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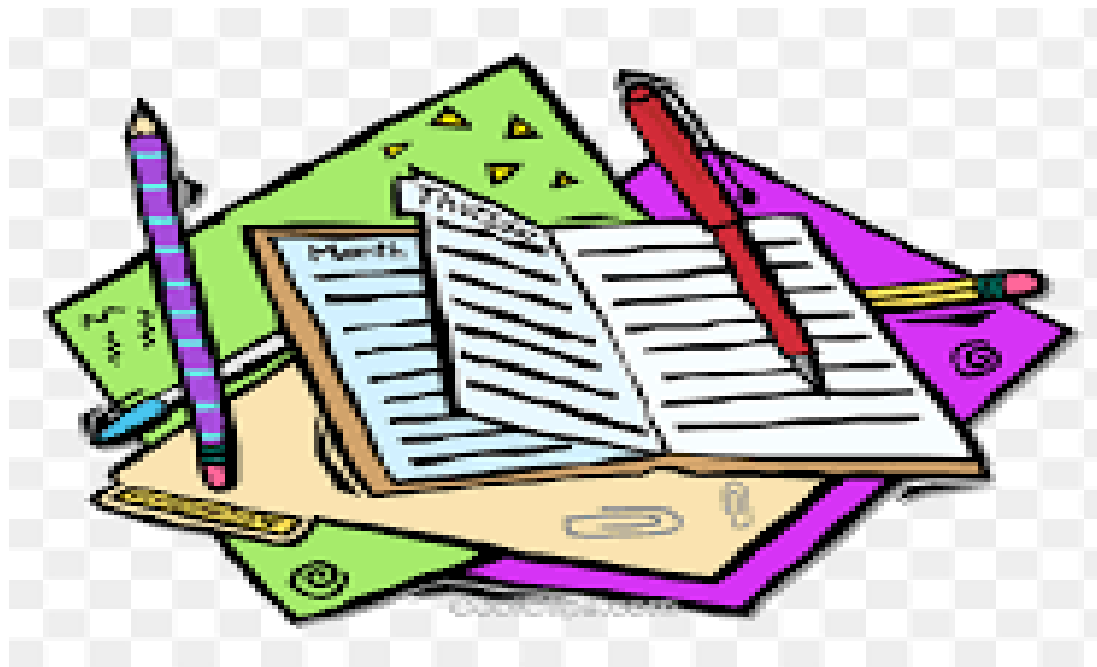
Celebration Assemblies: Thank you to those who have attended our weekly assemblies during this new academic year. It has been lovely to have you with us (Fridays 9.00am). All welcome!

Appointments: If your child has a medical appointment, please can you update us directly via the school office / admin, rather than passing information on via your child / children or a staff member on the playground. This avoids things being lost in translation. We do have a duty of care to check that the information we receive is correct (if we receive a message from a pupil). Please also provide letters / medicals cards for appointments when possible.

School Attendance: Excellent attendance at school is essential to ensure that your child has the best chance of success. The Government expectation for attendance is a minimum of **97%** and parents have a legal responsibility to ensure that their child attends regularly and on time. Anything less than 97% gives cause for concern. I am sure you will appreciate that school attendance is always a priority for us as a Federation and with the added challenges of time missed in school due to the past global pandemic, this is something we closely monitor. Under the Provisions of Section 7 of the Education Act 1996, it is the duty of all parents to ensure their children receive an efficient, full time education following the terms of North Yorkshire Local Authority's Code of Conduct. If this does not happen they have the authority to issue a Penalty Notice. A Penalty Notice is a fine of £60, if paid within the first 21 days of issue, which rises to £120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days. The Local Authority will consider taking legal action if the Penalty Notice is not paid after 28 days of the date of issue. Legal action may result in a fine of up to £1,000 and a criminal record for each parent/ carer. This is why it is extremely important that all pupils attend school if they are fit and well. We appreciate Covid-19 has not gone away and if your child is too poorly to attend we expect that they rest and get themselves better at home. We ask that **all family holidays are planned during the scheduled holiday period**, as these absences have to be recorded as an unauthorised holiday/holiday not agreed (following the DFE code of conduct). Ten unauthorised absences can trigger a fine of £60 (per child). Please note that absences are recorded as AM and PM sessions (Two sessions per day), a full week away from school is ten valuable educational sessions missed. As a school we have a legal obligation to inform the LEA if your child has missed ten unauthorised sessions. If you do not give us a valid reason why your child is absent from school and we have tried to make contact with you to ask, this will be recorded as unauthorised. The odd day here and there without a valid reason can build up - with the possibility of triggering a fine, it is very important to contact school if your child is absent so we can record their absence correctly on our school register/database. **Please note, if fines are issued they come from the LEA (not school).** Please work with us weekly to help us to gain 100% attendance across The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools.

PE Kits: Please bring in PE kits on a Monday and leave them in school to be taken home as the end of the week (or half term to be washed).

School Uniform: Please can school uniform be labelled, this includes **PE kits, coats and water bottles**. If your child can't tie their own laces, we recommend Velcro shoes and trainers.



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Thank you for your continuing support from all the team at Giggleswick Primary School

(Part of The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools)



Notice Board (Other Events)

October - Black History Month



Church Services

Harvest September 2022

Thank you to those who attended our Harvest Service at St Alkelda's Church. We would also like to show our appreciation for the donations of food for the local Food Bank. Thank you to all.



Christmas Craft Fair

Friday 25th November 2022 6.00pm

Great mix of stalls plus Giggleswick Pupils' Handmade Christmas Gifts

Mulled Wine plus lots more

Christmas Raffle Tickets £1 strip

Open Afternoon

Please come along and visit your child's class and look at their work.

Thursday 13th October 2022

From 1.00—3.30pm

All welcome!

Up-coming events!

Halloween Movie Night

Christmas Beetle Drive

Wreath Making Night

Children in Need

Friday 18th November

(Wear Spots - More information to follow)



Singing at Settle Lights Switch On

Saturday 26th November 2022

More information to follow



Coach Gunn Autumn Half Term 2022 Multi Sports & Activity Days

Organised and led by Coach Gunn Limited providing **ACTIVE TRUSTED CHILDCARE**

Mon 24th & Tues
25th October 2022

Open to Boys &
Girls aged 4-12

9am-4pm each
day with FREE
8am-5pm
extended hours

£24 Full Day
£12 Half Day
(9am-12:30pm)
(12:30pm-4pm)

Lunesdale Sports
Centre (LA6 2HJ)
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Sports & activities
include...

NERF
Zorbs
Archery
Dodgeball
Multi Sports
BOUNCY CASTLE
Lego & Let's Craft
...plus lots more!!!

JOIN THE TEAM...

Junior (ages 13-17)
& Lead (ages 18+)
coaching
opportunities

Each day will feature the children's favourite activities delivered in a safe & secure environment making the most of the fantastic indoor & outdoor spaces at Lunesdale Sports Centre encouraging ALL attending children to have **#FUNwithFriends**

For further information or to make a booking please contact Coach Gunn at coachmarkgunn@gmail.com

'Coach Gunn Basketball'



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Friday's After School Club run by SDA Sports Academy is proving to be a great success and fantastic feedback has been received from the pupils attending. We hope this continues.

