



# Long Preston EVA Primary School Newsletter



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

Welcome to our **September Newsletter**. We hope you had a lovely summer and that everyone has had time to relax and recharge their batteries spending quality time with your family. We are very much looking forward to another super academic year and have lots planned across our Federation. We would like to say a big warm welcome to our new starters who have joined us this term, who are all looking very smart in their school uniform and bursting with enthusiasm! Mr Wiseman, joins the Federation as Assistant Head and will be working across the Federation and Miss Walmsley has joined our team as Starlings class teacher. I am sure you will all give them both a very warm welcome! Mrs Mercer will be working in partnership with Mrs Jones who will both be delivering PE across our classes. We also have Mrs Cawood joining us 1 morning per week teaching in Robins



We will all very much cherish the moments we have with our current Year 6 pupils and prepare them as much as we can for their transition to Year 7 in 2024! Here is to another super year a head of us all! Kind regards Mrs Maddocks and the Long Preston Staff Team.

## Dates for Diaries 2023/24 *(Please note, diary dates may change and dates will also be added throughout the academic year)*

Monday 4th September & Tuesday 5th September	Teacher INSET Days
Wednesday 6th September	Start of term for Years 1 to 6
Thursday 7th September	Start of term for Reception pupils
Wednesday 13th September	Year 4, 5 & 6 Swimming at Settle Swimming Pool (PM Session) see letter for details to follow
Monday 18th September	Year 5 Ingleborough Walk & SDA Sports Club starts (KS 2 pupils this half term)
Wednesday 20th September	Meet the Teacher (Session 1: 3.30 to 4.00pm) (Session 2: 4.14 to 4.45pm)
Thursday 21st September (PM)	Johnny Walker Tag Rugby Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 (Those wanting to take part took a letter home) Giggleswick
Friday 22nd September (pm)	Inter Schools Cross County Event Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Giggleswick
Week Commencing 25/09/23	NSPCC Assemblies scheduled across The Ribblesdale Federation
Friday 29th September	McMillan Coffee Event (HCPS) - More information to follow
Tuesday 11th & Wednesday 12th October	Bikeability for Year 5 & 6 more info to follow.
Monday 23rd October	NHS Team in to deliver the Flu Nasal Vaccine with parental consent (11 to 12.30pm) letters to follow on for parents (R to Yr: 6)
Friday 27th October	Halloween Disco (More information to follow) School closes for half term
Tuesday 31st October	Deadline to apply for a Year 7 place at a chosen secondary school <a href="https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-secondary-school-place">https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-secondary-school-place</a>
Monday 6th November	Start of term for pupils
Saturday 25th November	Settle Christmas Lights Switch on - See press for details
Friday 22nd December	School closes at 3.30pm for half term
Monday 8th January	Teacher INSET Day
Tuesday 9th January	Start of term for pupils
Friday 9th February	School closes at 3.30pm for half term
Monday 19th February	Start of term for pupils
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Friday 22nd March	School closes at 3.30pm for half term for Easter
Monday 8th April	Teacher INSET Day
Tuesday 9th April	Start of term for pupils
Monday 6th May	Bank holiday
Week Commencing from Monday 13th May	Date from Gov.uk SATs Week
Friday 24th May	School closes at 3.30pm for half term
Monday 3rd June	Start of term for pupils
Friday 19th July	School closes at 3.30pm for Summer
Monday 22nd July	Teacher INSET Day

### Staffing 23/24 - The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools: Hellifield SLT

**Executive Headteacher:** Mrs Maddocks  
**Assistant Head teachers:** Miss Mounsey, Mr Wiseman and Miss Houghton (maternity leave)  
**School Business Manager:** Mrs Middleton  
**Robins Class - Teachers:** Mrs Whithead & Mrs Cawood (Supported by Mrs Stirton)  
**Starlings Class - Teacher:** Miss Walmsley & Mrs Jones (Supported by Mrs Coultherd)  
**Owls Class - Teacher:** Ms Ward & Mr Wiseman (Supported by Mrs Hopkins, Mrs Greaves & Mrs Fortune)  
**School Cook:** Mrs Vickery -  
**School Administrator:** Mrs Middleton / Mrs Croft  
**School's I.C.T Technician:** Mr Freytag - **School Caretaker & Cleaner:** Mr Jackson



### Safeguarding Information: Long Preston EVA Primary School Designated Safeguarding Lead: - Mrs Catherine Maddocks Executive Headteacher Deputy SDL: Mr Shaun Wiseman & Miss Rachel Mounsey



The Ribblesdale Federation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all the children who attend our three schools.

### Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator: Mrs Nicola Devereux

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 Devereux, via the school office. All correspondence will be



**Summer Reading Challenge:** Thank you to all those who supported the Summer Reading Challenge this year which was launched in a special school assembly before we finished for the summer holidays! This is run by all North Yorkshire Libraries during the school holidays. This year the theme is the power of play, sport, games and physical activity. The challenge for children is to read 6 library books of their choice and collect special stickers and other prizes (including a fold out frisbee) along the way – and everyone who finishes will receive a limited-edition Ready Set Read! medal and a certificate. Any child aged 4 to 11 can join in. The challenge has already started and runs until Sat 9th Sept so you can sign up at your local library now! Watch Fox Class from Bentham Community Primary School tell you all about it: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qViVZjyKdSQ> The YouTube link is the promotional video which our pupils will have already seen at school. As requested, a North Yorkshire Library Team representative will return this term to celebrate all those who took part!



July 23 Whole School  
97.07%

## House Keeping & General Information:

**The School Day:** Start of day: 8.45am, Lunch - 12pm to 1.00pm (Including Playtime), Home-time: 3.30pm, After School Clubs: Run from the end of the school day to 4.30pm (Tuesday, Thursday & Friday)). For booking, please contact school office. Please remember to bring in PE kits on Monday to be collected on Fridays each week or left in school for the half term.



**School Money (we are a cashless school):** For our current families, we hope that any outstanding payments due were cleared during the summer holiday period. If you have anything still outstanding, we kindly ask if this can be paid in full as soon as possible (as a matter of urgency as all pupils should now have a £0 balance on their individual account - thank you). Guidance on School Money is also available via our website; you can also contact school if you need any further assistance.



**Milk:** For all pupils under the age of 5, individuals are entitled to free milk, however we offer milk to all pupils throughout the school at a cost of 20p a day to be paid half termly through School Money. Please email Admin to let us know if you want your child to have milk at playtime. For families who already have confirmed they would like milk to be provided, this will continue as usual. If your child is funded for Free School Meals (NOT Universal Free School Meals), we can provide this, but please still contact us to let us know if you haven't already had [admin@ribblesdalefed.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ribblesdalefed.n-yorks.sch.uk) - Thank you).



**Admin Packs:** Please be aware an admin pack will be sent home to each family. Please complete at home and returned to school once you have received one (per child). These packs will be treated as confidential once returned and we will update any data based on your child's information.



**Friends of Long Preston Primary:** For our new families who have recently become part of our school, we are very proud of our Friends of Long Preston Team (PTA). We are currently looking for parents to join this group and help with the various fund raising events throughout the year. If you would like to know more or are happy to join then please speak to Mrs Stirton/Mrs Hopkins/Mrs Coultherd.



**Clothing & Bookbags:** Please label clothing to avoid uniform being mixed up. We recommend Velcro shoes for our little ones. Please do not let your child/children bring toys or objects into school in or on their book bags, especially in Robins Class. The only things children need on a daily basis are: coat, water bottle with WATER in (no juice please) and any extra clothing kits (e.g. PE / swimming). This also includes packed lunch if they do not wish to have a lunch provided by school. Our school dinners are very popular and ingredients are locally sourced and everything is cooked freshly on site each day.



It is advisable for children in Robins class to have wellies and waterproof trousers in school as they have access to the outside space whatever the weather.

**Swimming:** Swimming blocks (per class) will start soon for Years 4, 5 & 6 and will gradually filter through to each class to our youngest pupils in the summer term (Please refer to diary dates for our swimming blocks as these will be added as the academic year progresses. Pupils are to bring swimming kits with them each Wednesday, this includes a towel (swimming goggles optional with the responsibility of the pupil). Please remove any earrings/watches/jewellery on Swimming days. Transport will be provided via Bibbys of Ingleton and we will be departing from school after lunch on Wednesday afternoons from 13/09/23 for our current cohort. Swimming tuition and transportation is funded by Sports premium Funding.



**Celebration Assemblies:** Celebration Assemblies will take place each Friday at 9.00am. You are invited to join us as usual to celebrate your children's achievements each week. Please arrive and leave via Reception. Please sign in and wear a visitor sticker upon arrival.



Class Assembly



**The Ribblesdale Federation Governing Board**

Chair of the Governing Board: To be confirmed at the meeting on the 15/9, following the resignation of Mr Paul Gibbons. Currently, the Vice Chair, Mr Bradley is acting in this role.  
Vice Chair: Mr Andrew Bradley  
Mr Andrew Bradley: Co-opted Governor  
Mr James Atkinson: Co-opted Governor  
Rev Sue McWhinney: Co-opted Governor  
Rev James Rodley: Co-opted Governor  
Mrs Emmy Hodgson: Co-opted Governor  
Mr Carl Shuttleworth: Parent Governor  
Ms Anna Lawrence: Parent Governor



**The Ribblesdale Federation Governing Board continued**

Safeguarding Link Governor: Rev Sue McWhinney  
SEND/Mental Health Link Governor: Rev James Rodley  
LA Governor: Vacant Post



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