Vegetable & Lentil Bake
Chocolate Muffin

Tuesday 21st October

Hunters Chicken
Peaches & Yoghurt

Wednesday 22nd October

Roast Pork
Apple Flapjack Crumble

Thursday 23rd October

Teacher's Fingers with Curly
Worms
Zombie Slime & Ghost Blobs

Friday 24th October

School Closed
Staff Training

Monday 3rd November

Mac 'N' Cheese
Banana Mousse

Tuesday 4th November

Sweet & Sour Chicken
Winter Berry Cobbler

Wednesday 5th November

Chilli Con Carne
Ginger Parkin & Custard

Thursday 6th November

Sausage & Mash
Coconut Cake

Friday 7th November

Pizza & Wedges
Chocolate Krispie

Important Safeguarding Notice: Children's "Spy" Books

We want to make you aware of a recent issue affecting some popular children's books by Andrew Cope, including the Spy Dogs, Spy Cats, and Spy Pups series.

Some editions of these books include a printed web address at the back. This link used to go to the author's website, but the domain is no longer under his control. It has since been taken over by another party and now leads to inappropriate adult content.

The publisher, Puffin, has paused sales and distribution of the books and is working with schools, libraries, and retailers to remove copies from circulation. They have stressed that the website has no connection to the author or publisher.

What this means for you:

If your child has any Spy Dog, Spy Cat or Spy Pups books at home, please check the back for website links and make sure they do not try to visit the site. It is safe for children to continue reading the stories themselves — the concern is only with the outdated link.

We recommend talking with your child about the importance of not following web addresses in books without checking with an adult first.

Open Morning—18th November

We will be holding an Open Morning on Tuesday 18th November from 9am-Noon. This is for parents of children who are due to start school next year to come and look around the school, meet the staff and an opportunity to ask any questions. If you know of anyone who has a child looking for a school place in September 2026, please pass this message on to them.

Roman Day—Willow Class

Willow class are having a Roman day on Friday 28th November, please can these pupils come into school that day dressed up as Romans for an exciting day of learning and time with a guest speaker. They can be anything Roman that they have learnt about or are inspired by, e.g. a bedsheet used as a toga, a Roman soldier, a Roman God/Goddess.

Advance Notice—Wonderdome—9th March 2026

All pupils will be inspired by a visit from the Wonderdome. This amazing mobile planetarium will be visiting Gargrave on Monday 9th March 2026 to kick off our exciting learning as part of British Science Week 2026. This interactive experience will help children explore, question and discover different aspects of our universe in a practical and interesting way.

We are asking for a parent donation of £4 per pupil (payable on The School Gateway) to enable this event to go ahead, you can find out more details on their website here <https://wonderdome.co.uk/>. I am sure you will agree this is excellent value for money.

Marrick Priory Parents Meeting

Parents of children in year 5 and year 6 are invited to a parents meeting on Thursday 4th December @ 5pm at school. This is an opportunity to hear what the rough itinerary will be and to ask any questions or express any worries.

Parents Evening

It was great that so many parents came to meet the teachers on Monday and Tuesday. We hope you found it useful. The next parents evening will be in the Spring term. If in the meantime, you have any questions for teachers, please write in planners or email teacher directly who will reply when they are able.

Upcoming Dates

- 21.10.25 Local PCSO will be in school next week running workshops on staying safe in the dark including Halloween and bonfire night
- 22.10.25 NSPCC Workshops for Year 2, 5 & 6 in their class groups, led by NSPCC volunteers and school staff in attendance
- 3.11.25 Children in Need merchandise will be on sale before school in the playground
- 4.11.25 Tempest Photographer in School. Individual and family. **Pupils to wear their school uniform and bring their PE kit (Willow & Oak)**
- 5.11.25 Willow Class worship
- 10.11.25 Part 2 of Fundamental movement skills—Ash class @ Sandylands

Music Lessons

If your child is interested in learning a musical instruments—brass, woodwind, strings, guitars, percussion, voice and keyboard/piano, we have peripatetic teachers from North Yorkshire's Music Service that come into school, along with Mr Hinchliffe (accordion). Please use this link for more information and prices.
www.northyorkshiremusichub.co.uk

SWIM

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RUN

CRAVEN LEISURE CENTRE

4th Oct 4-5.30pm

JUNIOR

AQUATHLON

Come have fun and try out a multi-sport event

Splash 'n' Dash

Moved to 1st Nov @ 2:30pm

Thanks to storm Amy!

Swim 50 m (2 lengths)

Run 1km

Age 7-14 years



Enter Here!

Only £10

 Swim Bike Run - Skipton

Settle Eco-Explorers

Children aged 4 - 12 discovering nature
(Children must bring an adult; younger siblings welcome)

Mon & Tue 20 & 21 Oct

4 - 5.20pm

Harrisons Playing Field, Bankwell Road, Giggleswick, BD24 0AP

Tree Activities

- Find out secrets of nature
- Have fun with your friends
- Find 15 different species of tree. Can you recognise them?



Mon & Tue 3 & 4 Nov

4 - 5.00pm

Meet at sharp bend at top of Langcliffe Brow at 4pm
or at Settle Primary School to share lifts at 3.35pm

Fungi Fun Walk

The events are organised by nature experts Judith Allinson, Sally Waterson, and keen parents. We start from a different location each meeting. For details phone 07950 469 545, or 07753618381. Free (donations welcome). No need to book but it is very helpful if you tell us if you are coming.

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