



Hellifield Community Primary School



A member of The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools – fostering a love of learning through collaboration and fun

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.



Hopefully you'll have had time to read our Ofsted Report, that was circulated just before half term. We are delighted with the report, which reflects so well on our teaching staff, our children and our whole school community. This isn't the end of our school improvement journey, but it is pleasing to see that we are definitely on the right track and our efforts are really paying dividends for the children.

As the weather is now turning chillier, please make sure that pupils come to school wearing a warm waterproof coat.

We have lots of things planned leading up to the festive season and we will keep you updated as we move closer to Christmas.

Dates for Diaries 2024/25

(Please note diary dates may change due and dates will also be added throughout the academic year)

Monday 4th November	Start of term for pupils
Wednesday 6th November	Swimming at Settle Swimming Pool - Oak Class
Monday 11th November	Armistice Service
W/c 11th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Saturday 16th November	Friends of Hellifield coffee morning: 10-11.30am at the Hellifield Institute
Wednesday 20th November	Parent Consultations
Saturday 30th November	Settle Christmas Lights switch-on (see local press for details)
Thursday 12th December	Blackburn Panto Visit (more information to follow)
Tuesday 17th December	Nativity - 2pm (more information to follow)
Wednesday 18th December	Last swimming session for Oak Class
Friday 20th December	School Party School closes at 3.30pm for the Christmas holiday
Monday 6th January	Teacher INSET day
Tuesday 7th January	Start of term for pupils
W/c Monday 3rd February	Mental Health Week
Friday 14th February	School closes at 3.30pm for half-term
Monday 24th February	Start of term for pupils
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day



Stay and Play session for prospective parents: We're hosting an open afternoon on Tuesday 12th November for parents looking for a primary school place for September 2025. A flyer for the session can be found later in this newsletter and it would be appreciated if you could share it with anyone you know who is looking for a school place for next year. Any parents wanting to come along to the session should let us know by emailing hadmin@ribblesdalefed.n-yorks.sch.uk

Parent consultations: You should have received information about our parent consultations taking place on 20th November 2024. If you haven't done so already, please use our online system to book a time to see your child/ren's class teacher/s.



Sporting events: Well done to all the children who took part in the Netball competition last month. It was held at Settle College and involved our two other Federation schools as well as others in the Craven Primary School Cluster. The children who took part in the event thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you to Mrs Mercer and Mrs T. Jones for organising our teams and to all staff who accompanied them.

It was disappointing for the children that the Football Tournament at Ingleton for Yr 3/4 and Y5/6 pupils had to be cancelled due to the rainy weather conditions. We hope it will be rearranged and we will let parents know a new date when we can.

Wear What You Want Day: The Friends of Hellifield School are grateful for the very generous and numerous tombola gifts they received in return for children being able to wear what they wanted to on the final day of last half term (25th October). The tombola will be one of a number of stalls at the Friends coffee morning, being held on **Saturday, 16th November** at the Hellifield Institute. The event starts at 10am and everyone is welcome. If you can contribute any baked goods for the cake stall, please contact Victoria Richardson, Sarah Horton or Laura Welsh.



Harvest Festival: Thank you to everyone who joined us at St Aidan's Church for our Harvest Festival, which was led by the Rev James Rodley and Saplings Class. We hope you enjoyed the service and thank you for the generous donations of both food and money for Skipton Food Bank. A donation of £92 has been made from the collections at Hellifield and Long Preston to this very worthy cause.

Halloween Movie Evening: Many of our children enjoyed the Halloween Movie Evening which took place after school on 24th October. As well as watching the film Onwards, the children were treated to hot dogs and cookies. The event was a fundraiser for the Friends of Hellifield and a profit of around £100 was made. Thank you to everyone who organised and supported it.



**October 24
Whole School
Attendance**

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The Ribblesdale Federation Governing Board

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Catherine Maddocks:

Chair of the Governing Board: Mr Andrew Bradley

Vice Chair: Rev Sue McWhinney

Co-opted Governor: Rev James Rodley

Foundation Governors: Mrs Emmy Hodgson and Mrs Christine Padley

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Staff Governor: Mrs Paula Clay

Safeguarding and Attendance Link Governor: Rev Sue McWhinney

Health and Safety Link Governor: Mr Andrew Bradley



The following policies have been agreed by the Federation Governing Board:

- Missing Child Policy
- Homework Policy

The next meeting of the Federation Governing Board will be held on **TBC**.

Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator: Mrs Erin Jones

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 Jones, via the school office. All correspondence will be treated confidentially.

Safeguarding information: Hellifield C.P. School

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Catherine Maddocks, Executive Headteacher

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mrs Rebecca Shaw, Miss Laura Sargison, Miss Rachel Mounsey and Miss Rachel Houghton.

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

Staffing 24/25 The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools : Hellifield

SLT

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Maddocks

Assistant Head Teachers: Miss Mounsey & Miss Houghton

Federation Business Manager: Mrs Sarah Middleton

Acorn Class Teachers: Mrs Williams & Mrs T. Jones (Thurs pm) (Supported by Mrs Fortune)

Sapling Class Teachers: Mrs Ward & Mrs Shaw (Supported by Mrs Rawsthorne & Mrs Dugdale)

Oak Class Teachers: Miss Sargison & Mrs T. Jones (Wed pm) (Supported by Mrs Dawson)

Wrap-Around-Care & Midday Supervisors (MSA): Mrs Dawson & Mrs Dugdale

School Administrator (temporary): Mrs Wearden

School I.C.T Technician: Mr Freytag

School Cook: Mrs. Eggleston

School Caretaker: Mrs. Foxcroft

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Please help our followers to grow! Thank you for your continuing support from all the team at Hellifield C.P. School, part of The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools)



Hellifield Primary School

Stay and Play

Open afternoon at Hellifield Primary School

For parents looking for a primary school place for
September 2025

12th November 2024 - 2.30pm – 3.15pm

Come and join us at our Open Afternoon, where you'll be given a guided tour of the school, spend time in our Early Years classroom, have the opportunity to ask questions and meet our brilliant teaching team. Please email the office to let us know that you are coming.

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Wednesdays 20 November - 11 December, 13:00 - 15:00

Wednesdays 20 November - 11 December, 18:00 - 21:00

Thursdays 21 November - 12 December, 18:00 - 21:00

Progression is then to one or more of the following NCFE CACHE qualification courses:

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Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning

Level 3 Diploma in Supporting Teaching and Learning

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24 NOVEMBER 2024
10AM - 3PM

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AVAILABLE UNTIL FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2024

£3 Per Adult (Aged 14 and Over)
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ON THE DAY

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