

Gargrave C of E Primary School Thursday 10th November 2022



Issue 5



White Ribbons

Sienna—Amazing story shared with her class
Matilda—Super attitude to learning and great phonics
Jude—Trying hard with his phonics
Stanley B—Amazing maths
Jack—Great reading progress
Harry—Enjoying maths with Miss Heseltine
Lily—Kindness to others
Phoebe—A super comic strip
Toby—Good effort in maths and fluent in five
Archie—Fantastic effort with reading
Lenny—A positive attitude to learning in all subjects
Finn—Eagerness to please and great enthusiasm to learning
Hannah—Good ideas—really enjoying learning
Lilly—Trying hard—a good last week of term
James—Being an enthusiastic learner
Lexi—Really challenged herself at swimming
Jake & Alesha—Super effort in the battle on TTRS
Arran—Amazing participation in music
Wilf—Great teamwork and listening to instructions in maths

Remembrance Day

Thank you to everyone for buying poppies and remembrance day items this week. We shall be walking to the cenotaph in the village for 11am on 11th November to pay our respects and observe a 2 minutes silence. You are all welcome to meet us there.

Writing

We are holding a whole school writing morning on Monday, we look forward to inspiring all our pupils to write and become more confident.

After School Clubs

There is one more week of after school clubs and then there will be a break until new clubs will be offered in the new year. It has been lovely to see pupils at the nature and nurture club, Craft & Sunday School and Young Voices. Keep practising as your event takes place on 1st February 2023. Music is available at <https://open.spotify.com/album/1MrGxAUWIWd9ZRXeIWwT9D?si=pRPcNgPcRkSMXXJKI78EFQ&nd=1>

Kanga

Dodgeball will continue on Mondays 3.15-4.15 until 5th December. There are currently 22 pupils booked in.

Spanish

Mrs Martinez will continue running a Spanish after school club this term. So far it has been a success and children are both learning and having a great time. It is open for children in years 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5. Please complete the attached form if your child would like to attend.

Parking

Another week of rain has seen parents stopping on the zig zag lines outside school to avoid getting wet. The lines are there for safety reasons so please do not stop on them to drop your child off. Please park away from school or in the village hall and walk. Thank you.

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"Work With All Your Heart"

Menu

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

Monday 14th November

Fish & Chips
Raspberry Bun

Tuesday 15th November

Beef Burrito Salad
Chocolate Cookie

Wednesday 16th November

Roast Chicken Dinner
Lemon Sponge & Custard

Thursday 17th November

Sausage & Mash
Flapjack

Friday 18th November

Pasta Bolognese
Custard Biscuit

Monday 21st November

Fish Fingers & Chips
Cornflake Tart

Tuesday 22nd November

Beef Nachos
Swiss Bun

Wednesday 23rd November

Pizza & Wedges
Sponge & Custard

Thursday 24th November

Chicken Tomato Pasta
Ginger Biscuit

Friday 25th November

Roast Ham, Potatoes & Salad
Rice Pudding

Safeguarding

Anti-bullying week 14th -19th November

We shall be learning about anti-bullying messages next week, the theme is 'reach out' - Who do we reach out to? This will be explored in worship and PSHCE lessons. To launch the week we are having an odd-socks day on **Monday 14th November**. Just wear odd socks for the day.

Please also see the last page of the newsletter with details of how to combat online bullying.

Odd Socks Day

This will take place on the first day of Anti-Bullying Week, Monday 14th November to help raise awareness for Anti-Bullying Week. Odd Socks Day is a chance for schools to celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a

positive way by asking pupils and staff to wear odd socks to school. There is no pressure to wear the latest fashion or buy expensive costumes. All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks, it could not be simpler!



Focus Group for Parents

We are trying to book the local PCSO to talk about internet safety with parents at our monthly drop-in. We will keep you updated on dates.

Governors

The board of governors has 9 members. There is currently one space for a parent governor. Please speak to school if you're interested.

Concerns

If you have any concerns about anything at all, please do call into school, telephone or email. We are here to help.

Bags 2 School (Collection 25/11/22)

Don't forget to start your clear-out of men's, ladies and children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts and accessories in order to raise funds for school. No uniform, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric. Bags can be brought into school from **Wednesday 23rd**

November (as we have nowhere to store them). If you need more bags, call into school or use your own bin liners.

Children in Need



This year's Children in Need day is on Friday 18th November. We have Pudsey ears (£2.50) and rulers (£2.00) on sale in school from Monday. By purchasing this merchandise, you can help change the lives of disadvantaged children and young people throughout the UK.

Archaeology Day - 18th November

We have 3 archaeologists coming into school to work with Year 5 and Year 6 for the day. They will be excavating outside so pupils need to wear warm outdoor clothing and footwear that may get muddy (wellies are ideal). They have an exciting day planned.

Triangle Club

Triangle Club will be closed from 3.15-6pm on Wednesday 23rd November and Thursday 24th November due to staff training.

Christmas Raffle & Secret Santa

The PTA are contacting local businesses for prizes. Do you work somewhere or have a link to somewhere who might also be able to donate a prize?

We are also looking for gifts for our secret santa. Children will choose a gift for £2.00 for their parents (date to be confirmed). MANY thanks.

Staffing

Mrs Deville will be absent from school from the end of this month as she has a pre-planned operation. We wish her all the best and a speedy recovery.

Miss Heseltine will be away for December as she visits New Zealand on a pre-booked holiday, she returns in the new year. We wish her a fantastic time.

Mrs Abbey gave birth to a gorgeous little boy, George Bernard Abbey. As you can see, both are doing well.

Marrick Priory Year 6 residential 21st – 25th November. Mrs Dawson will be with the pupils for the week with Mrs Peel Monday to Wednesday and Mrs Aldous Wednesday to Friday.

We are currently recruiting for teaching assistant support. If you know anyone who may be interested, please apply via <https://nyccjobs.engageats.co.uk/Vacancies/W/2116/0/368513/20071/gargrave-church-of-england-voluntary-controlled-primary-2-vacancies-for-gta-and-msa> or contact us with any questions. Closing date is Monday 28th November.



Gargrave Library

This term, our children are visiting the library: spending time listening to stories and choosing books to take back and share with each other in school. Gargrave library is a great resource that is free to join and you can borrow several books at once. A great way to read the latest books, all for free!

Opening times:

Monday	3-5 pm
Tuesday	10am -12 noon
Wednesday	2-4 pm
Friday	2-4 pm
Saturday	10am – 12 noon



Raving Readers

Children who have read at least five times in the week to 4.11.22:

The MORE
that you read,
the MORE things
you will know.
The MORE that you
Learn,
the MORE places you'll go.



Year 6: 61%
Year 5: 57%
Year 4: 50%
Year 3: 60%
Year 2: 54%
Year 1: 50%
Reception: 50% (Phonics practice and wordless books count towards your child's Raving Readers)

Let's get those percentage back up!



There is only one jump per day, even if you read in the morning and evening, or if you read more than one book. Your child needs to read at home: if your child reads at school, this doesn't count as a read. Thank you for your support in getting into the habit of reading.

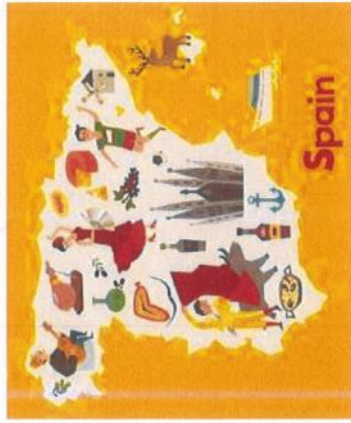
Collective Worship

You are invited to attend your child's Collective Worship on the following dates—9am start. It has also been great to see Willow, Ash and Sycamore class deliver worship and sharing their curriculum.

Apple Class 9am Tuesday 22nd November

Oak Class 9am Tuesday 29th November - [New date is 1st December 2022](#)

Spanish Club Y1-Y5



Dear parent/carer,

I am delighted to inform you that I will continue running a Spanish after school club this term. So far it has been a success and children are both learning and having a great time.

The sessions will start on Tuesday 15th November 3.15 to 4.15.

The cost of each session is £4. In this half term there will be 5 sessions: 15th, 22nd, 29th of November, 6th, 13th of December, the cost of the half term will be £20. If you would like your child to learn not only Spanish, but also our traditions, games and songs, please complete the attached form and return it to the school by Tuesday 15th November or email me the completed form at mercedes@gargrave.n-yorks.sch.uk Please send the form and money in a named envelope indicating 'Spanish club'.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Martinez

Name of the child _____

Class _____

My child will be collected by _____

My contact telephone number is _____

Email _____

I enclosed £20 (Please place the money and form in a named envelope) Print name _____

Signed _____



What Parents & Carers Need to Know about HOW TO COMBAT ONLINE BULLYING



Defined as "ongoing hurtful behaviour towards someone online", cyber-bullying makes its victims feel upset, uncomfortable and unsafe. In the digital world, it has numerous forms – such as hurtful comments on a person's posts or profile; deliberately leaving them out of group chats; sharing embarrassing images or videos of someone; or spreading gossip about them. Cyber-bullying can severely impact a young person's mental health ... so, in support of Anti-Bullying Week, we've provided a list of tips to help trusted adults know what to look for and how to respond to it.



1. GET CONNECTED

Playing online games together with your child or connecting with them on social media (providing they're old enough) is not only fun but also an excellent way of establishing some common ground to discuss things you've both seen or done online – as well as keeping an eye on who your child is communicating with in the digital world.

2. KEEP TALKING

Regular chats with young people about their online lives are good practice in general, but they can also be an excellent refresher to help prevent cyber-bullying situations. Topics you might want to revisit include why it's important to only connect online with people we know and trust, and why passwords should always remain secret (even from our best friends).

3. STAY VIGILANT

Observe your child while they're using technology and just after they've used it. Are they acting normally, or out of character? Possible signs of a problem may include seeming quiet or withdrawn, jumpy or anxious, angry or repeatedly checking their phone. When you feel it's the right time, you may want to check in with them to see if everything is OK.

4. MAKE YOURSELF AVAILABLE

If an online bullying incident does occur, it may take a while before your child is ready to open up about what happened. Just gently remind them that they can always come to you with any problems – and that they won't be in trouble. You might also suggest a trusted family member they could turn to, in case they feel too embarrassed to tell you directly.

5. BE PREPARED TO LISTEN

When conversations about online bullying do take place, they're likely to be difficult, emotional and upsetting for both you and your child. Actively listen to your child while they're bringing you up to speed, and try not to show any judgement or criticism – even if they haven't dealt with the situation in exactly the way you would have hoped.

FURTHER SUPPORT AND ADVICE

If you or your child need additional help with an online bullying issue, here are some specialist organisations that you could reach out to.

Childline: talk to a trained counsellor on 0800 1111 or online at www.childline.org.uk/get-support/

National Bullying Helpline: counsellors are available on 0845 225 5787 or by visiting www.nationalbullyinghelpline.co.uk/cyberbullying.html

The NSPCC: the children's charity has a guide to the signs of bullying at www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/bullying-and-cyberbullying/ and can be reached on 0800 800 5000

6. EMPOWER YOUR CHILD

Depending on their age, your child might not want a parent 'fighting their battles for them'. In that case, talk through their options with them (blocking the perpetrator, deleting the app and so on). By allowing your child to choose the path they take, you're putting them in control but are also demonstrating that you're there to support them along the way.

7. REPORT BULLIES ONLINE

Cyber-bullying often takes place through a particular app, social media platform or online game. If this is happening to your child, encourage them to report the offender to the app or game in question – ideally with screenshots to support their complaint. Most games and apps have reporting tools specifically to stamp out abusive behaviour and protect users.

8. ENCOURAGE EMPATHY

Protecting themselves online is the priority, of course, but young people should also feel empowered to help if they witness other people feeling victim to cyberbullying. Even if they don't feel confident enough to call someone out on their abusive behaviour online, they can still confidentially report that person to the app or game where the bullying occurred.

9. SEEK EXPERT ADVICE

Victims of online bullying frequently experience feelings of isolation and anxiety, a loss of self-esteem and potentially even thoughts of self-harm or suicide. If you think that an incident of cyber-bullying has affected your child's mental wellbeing, then seek psychological support for them. There are some useful contact details in the central panel below.

10. INVOLVE THE AUTHORITIES

If the nature of any online bullying makes you suspect that your child is genuinely in imminent physical danger – or if there are any signs whatsoever of explicit images being shared as part of the bullying – then you should gather any relevant screenshots as evidence and report the incidents to your local police force.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.

