



# Hellifield Community Primary School Newsletter



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

Welcome to our **February Newsletter** and although it is only February, we have had a very busy start to the year and it is good to see so much positivity across our three lovely schools. As the lighter evenings filter through, we are very much looking forward to spring approaching and having more sunny days ahead!

**Other events:** Following the success of our Puppet Day last term, we have two National Trust Federation Get Together sessions planned on the 9th & 10th of February, when pupils will spend part of the day at Hellifield C.P. School. We will continue to monitor Covid cases within our setting prior to this event taking place. Transport will be provided via Bibby's of Ingleton. We will also be celebrating World Book Day this year, which is the 3rd of March 2022. Updates to follow with regards to what we have planned. Please continue to follow our individual Class Newsletters, as these offer a look at what is planned within each class. As you will have seen from our most recent publications our learning theme is currently Farm to Fork.

Love is such a powerful force. It's there for everyone to embrace-that kind of unconditional love for all of humankind. That is the kind of love that impels people to go into the community and try to change conditions for others, to take risks for what they believe in.



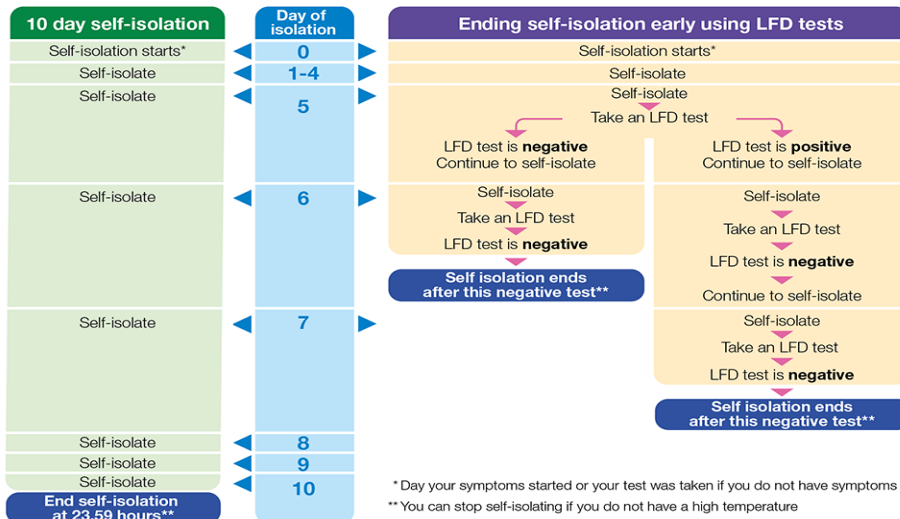
## Dates for Diaries 2022

*(Please note diary dates may change due to Covid-19 and dates will also be added throughout the academic year)*

<b>Wednesday 9th February</b> <i>Long Preston &amp; Giggleswick to join Hellifield C.P. School</i>	Federation Day National Trust (AM & PM Sessions) <b>Acorn &amp; Oak Classes</b>
<b>Thursday 10th February</b> <i>Long Preston &amp; Giggleswick to join Hellifield C.P. School</i>	Federation Day National Trust (AM Session) <b>Sapling Class</b>
<b>Tuesday 15th February</b>	Edinburgh Experience Years 5 & 6: Information Evening 6.00pm (Via Zoom - link to follow)  <i>Deposit to be paid in full by 07/02/22</i>
<b>Friday 18th February</b>	School closes at 3.30pm for half term
<b>Monday 28th February</b>	Start of term for pupils
<b>Thursday 3rd March</b>	World Book Day (Updates to follow)
<b>Friday 8th April</b>	School closes at 3.30pm for Easter
<b>Friday 15th &amp; Monday 18th of April</b>	Bank Holidays
<b>Monday 25th April</b>	Teacher INSET Day
<b>Tuesday 26th April</b>	Start of term for pupils
<b>Monday 2nd May</b>	Bank Holiday
<b>9th to 11th of May</b>	Year 3 & 4 pupils at Nell Bank
<b>Friday 27th May</b>	School closes at 3.30pm for half term
<b>2nd &amp; 3rd of June</b>	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holidays
<b>Monday 6th June</b>	Teacher INSET Day
<b>Tuesday 7th June</b>	Start of term for pupils
<b>8th to 11th June</b>	Edinburgh Experience (Years 5 & 6)
<b>Friday 22nd July</b>	School closes at 3.30pm for the summer holidays

## Guidance & Housekeeping:

If your child is absent from school, please can you let us know as soon as possible. If your child is poorly and has symptoms linking to Covid-19, (which are a high temperature, a new, continuous cough, loss or change to your sense of smell or taste), we ask that you carry out a LF test to reduce this risk of transmission prior to sending your child to school. Lateral Flow Test kits are available via: <https://www.gov.uk/order-onavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>. The latest guidance states that if you need to isolate due to testing positive, you can take a test on **day five**. If it's negative, you can take another test 24 hours later on **day six**. If this is also negative - and you don't have a temperature - you can immediately end isolation.



Please can pupils continue to bring wellington boots to school during this cold/wet season as this will allow them to gain access to the field and climbing apparatus during playtimes. Please also remember to send your child to school in jogging bottoms, trainers and their school jumper on their scheduled PE days. Please can all items of clothing (including footwear), be clearly named, as we are having difficulties in matching un-named items to the correct pupils. As you will know, swimming for this year has been delayed due to storm damage at Settle Swimming Pool. As soon as we know more, we will let you know. We do still have a small number of admin packs still to be returned. Please can these be completed and returned to school as soon as possible -Thank you.



January Whole School Attendance: 94.59 %



### School Money Arrears:

We kindly ask that you check your child's School Money account regularly. There are still a number of arrears from last year on individual accounts. If you need any support regarding making payments, please get in touch. If your financial circumstances have recently changed, we also have our Long Preston & Hellifield 'District In Need' Charity. This wonderful charity can assist you if you are needing help with paying for school dinners or trips if you are struggling. Each case is treated as confidential. Leaflets are available from school. Also, it may also be worth applying for Free School Meal assistance if your financial circumstances have recently changed, as this also triggers other additional funding.



### The Power of Vegetables:

Our school cooks pride themselves in offering a healthy balanced lunch for our pupils each day, using local suppliers. We are now working in partnership with Veg Power. Statistics show that 80% of our children are not eating enough vegetables. Veg Power is on a mission to inspire children from early years through primary school and into their teens to veggie loving habits they will keep for life and in turn share with their children. We know that it is not always easy getting children to eat their vegetables. Here is a link with some tips, which you may find useful: <https://bit.ly/send-in-the-sarnies>



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*Thank you for your continuing support from all the team at Hellifield C.P. School*

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### The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools Vision

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

Across our federation, and within our caring Christian community, we understand that each child travels through our schools only once yet always remains a part of our school family.

As they journey, we hope to furnish them with the courage to show **respect** and compassion towards self and others and the wider world we live in.

We celebrate the joy and opportunities for resilience **friendship** brings whilst developing an understanding of all that they are, and all they aspire to be.

We encourage a sense of intellectual curiosity rooted in **kindness** and established through critical thinking, reflection on and sharing of the knowledge they acquire.

We prepare them for the next stage in their journey with **love**: a love of learning, a love of life and a love of being the difference they wish to see in our world.

