



Giggleswick Primary School Newsletter



April

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

Welcome to our **April Newsletter**. It is lovely to see that spring is here and the warmer season is settling in. We can't wait to make the most of our lovely outdoor space throughout the warmer months. Thank you to those who attended our parental consultation afternoon last month. This was time well spent celebrating individual pupil progress. We are extremely proud of all of the pupils across our Federation family. May we also remind our families to pass on messages directly via the school office (rather than on the playground, as this avoids things being lost in translation).

Our little swimmers (Tems Class) start swimming this month and we know they will all have a lovely time with the Settle Pool team. We hope their confidence will grow and grow as the swimming sessions progress!



Dates for Diaries 20224 *(Please note, diary dates may change and dates will also be added throughout the academic year)*

Monday 8th April	Teacher INSET Day
Tuesday 9th April	Start of Summer term for pupils
Thursday 11th April	Swimming lessons for Tems Class
Thursday 18th April	Height & Weight check for Rec & Y6 pupils
Monday 6th May	Bank holiday
Week Commencing Monday 13th May	SATs Week
Friday 24th May	School closes at 3.30pm for half term
Monday 3rd June	School re-opens to pupils
Monday 8th–9th July	Bikeability Y5 & Y6 pupils
Tuesday 16th July	Summer show
Wednesday 17th July	End of term service in St Alkelda's 10.30am

World Book Day: We had another fantastic World Book Day this year, as you can see from the photos. Thank you to all families and Staff who made this possible.



March 2024

100% Attendance

Whole School Attendance

Giggleswick Primary School: 97.7%

Crucial Crew 2024:



North Craven Cross Country Final: We had 5 students competing. Competitors had to qualify through two previous rounds to run in this prestigious event. Congratulations to Tillie (Y3), Iris, Sienna, Seth W (Y4) & Albert (Y5) for taking part. A very special mention to Iris who finished in an incredible 3rd place winning her first medal! And to Sienna who finished in 6th place! Iris and Sienna have been competing nearly every Sunday morning running in the Kendal Winter League races. Your hard work and determination has definitely paid off with your super results. Well done to you all, we are incredibly proud of you.



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 Vacant Post: Staff Governor Safeguarding and Attendance Link Governor: Rev Sue McWhinney Health and Safety Link Governor: Andrew Bradley Parent Governor: Vacant Post

Policies approved on 11th March 24 Lone Worker Policy, Anti-Bullying Policy, Online Safety Policy, SRE/PSHE: All these policies are available on the Federation Website.

Date of Next Meeting Monday 13th May @ Long Preston Endowed Primary School

Safeguarding Information: Giggleswick Primary School

Designated Safeguarding Lead: - Mrs Catherine Maddocks Executive Headteacher **Deputy DSL:** Miss Mounsey, Mrs Haynes

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

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

SLT Executive Headteacher: Mrs Maddocks **Assistant Head teachers:** Miss Mounsey, Mr Wiseman and Miss Houghton (maternity leave)

School Business Manager: Mrs Middleton

Tems Class - Teachers: Miss Mounsey, Miss Richardson (Supported by Miss Bousfield, Mrs Vickery)

Alkelda Class - Teacher: Mrs Leach (Supported by Mrs Clay)

Harrison Class - Teacher: Mrs Haynes (Supported by Mrs Vickery)

PE: Mrs Mercer **Midday Supervisor:** Mrs Clay **School Cook:** Miss Knowles **School Administrator:** Mrs Jarrom

School's I.C.T Technician: Mr Freytag **School Cleaner:** NYBCS

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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) Do everything in love (1 Corinthians 16:14)

SATs Week: Next month, our pupils will take part in SATs. Please make sure pupils have early nights during the week of SATs. We will be offering a healthy breakfast to our Year 6 pupils during the week of SATs. Our advice is that if your child has any questions, talk about SATs and tell them not to worry. We have also been doing this and our teams have been preparing pupils for a smooth transition during the SATS process. It will make a bigger impact if we reassure our pupils together. Children perform best when they are relaxed. We believe in all of our pupils and know they will do their very best during this period! If this is your first time as a 'SATs parent' this link may be helpful. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zrybvk7>

Transition Days - September 24: If your child is transferring to Year 7 in September 24, you will be contacted directly by the school who has offered your child a place, we hope everyone is happy with individual offers which have been made!

A big thank you to all those who attended our Easter service at St Alkelda's Church. We would especially like



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