

### **Hellifield Community Primary School Newsletter**





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

Welcome to our April Newsletter, Thank you to all those who attended the individual parental consultations. It was lovely to spend time face-to face with parents and carers to discuss children's individual progress and celebrate individual achievements. May we also remind our families to pass on messages directly via the school office (rather than on the playground, as this avoids things being lost in translation).



A big thank you Mr Hinchcliffe from The Craven School of Music. He attended a recent school assembly and whisked us around the world by the power of his accordion! First stop, we imagined ourselves sat near the river in Paris with views of the Eiffel Tower! It was truly magical listening to the beautiful melodies with two additional star performances by pupils. If you would like for your child to take up this opportunity to learn music, please let us know or contact Craven School of Music

directly via: cravenschoolofmusic@hotmail.co.uk Or Tel: 07401 768356. It is recommended that accordion can be started from age 5 years and upwards. Due to grants from Craven District Council, new starters would receive 10 lessons (no charge) including instrument use free for this period. Previously, Mr Hinchcliffe has also offered keyboard and guitar tuition at Hellifield C. P School. Everyone is welcome!

World Book Day: It was wonderful to see some very different pupils attending our school on World Book Day. This included characters from The Midnight Gang and Peter Pan in an array of colourful Pyjamas! We also had as lots of other characters including Harry Potters, Scarecrows, Solders, Princesses, Nights in Shining Armour and so many more! Every pupil at our lovely school made such an effort (An extra special thank you to our parents and carers!). We also had some very different looking grown ups. This also included members of The Midnight Gang, a School Cook from Billionaire Boy, Tom Sawyer, Mr Clumsy, Burglar Bill, and A Swash and a Squeeze. A special mention to Aunt Sponge and Aunt Spiker from James and the Giant Peach – they both kept us all very busy throughout the day! We did lots of lovely activities linking to the joy of reading and storytelling. Our dinner menu was based on Around the World in 80 Days by Jules Verne. First stop was India for a month watering curry, then on to Australia for Australian Crunch! A big thank you to everyone for making this event both educational and so much fun!







International Women's Day 2023: On Wednesday the 7th of March, we supported International Women's Day by holding a girls football session across The Federation. This was an optional event and those who took part had lots of fun! We had lots of positive encouragement from the boys which was wonderful.



The Tempest: A big thank you to all the staff and pupils at Giggleswick Junior School for inviting us to their wonderful production of the Tempest! We had a lovely afternoon with our Year 6 pupils at the Richard Whitely seeing the works of Shakespeare come to life.



Usborne Book Fair Event: A big thank you to all those who supported our Usborne Book Fair. We are now very much looking forward to reading a number of new books in our library collection (supplied by supporting this initiative). A special thank you to Mrs Cawood for organising this lovely event.



### Dates for Diaries 2023 (Please note, diary ay change and dates will also be added

| Monday 17th April                       | Teacher INSET Day   |
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| Tuesday 18th April                      | Start of term for pupils  |
| Monday 1st May                          | Bank Holiday  |
| Tuesday 2nd May                         | Pupils return to school   |
| Friday 5th May                          | Hellifild C.P. School<br>Coronation Party Lunch<br>(Wear red, white and blue -<br>optional or party clothing)<br>More information to follow |
| Sunday 7th May                          | May Day Event Long Preston Village Green More information to follow   |
| Monday 8th May                          | Bank Holiday<br>(King's Coronation)   |
| From Tuesday 9th of May                 | Pupils return to school SATs Week   |
| Friday 26th May                         | School closes at 3.30pm for half term   |
| Monday 5th June                         | Start of term for pupils  |
| Wednesday 12th to<br>Friday 14th July   | The London Residential<br>(Information event will be held<br>prior to trip - more information<br>to follow) (Year 5 & 6 Pupils)             |
| Friday 21st July                        | School closes at 3.30pm for the Summer holidays   |
| Monday 24th July &<br>Tuesday 25th July | Teacher INSET Days  |

### Friends of Hellifield Primary School









A big thank you to all those who supported our recent Coffee Morning Event

Friends raised £423.85!

We would also like to thank Friends for organising the Mother's Day Event (Friday 17th March)

Swimming updates to follow next half term



SETTLE AREA **SWIMMING POOL** 

March 23



Whole School Attendance 98.2%

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 (Part of The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools)



## Notice Board (Other Events)



## TREASURE HUNT

Around Hellifield Village 31st March - 18th April

Sheets are £1 on sale in H's shop or Aherns



# Year 6 SELFA well-being cafe!

at Settle Pool

5.30pm-6.30pm Wednesdays-term time

Is your child worried about the move to Secondary school?

### Topics include...

Change - Think about what changes and what we can control. Worries - Lets talk about what worries us and what we can do.

Friendships - Lets learn how to make new friends and maintain friendships. Aspiration's - Think about who and what we want to be.

Knowledge - We're going to learn about our new environment.

For more info contact nicole.morgan@selfa.org.uk or 01756 533110





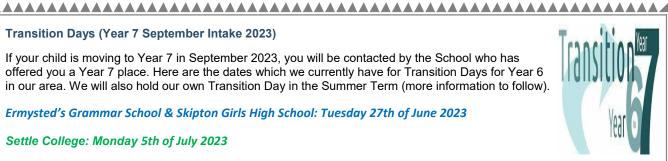


### Transition Days (Year 7 September Intake 2023)

If your child is moving to Year 7 in September 2023, you will be contacted by the School who has offered you a Year 7 place. Here are the dates which we currently have for Transition Days for Year 6 in our area. We will also hold our own Transition Day in the Summer Term (more information to follow).

Ermysted's Grammar School & Skipton Girls High School: Tuesday 27th of June 2023

Settle College: Monday 5th of July 2023



#### **Head-Lice**

We had a number of head-lice conformations reported to school. It is recommended that you should examine your child's head, especially behind the ears and at the nape of the neck, for crawling lice and nits if your child exhibits symptoms of a head lice infestation. This can be detected by children head scratching. If crawling lice or nits are found, all household members should be examined for crawling lice and nits every 2-3 days. Please continue to check your child's/children's hair regular - all long hair must be tied back for school (Thank you).

For more information, you may wish to follow the NHS link for guidance below.

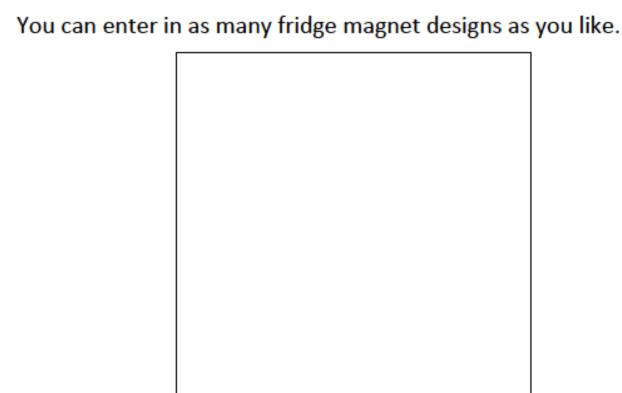
https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/



# Design a Fridge Magnet Competition!

Over this Easter holiday The Courtyard Dairy wants you to design their new 2023 fridge magnet!

To enter all you need to do is draw your perfect idea in the box below.



You can draw anything you want, any shape, and any colour; just make sure it fits in the box.

Ideas for themes of your magnet include: The Yorkshire Dales, the Settle and Craven area, or cheese!

As well as seeing their fridge magnet design printed to be sold in the shop, the winning entry will also receive 10 fridge magnets to give to their family and friends and a £20 gift voucher for Settle's Toy Shop: The House That Jack Built.

Entrants need to be 11 and under. Drop your completed designs into The Courtyard Dairy by Mon 17<sup>th</sup> April or send in via post or email (orders@thecourtyarddairy.co.uk).