

Gargrave C of E Primary School Thursday 6th December 2018



White Ribbons

Alice Walton-Brown (super effort in lessons & showing kindness towards others)
 Fletcher Eyles (Showing our school values and being kind to others)
 Josie Whitworth (showing our school values all the time)
 Eliza Bullock (Super art work)
 Scarlet Wood (fabulous handwriting)
 Holly Barker (super reading in lessons)
 Monty Green (showing kindness and patience when helping others)
 Nathaniel Bullivant-Sollazzo (being more punctual—getting to school on time)
 David Barker (excellent maths)
 Kitty Turner (super discussion on aid work during topic)
 Joshua Procter (a super attitude towards friends)

Head Boy & Head Girl White Ribbon Nominations

Oliver Green & Lily Brown (respecting another religion and asking questions)

Triangle Club Nominations

Samuel Blackwell (helping at snack time)
 Dottie Robinson (polite and kind)
 Harry Dean (being very helpful)

Progress

Thank you to each pupil for trying their hardest on the recent tests. We are sharing results and reviewing questions with the pupils. Please speak to the class teacher if you have any questions. There will be a parents evening in the Spring term.

Staffing

We wish Mrs Cryer all the best and thank her SO much for the teaching she has done in school during 2018. Miss Head and Mr Mould (student teachers) also finish at the end of term- we wish them good luck for the remainder of their training.

Swimming

On Monday 17th December **ALL** year 3 and 4 will swim at Craven Pool (Mrs Chadwick)
 On Tuesday 18th December **ALL** year 5 and 6 will swim at Craven Pool (Mrs Chadwick/Mr Mukherjee)

We are using these lessons to see progress since last year and to decide who should take part in the aqua-splash, improvers gala and Skipton area gala. Mrs Chadwick and Mr Mukherjee will lead this session.

There is still £520.50 outstanding for swimming lessons on the school gateway. Please log on and pay if you are able. A credit of £3.50 will be applied for the cancelled swim (10th December) once payment has been received in full.

Class Worship

SYCAMORE CLASS WORSHIP is on Wednesday 12th December 9am. This had to be re-arranged due to a clash with nativity rehearsals.

Nativity in Church

Monday 10th December 1:30pm in Church

Everyone is very welcome to this special production, led by our youngest pupils. There will be coffee and tea in church before the service, from 1pm. Service will start at 1:30pm. We anticipate it lasting about an hour. Pupils may be taken home from the church, if no-one is able to collect, we shall bring those pupils back to school, to be collected at 3:15pm in the usual way. We are looking for donations of mince pies to be served along with tea and coffee. Please drop into school either tomorrow or Monday morning. Thank you.

Head Lice

Please check your child's head we have been told of more lice in the hair of some families.

Kanga

Last Dodgeball session for Kanga is Tuesday 18th December.

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Menu



This is the main choice—there is a vegetarian option, jacket potato and sandwiches available every day (as per menus sent at the start of term).

Monday 10th December

Chicken Strip Wraps
Sticky Toffee Pudding

Tuesday 11th December

Meatballs in Tomato Sauce
Carrot Cake Muffin

Wednesday 12th December

Fish & Chips
Arctic Roll

Thursday 13th December

Chicken Korma
Frozen Yoghurt

Friday 14th December

Margarita Pizza
Chocolate Muffin

Monday 17th December

Fish Fingers & Chips
Raspberry Bun

Tuesday 18th December

Macaroni Cheese
Australian Crunch

Wednesday 19th December

Meat Loaf
Chocolate Cookie

Thursday 20th December

Christmas Dinner

Friday 21st December

Sausage & Chips
Chocolate Flapjack

Festive Dates for the Diary

A Christingle candle will be coming home today. Donation boxes can either be taken to church for the Christingle Service on Christmas Eve or brought into school before we finish on Friday 21st December. Thank you.

9.12.18—Nativity Play in Church @ 4pm

10.12.18—School Nativity in Church @ 1.30pm

12.12.18—Pupils to visit church to look at the Christmas Tableau on display (Willow and Sycamore Classes)

13.12.18—PTA Christmas Fair in School @3.30pm—5pm

20.12.18—Christmas Dinner (return slips by tomorrow) for those children on packed lunches who would like a Christmas dinner)

20.12.18—Christmas Jumper Day

20.12.18—KS2 Christmas Party—Christmas Jumper Day

21.12.18—KS1 Christmas Party—Wear party clothes all day

24.12.18—Christingle Service in Church @ 4pm—all welcome

Admissions

Please make sure that you apply for your child's primary school place - any child born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015. We are also compiling a list of younger pupils who live in our catchment area. If you know of anyone, or hear of someone moving into the area- please pass on our details. We encourage prospective parents to visit school during the day to see the learning that is taking place.

We are looking forward to welcoming a number of pre-school age siblings of existing pupils who are due to start school next September, but are keen to attract new children as well. If you know of anyone considering schools, please do let them know about our wonderful school and invite them along!

Parent Governor

We had one application, from Mr Julian White, so he has been appointed to the governing body. He comes with a background in education and we are delighted that he has volunteered for this role.

We therefore still have on vacancy for a parent governor. We shall open this position for nominations again - closing date 20th December. If you are interested please speak to Mrs Peel, Mrs Ellis (Chair of governors) or Mrs Aldous (Clerk to governors).

Music Lessons

There is an extra piano lesson as one was missed earlier in the term - this will take place on 19th December - please remember to bring in your music.

PTA News

The Christmas fair is fast approaching and we still need donations and offers of help on the day. If you could help with any of the following it would be much appreciated.

- Donations of bottles for the bottle tombola (bottles of anything, drinks, bubble baths etc)
- Gifts for the secret santa room (for adult family members)
- Any baking on the day is greatly appreciated!

Please leave all donations with Mrs Aldous in reception. We will be setting up around 1pm, if you are able to come along and help that would be great. We also need help clearing away afterwards, the more hands helping, the quicker it will be!

We have some great prizes for our raffle including family days out, beauty vouchers, food and drink. Tickets are on sale before and after school from Claire Cadman-Bond in the school playground or Mrs Aldous in school. £1 per ticket. The next PTA meeting will be held at The Old Swan at 7.30pm on 22nd January 2019

Achievement Assembly

Bring in your medals/certificates/awards achieved out of school over the last 6 months for our assembly on Tuesday 18th December.

Enrichments Events

A selection of photos follow from Friday 30th November The Christmas Truce (A history day with Mr King). This was an inspirational day and the pupils were asked to think deeply about the events of Christmas through drama, role play and dressing up.

Whole school 'Developing Spirituality Day' - Tuesday 4th December. With the help of Reverend Peter Thomas, the children took part in an 'Exploring Spirituality' day. They did this by looking at life's journey with all its ups and downs, and twists and turns. They took part in lots of fun activities and produced some amazing displays. I hope they came home gossiping good things about their day. If not, make sure to ask them about it!

Skipton Brass with Sycamore class - Tuesday 11th December—Exciting times.



New Spring Term Menu

Please see the attached menu for our return after Christmas—return choices before we break up on 21st December. Please remember that we require notice for you to swap from packed lunches to school meals and vice versa. Payment should be made in advance on the school gateway.

Foodbank Donations

We invite you to have coffee in Church before the Nativity performance at 1pm on Monday 10th December (performance at 1.30pm). Instead of monetary donations, this year we ask you please bring donations for our local food bank in Skipton. The Food bank need the following items at this time of year to make up Christmas parcels.

Tinned Gammon / Lean Ham
Tinned Chicken
Stuffing mix
Gravy mix
Christmas Pudding – all sizes!
Custard packets
Christmas Cake Bar
Small box of Biscuits
Savoury biscuits/crackers
Box of chocolates
Chocolate Selection packs
Hot Chocolate
Mince Pies
Toiletries gift box for men, women or families/children
Christmas Crackers

If you cannot make the Nativity but would still like to donate, please pass on to Cathryn Turner who will be arranging the delivery of the donations at the end of next week. There is a collection point in St Andrews church or more details on the website, www.skiptonfoodbank.org if you'd like to support the charity throughout the year. Thank you.