



# Giggleswick Primary School Newsletter



## NOVEMBER

A member of The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools – *Do everything in love (1 Corinthians 16:14)*

Welcome to our **November Newsletter**. We hope you have all had a lovely half term break with time well spent making the most of the Autumn weather. Please make sure that pupils come to school wearing a warm waterproof coat as winter is on our door step! Thank you to those who have returned individual Admin packs, if you haven't returned them, please do this as soon as possible. We have lots of things planned leading up to the festive season and will keep you updated as we move closer to Christmas, best wishes from all the team who



**Dates for Diaries 2023/24** (Please note, diary dates may change and dates will also be added throughout the academic year)

Monday 6th November	Start of term for pupils
Saturday 11th November	Remembrance Day
Friday 17th November	Children in Need
Wednesday 22nd November	Parent Meetings in school (To book via School Money/Eduspot)
Saturday 25th November	Settle Christmas Lights Switch on - See press for details
Thursday 30th November	St Andrew's Day
Friday 22nd December	School closes at 3.30pm for half term
Monday 8th January	Teacher INSET Day
Tuesday 9th January	Start of term for pupils
Friday 9th February	School closes at 3.30pm for half term
Monday 19th February	Start of term for pupils
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Friday 22nd March	School closes at 3.30pm for half term for Easter
Monday 8th April	Teacher INSET Day
Tuesday 9th April	Start of term for pupils
Monday 6th May	Bank holiday
Week Commencing from Monday 13th May	Date from Gov.uk SATs Week
Friday 24th May	School closes at 3.30pm for half term
Monday 3rd June	Start of term for pupils
Friday 19th July	School closes at 3.30pm for Summer
Monday 22nd July	Teacher INSET Day

### Our Sporting Champions!

Well done to all those who represented our Federation during the Girls Football Event last term. We are extremely proud of you all for demonstrating such great football techniques and team work on the pitch.



### Kindness always wins!

Thank you to those who supported our Anti-bullying week from the 13th of November by wearing your odd socks to school. Kindness is our superpower!



### Day of Remembrance

Thank you to our team for delivering a very lovely Remembrance Assembly in school for our pupils and to those pupils who attended wearing their Brownies and Cubs uniform with pride! It was nice to see pupils wearing a poppy for school.

Extract from Laurence Binyon's "For the Fallen".

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them."



### Swimming:

Pupils are making great progress during our swimming sessions on a Thursday afternoon. More updates will follow towards the end of term in relation to arrangements for January 24 for the next cohort of pupils to attend.



**School Money (we are a cashless school):** Please can School Money accounts be paid weekly to avoid a build up of arrears. If we addressed this with you directly, our intention is to help. **Please also book Breakfast Club and After School Club places via School Money in advance.** Guidance on School Money is also available via our website; you can also contact school if you need any further assistance. For our new families, please follow the link which you will have been sent via a text/email already.



### Children In Need

Thank you to those who supported our Children in Need event this year and to all those who made a donation for this worthy cause. A big thank you to our school cooks for organising a lovely Children in Need themed lunch.



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Whole School Attendance

Giggleswick Primary School 97.96%



## The Ribblesdale Federation Governing Board

Chair of the Governing Board: Mr Andrew Bradley  
Vice Chair: Rev Sue McWhinney  
Mr Andrew Bradley: Co-opted Governor  
Rev James Rodley: Co-opted Governor  
Mrs Emmy Hodgson: Co-opted Governor  
Mr Carl Shuttleworth: Parent Governor  
Ms Anna Lawrence: Parent Governor  
Mrs Barbara Stirton: Staff Governor  
Safeguarding and Attendance Link Governor: Rev Sue McWhinney  
Health and Safety Link Governor: Andrew Bradley



The Full Governing Board meeting will take place on Monday 27th November at Long Preston Primary School



To follow 'The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools' via Twitter - please go to '@FedRibblesdale' This is a protected account and only confirmed followers will have access to the Tweets and our complete profile. We also have our school Facebook page and lots of information available via our website: <https://ribblesdalefed.n-yorks.sch.uk/>

*Please help our followers to grow! Thank you for your continuing support from all the team at Giggleswick Primary School (Part of The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools)*

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**Safeguarding Information: Giggleswick PS**  
Designated Safeguarding Lead: - Mrs Catherine Maddocks Executive Headteacher  
Deputy DSL: Miss Rachel Mounsey & Mrs Helen Haynes



The Ribblesdale Federation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all the children who attend our three schools.

**Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator: Mrs Nicola Devereux**



If you have any worries or concerns regarding your child having SEN or mental health issues and well being problems, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Devereux, via the school office. All correspondence will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Staffing 23/24 -The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools: Giggleswick PS

### SLT

**Executive Headteacher:** Mrs Maddocks  
**Assistant Head teachers:** Miss Mounsey, Mr Wiseman and Miss Houghton (maternity leave)  
**School Business Manager:** Mrs Middleton  
**Harrison Class** - Teacher: Mrs Haynes (Supported by Mrs Warner/Mrs Vickery)  
**Alkelda Class** - Teacher: Mrs Leach (Supported by Mrs Clay)  
**Tems Class** - Teachers: Miss Mounsey & Miss Richardson (Supported by Miss Bousfield)  
**Midday Supervisors**— Mrs Clay & Mrs Whitehouse  
**School Cook:** Miss Laura Knowles  
**School Administrator:** Mrs Jarrom  
**School's I.C.T Technician:** Mr Freytag



The following policies were adopted by the Full Governing Board on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September 23, copies are available on the Federation website:

- ◆ **Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy**
- ◆ **Attendance Policy**
- ◆ **Induction of Early Career Teachers (ECTs) Policy**
- ◆ **Child on Child Abuse Policy**
- ◆ **Mental Health Policy**

