

Gargrave C of E Primary School Thursday 7th September 2017



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Welcome everyone to a new term and a new school year. We hope you have had a fun holiday. The pupils are look smart in their uniform with shiny school shoes. It is fabulous to have eighteen new starters and school. They are:

Beatrix Bullock
Asher Green
James Hardwick
Hannah Pawson
Jessica Taylor
Alice Walton-Brown

Fletcher Eyles
Beatrice Green
Elijah Ingham
Dottie Robinson
Isabelle Taylor
Poppy White

Lily Gilman
Amy Halls
Ralph MacGregor
Sahara Robinson
Ava Rose Teasdale
Josie Whitworth

We also welcome Jake & Woody Barnwell, Imogen Gilmartin, Amira Spataru and Paige Flinn-Smith to our school and community, please look out for them and help them to fit in quickly.

Collaboration

We have had two joint staff training, looking at on-line calendars and sharing files electronically, making the most of outdoor learning, vision, aims of the schools and priorities. We are establishing communication systems that work for all groups as we work collaboratively across two schools.

If you have questions about the learning and progress of your child, you should ring or e-mail school on 01756 749433 or admin@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk, or speak directly to your child's class teacher.

I am the head teacher of both schools. I am responsible for both settings independently of each other. However, I can't be in two places at once. There will be a pattern of one day one week and two the next in Kirkby, the rest in Gargrave. These days will change due to commitments. However I shall be contactable and respond accordingly to questions and queries.

We know that parents are a key strength and your support is invaluable, thank you. Day to day communication is via the planner, so please use this. This needs to be signed every week and every child needs to take it to and from school every day. Every child should read every day, for 10 minutes minimum and recorded, older pupils may record it themselves. Please familiarise yourself with the planner, it states the vision for the school, holiday dates, uniform expectations, home-school agreement (please read and sign), school rules and anti-bullying. At the back of the planner are some useful pages on the Maths and English curriculum.

Kit

It is essential that the correct PE kit is in school for the half-term. Please also ensure that your child wears the correct school uniform, including school shoes (Not trainers) during the day. If your child is ill we require a phone call by 9:15am as we operate a first day contact system.

Behaviour

All pupils are expected to behave well in school and we appreciate your support in ensuring that this happens. They should be aware of the school rules (in planner) and make the right choices. When this doesn't happen, we would like your support in re-enforcing the expectations. This is essential for good learning and maximum learning opportunities. We are determined to deal with poor behaviour.

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Every Child Counts: Every Child Contributes

Lisa's Kitchen



This is the main choice—there is a vegetarian option available every day (as per menus sent at the start of term)

Monday 11th September

Pizza
Chocolate Surprise Cake

Tuesday 12th September

Cottage Pie
Apple Cinnamon Crunch

Wednesday 13th September

Roast Chicken
Krispie Date Crunch

Thursday 14th September

Organic Pork Meatballs
Arctic Roll & Peaches

Friday 15th September

Breaded Salmon Fillet
Swiss Bun

Monday 18th September

Roasted Vegetable Tomato
Pasta
Chocolate Semolina
& Mandarins

Tuesday 19th September

Minced Beef & Dumpling
Custard Cookie & Apple
Wedge

Wednesday 20th September

Chicken Korma & Savoury
Rice
Fruity Gingerbread & Custard

Thursday 21st September

Tex Mex Bake
Autumn Marble Berry Sponge

Friday 22nd September

Fish Fingers
Apple Cake

Dr Lindsay

We are delighted to announce that Dr Lindsay and Mr Lindsay are expecting their first child. The child is due in the new year and Dr Lindsay intends to go on her maternity leave commencing in January. We shall be recruiting a teacher to cover this position- we shall keep you posted.

Lunches

If your child is in Reception, Y1 or Y2, there is no charge for school lunches (the government pays for it). For children in Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6, the cost of a school lunch is £2.20 per day (£11 per week). This is payable **in advance of meals taken** via the school gateway.

Year 6 Transition

Good luck and work hard to the boys and girls in year 6 who are taking selection tests. As a reminder they are on:
Ermysteds Grammar School, Saturday 9th and Saturday 16th Sept
Skipton Girls' High School, Saturday 23rd Sept
There may be further open days, watch out for them.

Consent/Data Forms

Please find attached the following forms which need completing and returning to school ASAP:-
Who can collect your child from school or if they can leave school alone—all to complete
Data collection sheet—all to complete even if there are no changes
Swimming Consent—Y3/Y4 only

Y3/Y4 Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons begin next Monday (11th September). Y3/Y4 children will travel to Craven Pool on Bibby's coach each Monday until we break up for Christmas (14 lessons). The cost of this is £3.00 per lesson (£42 for the block) and will be available to pay on the school gateway. Please do not send cash into school. Children will need to bring a swimming costume, towel and goggles if they wear them. They may also bring a healthy snack to eat afterwards. Please complete and return the attached consent tomorrow.

Head Lice

We have been informed about a case of head lice in Willow Class. Please check your child's hair and treat as necessary. Please remember to check regularly as eggs may hatch after initial treatment.

Apple Class—Information

A very big welcome to our new starters in Reception! The children have settled well into Apple Class and have been very busy exploring their new classroom. Please could we ask that **all** uniform, coats, shoes and PE kit are named - they all look the same once in a heap after a PE lesson! PE lessons will take place on Wednesdays and Fridays. Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school, preferably at all times.

Your child has been given a planner. These must be brought into class each day and they will be checked by Mrs Spensley or Mrs Martinez. Notes will be written in the planners and we encourage parents to write in these too.

We are looking at special books - please could your child bring a book to school that is special to them, which they can then share with the class.

Triangle Club Bookings

This is the new name for out of school club. Please use the school gateway to book your child into sessions. It is listed as Triangle Club on the school gateway.

Gargrave Pantomime Group presents..... PETER PAN

Our 2018 performance will be Peter Pan showing at Gargrave Village Hall Thursday to Saturday 15th - 17th February. Calling all dancers, singers, actors, make-up artists, back stage crew and sound / lighting / costume technicians - we'd love to have as many people involved as possible and give you a chance to share your talents! Gargrave Pantomime Group is a friendly local production which welcomes anyone who would like to be involved.

Sign up will be on Thursday 14th September 7pm at Gargrave Village Hall - adults, young people and children over age 5 (Year 1) and above welcome. Auditions will be held on Thursday 21st September. Rehearsals will be held weekly from the end of September on Thursday evenings with additional rehearsals on Sundays from January onwards. For further information please contact Paul Maslin (panto@maslin.biz or 0795864509) or just join us on Thursday 14th September - second star to the right and straight on to Gargrave Village Hall!

Summer Reading Challenge

Calling all participants in this year's Summer Reading Challenge!!

You have until Saturday the 9th of September to complete your challenge and earn your medal!

We want everyone who has signed up to finish if they can, so please pop into the library to make sure you do! Gargrave and Malhamdale Library is open Friday 8th September 2-5pm and Saturday 9th September 10am-1pm.

Music Lessons

We currently have peripatetic piano and guitar teachers weekly in school. Lessons begin next week and children should have their music and instruments (where necessary). Guitar lessons will be held on Wednesdays 11-40-12.10 and piano lessons will be Fridays 9.30-10.50. If your child is interested in learning an instrument, please visit <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/music-lessons-and-instrument-hire> for more information and how to apply.

Dance Class

Fire House Dance will be continuing to run their exciting after school dance class on Mondays. The session scheduled is as follows:

Reception and Yrs 1, 2 and 3

11th Sept 2017 - 16th October 2017 inclusive (6 sessions)

The classes will be held on Mondays 3.15-4.15pm. To book a place please contact school. The half term block costs £18, payments must be made in advance on the Gateway system. Please send your child with appropriate clothing (shorts, tshirt and trainers)

The sessions will incorporate a wide variety of dance styles including Street dance and are designed to include a full warm up and cool down. Our experience working in other schools around the area means we can create classes that are fun and age appropriate as well as inspiring and a great way to improve co-ordination, interaction, posture, rhythm and musicality.

I am a very experienced and qualified dance teacher. I hold a full DBS check and Insurance and have full teaching qualifications with a range of different Dance Teaching Associations. Looking forward to it!

FIRE HOUSE DANCE

Howard Bullock A.NATD, A.ADA, F.IDTA.

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Dates for Diaries

Date	Event	Info
9.9.17	Selection Testing @ Ermysteds	
11.9.17	Swimming Lessons—Y3/Y4	Return Consent, pay on gateway
11.9.17	Dance Lessons with Howard begin (6 weeks)	Advise School if place required
12.9.17	Kanga Sports—Football (5 weeks)	3.15-4.15
13.9.17	Trip to Star Centre, Keighley—Y4/Y5	Letter sent
15.9.17	Hearing Tests—Y1	
16.9.17	Selection Testing @ Ermysteds	
19.9.17	Cross Country	Details to follow
23.9.17	Grounds Morning in School	Details to follow
23.9.17	Selection Testing @ SGHS	
26.9.17	Y3 Orienteering	Details to follow
29.9.17	Harvest Festival @ Church	Details to follow
6.10.17	Y4/Y4 Football @ Sandylands	Details to follow
10.10.17	Ilkley Literature Festival—Y3/Y4	Letter to follow
13.10.17	Y5/Y6 Football @ Sandylands	Details to follow
16.10.17	NSPCC Workshop—Y5/Y6	Details to follow
17.10.17	Parents Evening 3.30-7.30	Details to follow
18.10.17	Parents Evening 3.30-6.00	Details to follow
20.10.17	School Closes	
30.10.17	School Re-Opens	