Staffing - Communication

The staff are keen to communicate with families. This can be done face-to-face, via phone call, planners and e-mail. Please be mindful that teachers have classes to teach and so are not available instantly.

Planners are the best way as they are checked every day. Class e-mail is also checked frequently but staff might take a couple of days to reply. If you have urgent messages please call school on 01756 749433 or email <u>admin@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk</u>.

Teachers will send a class e-mail at the end of the week and these groups are just being set up.

apple@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk ash@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk willow@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk oak@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk

A newsletter will be sent on Thursday (fortnightly) from admin@gargrave.nyorks.sch.uk. Please add all these email addresses to your safe senders list.

Governors

The governors are seeking to increase parental involvement in the Governing Body to ensure that parents and carers have a real voice in ensuring our children receive the best possible offer in the education.

You do not require any particular skills or qualification to be on the GB, only that the child (ren) in your care attend Gargrave CE Primary School. Full training is offered and your commitment will be to have a heart for the school, to attend regular half-termly meetings (usually in the early evening) and to spend a little time in classes in school every term to see how it operates on a day to day basis.

The GB is keen to keep a fresh eye on the school community and it is important that the children's parents and carers are fully represented in the decision-making process.

If you feel that you might be able to join us, or if you would simply like to know more, please speak to Mrs Peel or Mrs Aldous.

Safeguarding

NSPCC - Stay Safe is a free Speak out, stay safe safeguarding programme available to all primary schools in the UK and Channel Islands which we have booked for our school. With the amazing support of Ant and Dec alongside their mascot Buddy, the offer is available for children aged 5-11 and includes child friendly, interactive video assemblies which will take place next week. There will also be a follow up workshop for pupils in Oak class.

Reading Information Morning

Parents and carers of pupils in Apple and Ash Class are invited to a reading information morning on Tuesday 19th September from 9am – 10am. We will talk through our approach to teaching early reading and phonics. We will share ways you can support with this at home over a coffee and biscuit. Please come along.



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Menu

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

Monday 11th September Fish & Chips Grannies Crunch

Tuesday 12th September Beef Burrito Jelly & Fruit

Wednesday 13th September Veg Lasagne & Garlic Bread Custard Biscuit

Thursday 14th September Chicken & Noodles Sticky Toffee Pudding

Friday 15th September Pulled Pork Rolls & Rice Iced Bun

Monday 18th September

Macaroni Cheese Cornflake Tart

Tuesday 19th September Veggie Tacos Ice Cream

Wednesday 20th September Fish Cakes & Chips Sponge & Custard

Thursday 21st September Meatloaf & Roast Potatoes Chocolate Crispie

Friday 22nd September Popcorn Chicken & Chips Rice Pudding

Summer Reading Challenge

As you know the Summer Reading Challenge has been running in libraries during the holidays and has been a great success in North Yorkshire with initial figures showing that over 9,200 children signed up across the County, up 15% on last year! In North Craven we're particularly delighted – 329 children have signed up compared to 210 in 2022 – up an amazing 56%!

For those that started but haven't finished there is still time - the Challenge runs until Saturday 9 September. Certificates will be presented in an assembly at school.

Annual Data Forms

Your child has been given an envelope today which has a number of forms that need completing and returning to school as soon as possible so we have the correct information/consent on file for you and your child. Please check you have completed both sides where necessary.

Tesco Stronger Starts

We are delighted to let you know that our application to the Tesco Stronger Starts has been successful and our Library Upgrade Project will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco, Skipton. Voting will commence in store from the first week of October 2023 until Mid January 2024. Please tell all your friends and family to pick up blue tokens at the till and slot them into our project.

The project with the highest number of votes across our region will receive $\pounds1,500$, the second placed project $\pounds1,000$ and the third placed project $\pounds500$. Any one of those amounts will go along way towards books for our new library.

Junior Tennis

Junior tennis started at Gargrave Tennis Club on Tuesday 5th September at 3.30pm and 4.30pm. The cost is \pounds 30 for a block of 6 sessions. If you are interested, please contact Ji Mukherjee on 07845416301.

Kanga Taster Session

The Kanga team will be in school tomorrow morning to offer their latest after school club. We are unsure what event they will run until they surprise us tomorrow! The after school club will be open for Year 1—Year 6 children and will run on a Monday 3.15-4.15 (starting next Monday). Your child will bring a consent form home tomorrow. If you would like a place, please return Monday morning together with payment. Assume you have a place unless we contact you.

The School Gateway

Payments to school must be made via The School Gateway (<u>https://login.schoolgateway.com/0/auth/login</u>). This includes dinner money for children in Y3-Y6, swimming, trips and Triangle Club.

Lunch money should <u>ALWAYS</u> be in credit to avoid the need to bring a packed lunch. The cost is $\pounds 2.70$ per day or $\pounds 13.50$ per week.

Triangle Club sessions must be booked and paid for at the time of booking via The School Gateway unless you pay by childcare vouchers (please advise Mrs Aldous if you haven't already).

There is an app you can download for The School Gateway if this works better for you. Please note that you will be notified via the app if any text messages are sent from school.

Music Lessons

We currently have a guitar teacher (Mr Hewer) and piano teacher (Mr Cloak) from The County Music Service who come into school on a weekly basis. Mr Hinchcliffe also teaches accordion and Mrs Turvey teaches whole class music (available on a 1-1 basis as well).

If your child is interested in learning an instrument, please call into school for an application form.

This year both guitar and piano lessons will be on a Thursday morning and accordion on a Tuesday so if you are already signed up to these lessons, please send music/instrument on this day—starting next week.

Dates for Diaries

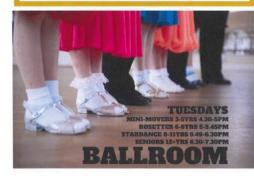
Date	Event	Info
8.9.23	Kanga Taster Session (Y1—Y6)	In school time, no need for PE kit
11.9.23	NSPCC online assemblies	See main body of newsletter
13.9.23	Swimming—Y3 & Y4	Weekly until December
18.9.23	Settle College to speak to Y6 about secondary school	
19.9.23	Reading morning for parents of Apple and Ash Class	9am start
19.9.23	NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Workshop	Y6
19.9.23	Y3-Y6 Cross County @ The Skipton Academy	Details to follow
27.9.23	Governors AGM	
9.10.23	Parents Evening	Details to follow
10.10.23	Parents Evening	Details to follow
12.10.23	KS2 Basketball	Details to follow
12.10.23	Craven Area Cross Country Finals	Details to follow
19.10.23	Flu Immunisations	Details to follow
27.10.23	Finish for Half Term	
6.11.23	School Closed for Training Day	
7.11.23	School Re-Opens	
7.11.23	Individual Tempest Photographs	
23.11.23	North Yorkshire Cross Country Finals	Details to follow
27.11.23— 1.12.23	Y5 & Y6 Residential to Marrick Priory	
1.12.23	Whole School RE Day	
22.12.23	School Closes for Christmas	
8.1.24	School Closed to Training Day	
9.1.24	School Re-Opens	





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