

# Gargrave C of E Primary School Thursday 7th November 2019



## White Ribbons

Fin (super effort with phonics)  
 Annabelle (amazing effort with reading)  
 Toby (being an amazing listener and fantastic construction this week)  
 Phoebe (fantastic maths—much better number recognition)  
 Alistair (brilliant effort with phonics)  
 Beatrix (super contribution in class discussions)  
 Hannah (fabulous reading)  
 Elijah (improved focus)  
 Leah (positive and hardworking attitude this week)  
 Annabel (working hard to improve her maths)  
 Matthew & Eliza (super work in maths)  
 Paris (helping another child with maths and picking up coats!)  
 Minny (apply grammar rules in all subjects)  
 Evie Alice (showing all our school values)  
 Amy (trying really hard in handwriting group)  
 George (excellent effective painting composition)  
 Samuel (neat free hand painting)  
 Freddie (always working co-operatively and contributing in every lesson)  
 Woody (making much more of an effort to read and learn times tables)  
 Euan (fantastic paired work in maths)  
 Becca (good contributions in WCGR)  
 Ashleigh—for producing a super piece of work on the history of the telescope  
 Gracie-Mae—for contributing more in class and group work  
 Isaac—for making more of an effort with handwriting  
 Grace—for listening to feedback and acting upon it, especially in writing

**Head Boy/Head Girl Nominations**

Annabelle (always smiling)	Freddie (Perseverance with speed in TTR)
Alfred (good sportsman in playground leaders)	Cara (being a great friend)

### Forthcoming Class Worship

Parents/grandparents/friends and relatives are invited to the following class worships starting at 9am:-  
 Oak—Thursday 21st November  
 Apple—Tuesday 19th November

### Year 4 football

This has finally been arranged for Wednesday 13th November, in the afternoon. The same pupils will play and Mrs Walton-Brown and Mrs Peel will transport them. Any questions please speak to either leaders.

### After School Clubs

This term clubs are KANGA action ball games (Mondays), details with your child today—starting Monday 18th November  
 Mad Science club (Thursdays)  
 Young Voices (Tuesday lunchtimes)

Year 6 will be offered a writing club run by Mrs Dawson and other teachers will support the pupils to give them confidence in their ability to write. More details will follow.

### Open Maths Lesson

Thank you to the 24 parents who attended. We are really interested to hear your views on this and also about future open events. Please return the slip (handed out today to those parents who attended). If you were unable to attend but have ideas and thoughts for the future please speak to Mrs Peel one morning or after school.

### Remembrance Service - 11th November

We shall be walking to the Cenotaph on Monday 11th in Gargrave for our annual remembrance day service. All welcome 11am.

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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 11th November

Exeter Shortcake  
Chocolate Crispie

### Tuesday 12th November

Pasta Bolognaise  
Swiss Bun

### Wednesday 13th November

Sausage Roll  
Chocolate Brownie

### Thursday 14th November

Meatballs & Rice  
Syrup Sponge & Custard

### Friday 15th November

Fish Fingers  
Muffin

### Monday 18th November

Meat & Potato Pie  
Grannies Crunch

### Tuesday 19th November

Roast Chicken  
Chocolate Ice Cream

### Wednesday 20th November

Sausage & Mash  
Sticky Toffee Pudding

### Thursday 21st November

Fish & Chips  
Marble Buns

### Friday 22nd November

Chicken Korma  
Raspberry Bun

### Anti-bullying week

Next week is anti-bullying week. The pupils will be learning about this over a series of lessons and in worship. The theme is 'Change Starts With Us'. We shall learn how small changes can make big differences to how people feel. As part of the week, we encourage pupils to wear Odd Socks, or Colourful tights on **Tuesday 12th November**.

It is several years since we created our Stop Bullying badges, so we shall be asking the pupils to design a new badge - the winning design will then be made into badges, one for each child. This will be done in school.

### Tempest Photographs

On Tuesday 12th November the photographer is in school. Please could all pupils wear their uniform (not Raving Reader non-uniform) so that they look consistent and smart. Don't worry about the colourful socks (see anti-bullying message above) as it is a head and shoulders picture.

### Children in Need—Friday 15th November

Wear something spotty and donate £1 to this charity. A variety of products are also available to purchase for this cause. Year 6 will be selling on the yard each morning (see attached posted).

### Primary Maths Challenge

Some year 5 and 6 pupils will take part in this challenge next week - we shall let you know how they get on.

### Bags 2 School

The bags were picked up yesterday— what a haul we had! We raised £120.00 (300kg of items) towards the cost of computers. Thank you everyone for sorting through unwanted items in the half term.

### North Yorkshire Sports Hall Athletics Event/Trials—Year 5 & 6

Various running events, all sprint based (ie not endurance) and use Reversaboard. If athletes have not used these before, they will be fine as they will soon get used to them. Field events include standing long, standing triple, vertical jump, balance test, high stepper, speed bounce, chest push, soft javelin, target throw.

Saturday 23rd November  
2pm-4pm  
at Upper Wharfedale School, Grassington  
Cost £5.00

Must book in advance at [nyorkshiresportshall@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nyorkshiresportshall@hotmail.co.uk). Give name, gender (if not obvious), date of birth, age group, phone number and school.

### Flu Immunisations Second Round —15th November

If your child missed the first round and you would like your child to have it, please collect a form from Mrs Aldous.

### STEM Showcase

Some year 6 are going to SGHS on Thursday 14th November. Mrs Martinez will accompany the pupils.

### Aldi Stickers

This scheme has now finished. Can you have a look at home to see if you have any laying about as we only need another 44 stickers to complete our second chart. Please send in Monday at the latest. Thank you.

### Badminton—Thursday 14th November

The times have changed for this, it now is from 2:15-3:45. Any year 5 or year 6 pupils are welcome to attend. We can take a maximum of 16 pupils. We shall travel there on Emmadale bus. Your child will need to be collected from Sandylands afterwards. Please return the slip if you are interested. Mrs Peel will accompany the pupils- but will need a lift back to school!

### Future Events

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November –Christianity Around the World (whole school day) - led by Scargill House and Mrs Comerford  
Wednesday 19th November—Willow class visit church during the day for an hour.  
Week beginning 25th November - internal test week for year 3, 4, 5 and 6.  
Tuesday 26th November—year 5 will go to Sandylands for an orienteering event. Transport there and back will be provided.  
Thursday 12th December—Nativity in Church –2pm-3pm (**please note this is a new date** as the church had a prior commitment)

### PTA News

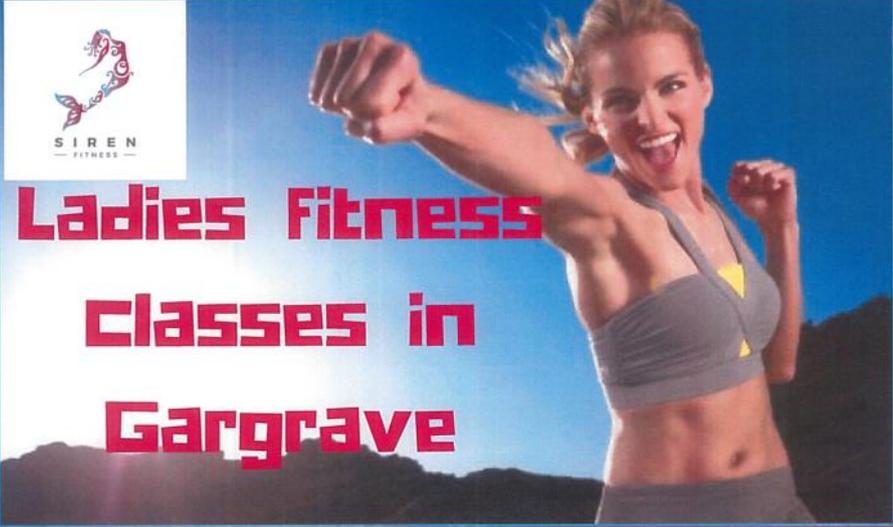
The next PTA meeting is on Tuesday 12th November at 7.00pm The Masons Arms, Gargrave where we will discuss the Christmas Fair. All very welcome.

We are also looking to appoint a new secretary, if anyone is interested in becoming a key member within the PTA, please get in touch. We appreciate that not everyone can commit to attending every meeting. Thank you to Helen for her support as secretary and her continued support in future events.

### Cross Country

Congratulations to the following pupils on their achievement at the North Yorkshire School Games Cross Country finals at Dalby Forest on Tuesday (in the pouring rain). They represented Gargrave School and the Craven area—we are very proud of them. They all did extremely well as each race had between 60 and 70 runners.

Ethan—16th place  
Holly E—6th place  
Alex—41st place  
Oliver—53rd place  
Holly F—38th place



**Ladies Fitness  
Classes in  
Gargrave**

**Mondays at Gargrave Primary School  
Dance Cardio 7pm-7.45pm  
Deep Core & Strengthening 7.45-8.30pm**

Please contact SIREN FITNESS for more info or to book  
07814 887071 [fitness@firehousestudios.uk](mailto:fitness@firehousestudios.uk)

# **Children in Need 2019**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

**This year, Oak class are hosting Children in Need at Gargrave Primary School.**

**Donate £1 and wear something spotty.**

**We will be selling Children in Need Merchandise from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> of November in the playground before school**



**Dudsey/Blush bear ears cost £2.50 each and L.E.D Dudsey bear keyrings cost £2.**



## **Ermysteds Grammar School—Admissions Consultation (for entry in September 2021)**

The Governors of Ermysted's Grammar School are consulting on changes to the School's admissions policy for September 2021. The proposals include changes to the oversubscription criteria and to the testing arrangements. The policy under consultation is for entry in September 2021, which will affect applicants sitting the Year 7 Entrance Test in September 2020.

The consultation will run until 12:00 pm (noon) on Friday, 29 November 2019. Governors welcome responses to this consultation, by email via [consult@ermysteds.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:consult@ermysteds.n-yorks.sch.uk).

### **Commentary on the Admissions Consultation** **For entry in September 2021 (testing in September 2020)**

#### *What is the prompt for the change?*

The Local Authority, which has run the School's Year 7 admissions for many years, has indicated to the School that it will have to withdraw this support. The School will therefore assume control of testing and the admissions process for entry in September 2021, which has required changes to the School's Admissions Policy. This has resulted in the need for public consultation.

#### *When does the change take effect?*

This consultation is on the Admissions Policy for September 2021, for which testing will take place in September 2020.

#### *Has the Published Admissions Number ('PAN') changed?*

**No** – the PAN remains 120 for entry in Year 7 and 20 for external pupils joining the School in Year 12.

#### *Has the catchment area changed?*

**No** – the existing catchment area is unchanged.

#### *Why have disadvantaged children (identified via eligibility for the Pupil Premium) been added to the oversubscription criteria?*

The School has seen an increase in the number of disadvantaged pupils admitted in recent years but governors remain committed to broadening participation irrespective of a pupil's economic background.

#### *Why has the methodology used to determine the 'required standard' changed?*

In recent years, the entrance test has changed in structure and location. Testing has moved from two sessions held at the candidate's primary school to one session held at Ermysted's. This has resulted in fewer in area candidates choosing to sit the entrance test than was the case when the current methodology was originally developed. As a significant number of in area pupils are not tested, it is no longer possible to identify the 28<sup>th</sup> percentile.

#### *Why is the 'required standard' defined as the score achieved by the 140<sup>th</sup> candidate when the scores of all candidates are placed in descending rank order?*

Under the legacy admissions policy, on average, approximately 140 candidates<sup>1</sup> were deemed to have reached the required academic standard each year, over the past four years.

#### *What will be the format of the Entrance Test?*

It is proposed to use two multiple-choice papers, each of approximately 50 minutes in length. The papers are provided by GL Assessment. The papers assess a candidate's aptitude in English and mathematics and their ability in verbal and non-verbal reasoning. One paper contains a mixture of questions on mathematics and non-verbal reasoning; the other, a mixture of questions on verbal reasoning and English. Both papers contain timed sections.

#### *Why has the test format changed?*

Governors believe that by including questions on English and mathematics, as well as questions on verbal and non-verbal reasoning, the papers will more-closely replicate an applicant's experience of the KS2 curriculum and thus provide a format which is more familiar and more accessible to candidates.

#### *Why are the four subjects not assessed in separate papers?*

This option was considered but, given the age of the candidates, governors were keen to ensure that the total assessment time was kept under two hours. Governors believe the new combination papers offer the desired blend of breadth and brevity.

#### *Why is the Entrance Test registration deadline not earlier / later than 6 July 2020?*

This date was chosen as it falls after the School's Open Evening<sup>2</sup> – thereby allowing applicants to visit the School beforehand – but leaves sufficient time to notify the test provider of the number of test papers required. It also allows the Admissions Committee time enough to receive, consider and respond to any requests for special arrangements.

#### *How can I help my child prepare?*

Familiarisation materials are available free-of-charge on the GL Assessment website.<sup>3</sup> These materials include exemplar questions on English, mathematics, verbal and non-verbal reasoning. They will allow candidates to become familiar with the type of questions likely to be asked in the Entrance Test, the layout of the test booklets and answer sheet, and provide information about how candidates should write their answers on the answer sheet.

For any other queries, please contact the School (01756 792186).

<sup>1</sup> The four-year average (2016 to 2019) of candidates deemed to have reached the required standard is 142.3 at the time of writing.

<sup>2</sup> Expected to take place on Tuesday, 30 June 2020, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

<sup>3</sup> GL Assessment (<https://www.gl-assessment.co.uk/free-familiarisation>)