



Giggleswick Primary School



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

Welcome to our October Newsletter. It is wonderful to see our new pupils settling into our school routines and making new friends within their classes and across the school. We have had a busy start to this new academic year.



Harrison Class now have a few weeks swimming under their belts and are impressing us with their enthusiasm and confidence in the water. All are making good progress.

Thank you to those parents who have completed the parental Annual Consent Form. If you haven't completed it yet, please use this link to do so as soon as you can: [Parental Consent 2024-25](#)

As we're now into Autumn, please make sure that pupils come to school wearing a warm waterproof coat.

Dates for Diaries 2024/25

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

Tuesday 8th October	Y6 Netball at Settle College 1.00-2.30pm
Wednesday 16th October	Y3/Y4 & Y5/Y6 Football at Ingleton PS
Wednesday 23rd October	Harvest Festival, St Alkelda's Church 10.30am. All welcome
Friday 25th October	School closes at 3.30pm for half-term
Thursday, 31st October	Deadline to apply for Y7 place at secondary school
Monday 4th November	School re-opens to pupils
Monday 11th November	Armistice Service
Thursday 14th November	Flu Immunisation session Rec—Y6
Wednesday 20th November	Parent consultations
Saturday 30th November	Settle Lights Switch On
Wednesday 4th December	Advent service St Alkelda's 10.30am. All welcome
Wednesday 11th December	Blackburn Panto Visit
Wednesday 18th December	Nativity St Alkelda's - 5.00pm. All welcome
Friday 20th December	School closes at 3.30pm for Christmas holiday
Monday 6th January	Teacher INSET day
Tuesday 7th January	School re-opens for pupils
Friday 14th February	School closes at 3.30pm for half-term

Ingleborough Walk

Thank you to Mrs Mercer and Mrs Jones for organising the Y5 trip, in collaboration with Wild Ingleborough, Thursday 3rd October 2024 and also to Mrs Clay for accompanying them.

Thankfully the weather was kind to our group of enthusiastic walkers! The aim of the trip was to promote healthy lifestyles and to learn more about our beautiful surroundings. We are so lucky to live in such a fantastic area of the country, with easy access to the Yorkshire Dales National Park. While blowing away the cobwebs, the children were able to take in the ever changing landscape of Ingleborough. Ollie Roberts led the trip as mountain leader and was accompanied by Ellie Parker of the Wild Ingleborough team, to ensure our group got the very best out of the day.

There were probably some tired legs by the end of the day, as our Y5s put in a great effort to complete the walk and they showed real determination to make it to the end. Well done everyone!



Macmillan Coffee Morning: A big thank you to everyone who supported our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 27th September, by sending in tasty treats or attending and making a donation. We raised an amazing **£197** for this very worthy cause. We would also particularly like to thank the Friends of GPS without whose help and support this event



schoolmoney

SchoolMoney: Please can SchoolMoney accounts be paid weekly to avoid the build up of arrears. If we address this with you directly, our intention is to help. Guidance on SchoolMoney is also available on our website, and you can always contact school if you need any further assistance. For our new families, please follow the link which you will have been sent by text/email already. If you haven't received a link, please contact the office.



**September 2024
Whole School
Attendance**

98.2%

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 & Mrs Christine Padley

Parent Governors: Mr Carl Shuttleworth & Mrs Laura Boyd

Staff Governor: Mrs Paula Clay

Safeguarding & Attendance Link Governor: Rev Sue McWhinney

Health & Safety Link Governor: Mr Andrew Bradley



The following policies were agreed at the Federation Governing Board meeting on 23rd September 2024:

- Safeguarding and Child Protection
- Governor Visits Policy.

The next meeting of the Federation Governing Board will take place on Monday 14th October 2024.

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: Giggleswick Primary School

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Catherine Maddocks, Executive Headteacher

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads: Miss Mounsey, Mrs Haynes & Miss 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 : Giggleswick Primary School

SLT

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Maddocks

Assistant Head Teachers: Miss Mounsey & Miss Houghton

Federation Business Manager: Mrs Sarah Middleton

Tems Class Teachers: Miss Mounsey & Miss Preston (Supported by Miss Bousfield)

Alkelda Class Teacher: Mrs Leach (Supported by Mrs Greaves & Mrs Clay)

Harrison Class Teacher: Mrs Haynes (Supported by Mrs Clay & Mrs Vickery)

Midday Supervisors (MSA): Mrs Clay & Mr Combes

School Administrator: Mrs Jarrom

School I.C.T Technician: Mr Freytag

School Cook: Miss Knowles

School Caretaker/s: Mr Tindale

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 vis 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)



Children's Learning Disability Team – Craven

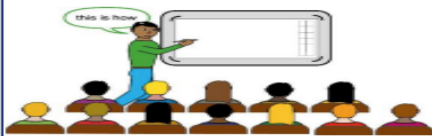
Sleep workshop

for parents and carers of children with additional needs living in Craven.

Evidence based advice and strategies on how to improve your child's sleep routine and environment.



**Wednesday 16th October
1000-1200**



@ Skipton Children and Families Hub,
Brougham Street, Skipton, BD23 2ES

or via Microsoft Teams

Book your place today! call: 01274 221 203 or email: ChildrensLearningDisabilities@bdct.nhs.uk

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HOLIDAY ROCK CLIMBING



Our holiday climbing sessions are an ideal way for kids to get out and enjoy the great outdoors during the holidays. With activities including climbing, abseiling and weaselling, it is an action-packed day.

Just a packed lunch and old clothes for climbing, scrambling, crawling and squirming amongst the rocks and we'll provide the rest.

£52.50, or £97.50 for siblings (7-16 years old)

Ilkley Cow & Calf: 28th, 29th & 1st November, 10:00am-4.00pm

Brimham Rocks: 30th & 31st October, 10:00am-4.00pm

Childcare Vouchers accepted for Ilkley, Brimham coming soon!



Book online or contact us via email

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What we've been getting up to!



And our staff!

Congratulations to Jenny Bousfield, who was awarded the Settle Cricket Club Malcolm S. Davidson Clubman of the Year trophy at the end of season Presentation Evening, held at the club last night.

Ian Walker, Junior Chair had the following to say regarding Jenny's contribution to the club:

Jenny came into helping with cricket due to her girls taking up the game. She had no previous experience or knowledge of the game. Initially she helped out on Friday nights by serving hot dogs and selling sweets to raise funds for the club. With encouragement from Julia Graham, Women's and Girls' Representative, she took the step to getting involved with the management of teams.

Jenny attended both her umpiring and scoring courses in the winter and then managed two girls softball teams through the 2024 season. From knowing nothing about the game, she has stepped up and facilitated the growth of our Women's and Girls' section. She has come to really love the game of cricket. Jenny has promoted the game within her role at Giggleswick Primary School, growing the school's cricket programme and leading the school's team to success, in county wide competitions.





Wild Explorers

Where nature, fun and adventure collide!

A child-led, fun and nurturing holiday club set in beautiful woodland on the Broughton Estate.

We are an OFSTED registered outdoor holiday club where children can play, enjoy a campfire, woodland crafts, tools and much more!



Price

£35 per child per day
Childcare vouchers accepted

Age

Reception - Age 13

October Half Term Holiday Club

23rd - 25th October &
28th October - 1st November

*Birthday parties also available year round
email us for more info*



Time

9.30am - 3.30pm

Location

Broughton Hall Estate



hello@wildexplorers.org.uk



www.wildexplorers.org.uk



AUTUMN HALF TERM

2024

HOLIDAY CAMPS

Skipton, Sandylands

- ▶ **Holiday Camp**
Monday 28th October -
Wednesday 30th October
- ▶ **Goal Keeper Camp**
Wednesday 30th October
- ▶ **Super Striker Session**
Wednesday 30th October AM
- ▶ **Midfielder Maestros
Session**
Wednesday 30th October PM

Keighley, Marley

- ▶ **HALLOWEEN
SPECIAL OFFER CAMP**
Thursday 31st October
Friday 1st November
- ▶ **Elite Mindset
Session**
Friday 1st November AM
- ▶ **Dynamite Defenders
Session**
Friday 1st November PM



Individual Days Available
Early drop off /
late pick up etc



For bookings visit

www.soccerhub.org.uk/camps/



AUTUMN

AT THE BOWES MUSEUM


THE BOWES
MUSEUM

CREATE SPACE

Daily, 10.00 – 5.00

Create your own artworks and treasures inspired by the Museum's collection using a variety of materials.

Suitable for all ages.

EXPLORER BAGS

Daily, 10.00 – 4.30

Pick up a guide and Explorer Bag from reception to identify wildlife in the parkland up close with magnifying glasses and binoculars.

Suitable for all ages.

ARTIST MAKERS: CERAMICS FROM THE PAST

Saturday 26 October,
1.00 – 3.00

Join artist Charlie Brookes to explore the Museum's ceramic collection and experiment with different techniques and materials.

Recommended for ages 5+.

WE'RE GOING ON A PLANT HUNT

Monday 28 October,
1.00 – 2.00

This Autumn we're hunting high and low to find plants, flowers and animals around the Museum. Listen to stories, sing songs and explore the galleries.

Recommended for under 5s.

HEDGEHOG HOUSES

Tuesday 29 October and
Thursday 31 October,
1.00 – 3.00

Help build habitats for hibernating hedgehogs in the parkland. On days when it's too rainy to be outside, we'll get arty and make in the Create Space.

Suitable for all ages.

ARTIST MAKERS: AUTOMATA OF THE NATURAL WORLD

Wednesday 30 October,
1.00 – 3.00

Dive into the natural world with artist Betty Brown and learn how to make automata plants and animals inspired by amazing artwork around the Museum.

Recommended for ages 5+.

FAMILY STORY TOUR

Friday 1 November,
11.00 – 12.00 and 1.00 – 2.00

Come along for a journey through the galleries, as we explore the interesting stories and fascinating facts behind the art and objects of the Museum.

Suitable for families.

ARTIST MAKERS: FIREWORK FIESTA

Saturday 2 November,
1.00 – 3.00

Spark your curiosity and light up the Museum with artist Zoe Allen as you transform 2D materials into 3D firework sculptures.

Recommended for ages 5+.

All activities are **FREE** to Members and included in normal admission charges.

Children under 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

