# Giggleswick Primary School Newsletter

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

Welcome to our May newsletter.



We celebrated our VE Day celebrations on 8th May in style. We had some amazing outfits and all pupils took part in the sing-a-long at St Alkelda's Church, which was enjoyed by everyone and it was lovely to see so many friendly faces join us. Thank you to Miss Knowles and Mrs Dugdale for putting on a Street Party lunch for the pupils to enjoy.



We have a busy time ahead before the half term break, with SATs taking place this week for Y6s and then their residential trip to East Barnby; a study visit to the Norber Erratics for Y1 and a Forest Day at Long Preston for Reception. Other trips and visits are planned for the second half of the summer term.

**Howzat!** The great weather we have been enjoying over the last few weeks has made it the perfect time for us to welcome Kevon Beckles, a cricket coach from Barbados, into school. Kevon is currently working with Settle Cricket Club's 2nd XI and is coming into our school, and others in the area, to run sessions until the end of the summer term.

He's working with Alkelda Class until half term and then it will be the turn of Harrison Class. Kevon is making cricket fun and enjoyable for all, while also working on bat and ball handling skills and co-ordination. The children are really enjoying their sessions with Kevon.



**Early Adopters Club/Breakfast Club:** We are pleased our families are starting to use Breakfast Club, with children joining us for a healthy start to the day from either 8am or 8.15am. Children joining from 8am are charged £2 per child, while the Club is free for those coming to school at 8.15am.

As we are part of Government's Early Adopter scheme we are keen for as many families as possible to use the club.

If you want your child/ren to join the Breakfast Club, at either of the start times, please book their place using SchoolMoney and complete the Registration Form.

**NFU 'Famers for Schools' Visit:** We were delighted to welcome Kelly Armitage and Aimee Carlisle, the National Farmers Union's 'Farmers for Schools' Ambassadors, into school to talk to the children. During the presentation Kelly and Aimee talked about the diverse career paths available in agriculture, looked at where our food comes from and answered questions from the children about farming.

Our pupils were very engaged with the session and loved the chance to get 'hands on' with some wool, animal feed and other food stuffs.

## Dates for Diaries 2025

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

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| **Wednesday 7th May** | Visit from NFU |
| **Thursday 8th May** | VE Day celebrations |
| **W/c Monday 12th May** | Y6 SATs Week |
| **Monday 19th to Wednesday 21st May** | Residential trip to East Barnby for Y6 pupils |
| **Tuesday 20th May** | Y1 visit to Norber Erratics & Reception a Forest School Day at Long Preston |
| **Friday 23rd May** | School closes at 3.30pm for half term |
| **Monday 2nd June** | School re-opens to pupils |
| **Tuesday 3rd June** | Wild Ingleborough trip for Harrison Class (more information to follow) |
| **Thursday 5th June** | New Reception 2025 Parents Meeting 5.15pm |
| **Monday 9th June** | Sports Day |
| **Tuesday 17th June** | School photos (more information to follow).<br>Tems visit to St Alkelda's church PM |
| **Monday 23rd June** | Y5 Federation event at Settle College (more information to follow) |
| **Tuesday 24th June** | Harrison Class attending performance of 'Bugsy Malone' at Giggleswick School |
| **Tuesday 1st July** | Y6 Transition evening at Settle college |
| **Wednesday 2nd July** | Y2 Cave Climbing |
| **Thursday 3rd July** | Y3 Cave Climbing |

**April 2025 Whole School Attendance**

**Giggleswick Primary School: 96.61%**

**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)

**Foundation Governors:** Mrs Emmy Hodgson & Mrs Christine Padley

**Parent Governors:** Miss Laura Boyd & Mrs Ruth Taylor

**Staff Governor:** Mrs Paula Clay

**Co-opted Governor:** Rev Stephen Dawson

**Co-opted Governor and SEND Link Governor:** Mr Carl Shuttleworth

**Safeguarding and Attendance Link Governor:** Rev Sue McWhinney

**EYFS Link Governor:** Mrs Christine Padley

**Health and Safety Link Governor:** Mr Andrew Bradley

**Pupil and Staff Wellbeing:** Miss Laura Boyd

The next meeting of the Federation Governing Board will be held on Monday 23rd June 2025.

**Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator: Mr Stewart Culley**

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 Mr Culley, 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:** Mrs Helen Haynes, Miss Rachel Mounsey & 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 : Giggleswick Primary School**

**SLT**

**Executive Headteacher:** Mrs Maddocks

**Assistant Head Teachers:** Miss Mounsey & Miss Houghton

**Federation Business Manager:** Mrs Middleton

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

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

**Harrison Class Teacher:** Miss Mounsey & Miss Preston (Supported by Miss Bousfield)

**PE: Mrs Mercer**

**Midday Supervisor (MSA):** Mrs Clay

**School Administrator:** Mrs Jarrom

**School I.C.T Technician:** Mr Freytag

**School Cook:** Miss Knowles

**Kitchen Assistant:** Vacant

**School Cleaner:** Mr Tindale



This is what we've been getting up to:












































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Bradford District Care
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Children's Learning Disability Team - Craven

# Parent/Carer Workshop

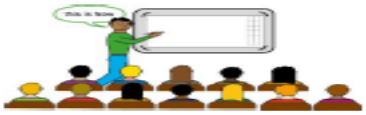
An informal opportunity for you to meet our friendly nursing team.



## Strategies to improve Sleep

Children with additional needs are significantly more likely to experience poor sleep than their peers. Join our qualified Sleep Practitioners to explore ways to develop sleep strategies, helping the whole family get a more restful night's sleep!

## Friday 16 May 12:30-14:30



Join in person at:

**Fisher Medical Centre**

Community Hub Room,
Millfields, Coach Street, Skipton, BD23 1EU

Tea and biscuits will be available.
Places are limited to 10 parent/carers.
If you cannot attend in person, a virtual option will be available.

**Book your place today! email:**
**ChildrensLearningDisabilities@bdct.nhs.uk**

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Healthy Minds
Bradford District and Craven Health and Care Partnership
ACTasONE
NHS Bradford District Care NHS Foundation Trust

# Parent/Carer Support Group

## Supporting Emotional and Mental Health

| Tuesday 20th May | 10:30am or 7:30 pm | Held on MS Teams<br>Please email the address below |
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THIS MONTHS TOPIC:

## Anxiety: How to Help Your Child



Join us for this session where you will learn what anxiety is and the different types and symptoms. We will discuss coping strategies and gain peer support by having the opportunity of sharing experiences and learn various strategies how you may help your child.

mhstparentsupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com

# Government help with Early Years Education and Childcare Costs

## Working Parent Entitlement Age 9 months and over

**Eligible working parents***

| 15 hours | 30 hours |
|---|---|
| Up to August 2025 | From September 2025 |

From September 2025, eligible working parents with children aged over 9 months up to 5 years will be entitled to up to 30 hours of government funded support with their childcare costs. Working parents entitlement can be combined with 2-year-old or 3 and 4-year-old offers to give a maximum of 30 hours per week.

## 2-Year-old Funding for Eligible Families

**Eligible families receiving some additional form of Government support***

**15 hours**

2-year-olds may be eligible for up to 15 hours of government funding childcare if:

- You are in receipt of: Disablity Living Allowance (DLA), Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA) or Income-related Employement and Support Allowance (ESA)
- You are in receipt of Universal Credit and your household income is £15,400 a year or less after tax, not including benefit payments.
- You receive the guaranteed element of Pension Credit.
- The child has an Educational Health and Care plan (EHCP)
- The child is looked after by the Local Authority, has been adopted or has left care through special guardianship or child arrangement orders.

To apply for 2 year old funding, please visit www.northyorks.gov.uk/earlyeducationplaces

## 3 and 4 Universal Offer

**All families***

**15 hours**

All 3 and 4-year-olds are entitled to up to 15 hours of government funded childcare, irrespective of family income level, benefits status or family circumstances.

*Funding is available for 38 weeks per year and parents may be required to pay additional charges.

### Government Funding

Funding begins the term after the child turns the relevant age. Your 15 or 30 hours can be used for 38 weeks of the year (term-time) or you may be able to stretch your hours over some of the holidays by using less hours each week during term time. Check with your early years provider to find out how they deliver government funded childcare in their setting. Please note, providers may ask for consumable charges in addition to the funded childcare offer.

### Tax Free Childcare or Universal Credit childcare

Tax Free Childcare or Universal Credit childcare may be used whilst claiming your 15 or 30 hours of government funded childcare support. To see eligibility criteria for any of the government funding options, please scan the QR code or visit childcarechoices.gov.uk.



**Scan the QR code to check if you're eligible or visit childcarechoices.gov.uk**

Childcare Choices

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL

For help with finding childcare in North Yorkshire, contact The Families Information Service: fis.information@northyorks.gov.uk

# Information for eligible working parents

## How to apply for government funding childcare and Tax Free Childcare



**Apply online at** childcarechoices.gov.uk

Do this in good time to access your funded childcare and prior to the deadline each term: August 31st, December 31st, March 31st

**TAX FREE CHILDCARE**

Your eligibility will be checked by HMRC. If eligible, HMRC will open a childcare account for you.

**FUNDED CHILDCARE**

You will receive your eligibility code through your childcare account.

11 digit code begins with '50'

Your local authority can help you find childcare

Take your eligibility code to your childcare provider.

Your childcare provider will check the validity of the eligibility code. You can then discuss accessing your childcare place.

Funding will start the term after a child reaches the relevant age of eligibility

Add a childcare provider to your account. This is so that you can pay them.

Pay money into your childcare account. A top up will automatically be applied to your account.

Pay your childcare provider directly through your childcare account.

If you do not reconfirm, you will not get the government top up.

You will be reminded 4 weeks before the deadline

You need to reconfirm your eligibility every 3 months.

If your child has started a funded place and you become ineligible or do not reconfirm, you can continue your funded childcare for a short time during the grace period.

Forgot to reconfirm? Tell your provider straight away and reconfirm online immediately. Your child cannot start to access funded childcare or change providers during the grace period

**For more information scan the QR code or visit childcarechoices.gov.uk**

WILD EXPLORERS

# 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

**May Half Term**
27th - 30th May

*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

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# MAY HT CAMPS 2025

**Awarded LTA UK Club of the Year | Reception to Age 12**

## TENNIS | FOOTBALL | MULTISPORTS

**Tue, 27 May 2025 - Fri, 30 May 2025**



- 9:00am - 3:30pm
- £25 per day / £100 per week
- FREE Early drop-off 8:30am - 9am
- Late pickup 3:30pm - 5pm £5 per day (Tues-Thurs, NOT Friday)
- Reception to 12 yrs

SCAN TO BOOK

**UNRIVALLED FACILITIES : 5 Tennis Courts | 3 Padel Courts | Club House | 4G All-Weather Pitch | Sports Hall**

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7 - 13 Years old 6:30pm-7:30pm
Keighley, Marley Stadium (outside on 4G pitch)
Thursdays (term time only)
4 - 7 Years old 5pm-6pm
7 - 13 Years old 6pm-7pm
Skipton, Sandylands Sports Centre (outside on 4G pitch)
Fridays (term time only)
4 -7 Years old 5pm-6pm
7 - 13 Years old 6pm-7pm
Booking Details - soccer-hub.classforkids.io
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