

Gargrave C of E Primary School Thursday 2nd April 2020



White Ribbons

Annabelle (great school values and being a fantastic member of Apple class)
 Isabelle (an amazing attitude to learning)
 Thomas (amazing manners)
 Lilly (being respectful)
 Alice (A good team player)
 Max & James (team work in programming be-bot)
 Scarlet & Bradley (great listening and working hard)
 All of Year 6 (for being very grown up and coping with our disappointments so well)

Head Boy/Head Girl Nominations

Lily (for being a great friend)
 Isla (for growing more confident)

School news

Firstly on behalf of all the staff and governors we wish to send our best wishes to every child, their families and friends. Stay safe.

Many thanks for your lovely messages sent to staff during these rapidly changing days.

Curriculum

We have tried to issue work (we initially imagined for a fortnight) for each year group, and class teachers will review this over the Easter holiday. Please give feedback to class teachers via e-mail, so we can plan a best way forward.

Class teachers can be contacted on: -

appleclass@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk
 ash@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk
 willow@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk
 sycamore@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk
 oak@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk

Class teachers love to receive photos and descriptions of what their pupils are doing, so make use of e-mail for this too. It will be strange but the Easter holidays are from this Friday until Monday 20th April.

Class teachers will send class e-mails out every Monday and Thursday, at a minimum, If you don't receive one - send an email to your respective class Email address as detailed above and you will be sent one individually. There seem to be glitches with the group e-mails but we are hoping this improves, thank you for your patience.

Contact

Please keep in touch with us via class e-mail address. If you would like to speak to a member of staff please ring 01756 749433 and leave a message, a member of staff will then contact you.

Gargrave CE (VC) Primary School, Neville Road, Gargrave, BD23 3RE
Tel: 01756 749433
Email: admin@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk
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Educational visits

Year 6 were due to go to Bewerley Park- we shall either re-arrange (depending on re-opening dates) or refund. We should know more after Easter

Year 6 London - I really can't see this happening- refunds have been given.

Year 5 – we shall re-arrange the YHA visit for the next academic year (the YHA are closed until end of July at the earliest).

Year 4 - we shall book a visit to walk to Malham during 2020-2021- something to look forward to.

Reduced Provision

We are operating 'reduced provision' for the families of key workers. All staff are working in teams of 3 on a weekly basis for school hours. We feel that providing a local safe space enables us to reduce travel and tries to keep children and staff safe.

This will continue over the Easter holidays with the exception of bank holidays. If you feel that you qualify and need this provision, we need an e-mail with key worker status and you can book in via admin@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk

Free School Meals

We have been working to try to secure funding for meals for the pupils who are eligible for free school meals, we are arranging vouchers to be spent in the Co-op for FSM pupils. We shall contact the parents who are eligible once they arrive in school.

The government have just announced a voucher scheme so this will be used after the Easter holidays—we will send more details once we have them. Any queries regarding FSM use admin@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk.

Staffing

Mrs Comerford and Dr Lindsay have both handed in their notice and will be leaving our school. We wish them all the best with their future, wherever this might be. Many thanks to them for their hard work at Gargrave Primary School, the pupils have enjoyed their lessons and more recently the fabulous trip to Young Voices. Mrs Peel and the governors are working on recruitment for these vacancies.

Field adjacent to School field

A small part of the school field, adjacent to the main road, will be used by Woolers, as a compound for the storage of plant for their site during building works. This will be for two years and then the land will be returned to its current state and remains the property of North Yorkshire County Council.



Science Week- CSI day run by SGHS

This was a fabulous day, and all the pupils solved the crime....it was Mrs Gilmartin!! They pieced together evidence from blood sample, footprints, hair samples, and the fact that she has a cat.

Here's hoping that we have inspired pupils to enjoy and learn more science.

Child Protection

As the school is closed, and we are operating reduced provision, an addendum has been made to our child protection policy. This has been uploaded to the school website. If you are struggling, or need support and advice, please contact school, or use the numbers on the policy.

On-line safety

Where can I go to get support to help keep my child safe online?
There is a lot of support available to keep your child safe online. Below are some useful links to help parents and carers:-

- [Thinkyouknow](#) (advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online)
- [Internet matters](#) (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- [Parent info](#) (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- [LGfL](#) (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- [Net-aware](#) (support for parents and careers from the NSPCC)

Beyond School

Skipton Food Bank Telephone Number: 07856 080194
Facebook pages to join and watch for info and fun ideas:-
Gargrave community notice board
Gargrave coronavirus community group

Thank you to Gemma Tetley for providing the following information:-

Decorate your window with bright pictures and positive words for anyone walking or driving by to see is encouraged.

We are hoping that you'd like to take part in a community art project open to the whole village to participate in? We would like each family/person to create a tree to represent each household to be part of a community forest! Any size (but maybe no bigger than A2) and in any colour! The trunk and branches painted or using bits of spare material, or any paper from magazines etc. Any spare material that you think would look good to represent a tree trunk and its branches to start with. Detailed leaves could be added as well as creatures, butterflies or insects or maybe blossoms? You could have the names of each person in your family written on or a simple word or sentence that's meaningful to you? What about making a poem up? It could be all about your family or maybe about our wonderful village! It's totally up to you!

We hope to create a huge fabulous woodland with them all and display it so we can all see the love for our village and its community, showing unity even during our isolation in a wonderful display of artwork that represent the residents of Gargrave!

For more details, please head over to the Gargrave coronavirus community group on face book.

Blessings from Annette, Shar, Gina and Gem.

And finally.....

Most of all, be kind to yourself and each other, we wish everyone to stay physically and mentally healthy.

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Current UK Government and NHS Coronavirus guidance remains the same

Stay at Home

You should only leave the house for 1 of 4 reasons:

- ✓ shopping for basics, e.g. food and medicine, as infrequently as possible
- ✓ one form of exercise a day, e.g. a run, walk, or cycle – alone or with members of your household only
- ✓ any medical need, or to provide care or to help a vulnerable person
- ✓ travelling to and from work, but only where work cannot be done from home

wash your hands frequently

you can spread the virus even if you don't have symptoms



If you have no one to ask for help, call North Yorkshire County Council on **01609 780780**



If you know anyone who is not on face book that wants to volunteer to help, please contact Gemma Tetley on gemmatetley@hotmail.com who will be able to send a link to the step into action volunteer form.

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