



Hellifield Community Primary School Newsletter



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

A message from Miss Ward

Welcome to our **March Newsletter**. We have had a busy time across our federation, including our recent Ofsted inspection at Long Preston, the result of which we are delighted with. It really was a whole team effort, with staff from each of our schools joining in the support and preparation for the one day visit.

At Hellifield, the children have been busy playing host to pupils from our other schools for our Farm to Fork topic day (more details below). Our classrooms are looking amazing, with Stone Age artwork adorning the walls of Saplings Class, sparkling lights and window art created with fluttering leaves in Oak Class and a newly refurbished comfy, cosy place to read in Acorn Class. We can't wait until we can invite our families back into school so you can see your children's incredible work and the beautiful classrooms where this is done. Parents' evenings in March will still take place over the phone, but we will plan a date when you can take a look at your children's books and visit our wonderful classes.



Dates for Diaries 2022 (Please note diary dates may change due to Covid-19 and dates will also be added throughout the academic year)

Thursday 3rd March	World Book Day
Thursday 3rd March	Year 5 & 6 Rescheduled Edinburgh Experience Information Evening 6.00pm (via zoom) link to follow
Monday 14th March	Art Work Unveil following Camforth Trip (Hellifield Station) 1.30pm
Tuesday 15th & Wednesday 16th March	Rachel in the Dales Pottery Workshop at H.C.P.S (More information to follow)
Wednesday 16th March	SATS Information Evening (via zoom) More information to follow
Friday 18th March	Comic Relief Red Nose Day
W/C 21st March	Parental Consultation Week via telephone (More information to follow)
Wednesday 6th April	Hellifield Easter Service (2pm with Rev. Sue)
Friday 8th April	School closes at 3.30pm for Easter
Friday 15th & Monday 18th of April	Bank Holidays
Monday 25th April	Teacher INSET Day
Tuesday 26th April	Start of term for pupils SDA Sports Academy After School Session 3.30 to 4.30pm (More information to follow)
Monday 2nd May	Bank Holiday
9th to 11th of May	Year 3 & 4 pupils at Nell Bank
9th to the 12th of May	KS 2 SATS week (More information to follow)
Friday 27th May	School closes at 3.30pm for half term
2nd & 3rd of June	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holidays
Monday 6th June	Teacher INSET Day
Tuesday 7th June	Start of term for pupils
8th to the 10th of June	Edinburgh Experience (Years 5 & 6)
Friday 22nd July	School closes at 3.30pm for the summer holidays

A Wonderful Get Together:

We would like to thank all those involved in making our February Federation Days such fun! It was lovely to see our pupils across The Federation enjoying the great outdoors during our time with Rachel and her team from The Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority. Pupils enjoyed planned education

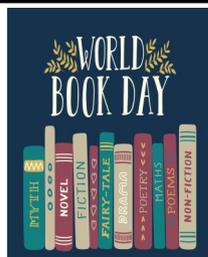


YORKSHIRE DALES
National Park Authority



World Book Day (03.03.22):

This year, we will be taking part in World Book Day and celebrating the joy of getting lost within a good book! We have decided to do something a little different this year and will be holding a 'Snuggle up with a Book Day' on Thursday the 3rd of March. We ask that pupils come to school wearing their pyjamas accompanied by their favourite teddy and bedtime story! Please make sure pyjamas are accompanied by a dressing gown if you have one, as it is too cold for lightweight fabrics at the moment in school.



Comic Relief - Red Nose Day (18.03.22):

This year we will be supporting Red Nose Day and with your help we can make a difference to those who need it most! We will be selling Red Noses at school. These can be obtained by putting a donation of £1.50 on your child's School Money account and we will then make sure that a Red Nose will come your way. This will be on a first come first served basis, we have enough red noses for one per pupil in the first instance. This payment will be set up as 'voluntary' and will show as £1.50 on your child's School Money account. You have the option of making a larger donation if you wish and we will make sure that every penny raised will go to this worthy cause. If you do not want a Red Nose, you can still make a donation!



Teacher Appointments:

If you would like to speak to a teacher, we kindly ask if you can make an appointment (in advance) with a member of our Federation admin team. We will try our best to book a telephone consultation with you as soon as we can or you can come back at the end of the day when teachers have finished teaching (Thank you).



February Whole School Attendance: 97.76 %



Safeguarding:

If a different adult will be collecting your child from school, please let the school office know by telephone or email rather than your child passing a message on to staff. If your child is poorly, please also let us know as soon as possible (Thank you).



School Money Arrears:

This is another gentle reminder to ask that you check your child's School Money account regularly. 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.



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Free School Meal Funding:

If your financial circumstances have recently changed, it is always worth considering applying for Free School Meal assistance via NYCC. Application forms are available via school website (<https://www.hellifield.n-yorks.sch.uk/free-school-meals-guidance-application-forms-1/>). If you would like us to assist with this, please ask. We can also email your application to the welfare team at NYCC. Each case will be treated as confidential. Paper copies of the application form can be printed for you. Every family had a copy of this sent home in their admin pack during the Autumn term.



This funding can also trigger financial support with: **School Trips & Residential, Wrap-Around-Care provision, After School Activity Clubs, and School Uniform.** If you would like to speak to NYCC School Welfare Team details are: Tel - 01609 533405 Email: welfare@northyorks.gov.uk

Community News:

A big thank you to those who supported the Settle Rotary Club Christmas appeal last year. With your help £5,845 was raised. This will go towards projects within our local community!



We look forward to supporting the Rotary's Shoebox appeal - more information to follow soon!

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.



Please help our followers to grow!

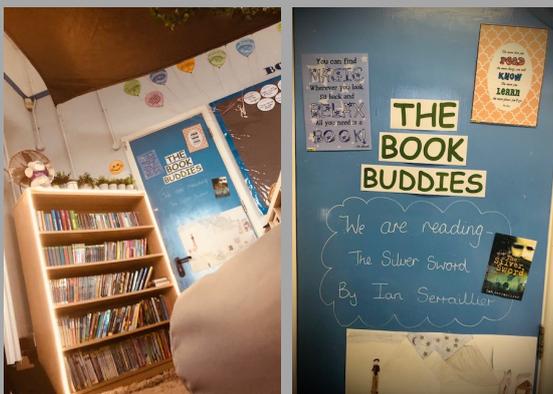
Thank you for your continuing support from all the team at Hellifield C.P. School

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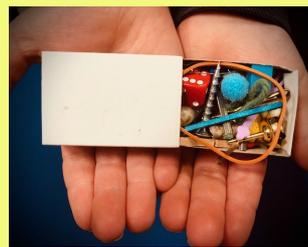
School Linked Learning

A day in the life of Hellifield C.P. School in pictures!

A Cozy Reading Space!



Bird Feeders and The Match Box Challenge!



Celebrating Chinese New Year - The Year of the Tiger!



Here are some links which may be useful in supporting your child/children with questions that may be raised with reference to what is happening in the Ukraine.

Supporting your child if they see upsetting content online about what is happening in the Ukraine (Child-net)

<https://www.childnet.com/blog/supporting-your-child-with-upsetting-content/>

We should not hide from children what is happening in the Ukraine (Child-net)

<https://schoolsweek.co.uk/we-should-not-hide-from-children-what-is-happening-in-ukraine/>

How to talk to children about what is happening in the Ukraine and World War Three (Anxiety - Metro)

<https://metro.co.uk/2022/02/24/how-to-talk-to-children-about-whats-happening-in-ukraine-16163133/>



...We Pray for Peace...

HOME START | SKIPTON TENNIS CENTRE

TENNIS & MULTI SPORTS | 3-5 YRS

FREE



TENNIS MULTI-SPORT FAMILY-FUN

Option 1

Sunday mornings
9.00 - 9.45am

Option 2

Sunday mornings
9.45 - 10.30am

FUN Play tennis & multi sport activities as a family to encourage healthy lifestyles

LEARN New skills and games

WHEN? Sessions start Sunday 6th March 2022

WHERE? Indoors in Sandylands Sports Hall, Skipton

Open to all families in Craven | Take home equipment to play at home

Each child must be 3-5 years old and have a parent, adult or teenage family member joining in. It is FREE to attend but you must commit to 6 sessions.

Call, Text or WhatsApp HomeStart Craven on **07585 232014** to book a place

Generous funding received from:

