



Friday 16th November 2018

Autumn Term Edition 9

Dear Parents

Firstly, thank you to all those parents and children who managed to attend the Remembrance Service on School Hill on Sunday 11th November 2018. It was lovely to see so many familiar faces paying their respects to all those service men and women who have been involved in combat and active service. A huge well done to Ellie-May, Alma and Robyn who read 'In Flanders Field' beautifully.

At the time of writing, I am busy packing my overnight bag prior to joining children in years 3 and 4 on their residential stay at Ingleborough Hall. For many children this will be their first time away from home without family. I am very excited about our programme for the two days and look forward to telling you about what we get up to next week. Thank you to Mrs Hodgson and Miss Thwaite for joining me and enabling this trip to take place.

This week I joined Class 5 for an English lesson where children demonstrated some amazing creative writing skills using fronted adverbials.... not sure what they are? Ask a child from Class 5!

This week Miss Thwaite and I attended some 'Philosophy for Children' training. We have some more training to complete - this is an exciting start to a new project we will be taking part in throughout school.

I also went on a training day with Mrs Hodgson about whole class reading. As you may have already noticed we are keen to improve our children's love of reading and we have already begun a few initiatives this term. There is more to come though and following the training both myself and Mrs Hodgson came away armed with ideas, resources and even more enthusiasm for ensuring children develop a passion for reading!

Finally, please start hunting in your cupboards for items that could be donated to school for our Christmas Fair. See information below about our non-uniform day next week.

Thank you and have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Pearson

WORLD DIABETES DAY Thank you to all those children in years 2,3,4, 5 and 6 who supported World Diabetes Day. We managed to not only raise an amazing £91.00 for Diabetes UK, but also to raise awareness about this life changing condition. Thank you to everyone for their support.

WELL DONE A massive WELL DONE to Chris Hitchin who successfully reached a wet and windy summit of Helvellyn on Sunday 11th November. If you have kindly sponsored Mr Hitchin's climb, which was in support of the Cumbria Down's Syndrome Support Group, then can you please hand sponsorship money into the School Office as quickly as possible. Alternatively, if you did not get an opportunity to sponsor Chris Hitchin and would like to make a donation towards this worthy cause, then there is a collection bucket in the School Office. Thanking everyone for their support.



Bag2School There will be a Bag2School collection on **Tuesday 20th November 2018**. Bag2School is a company specialising in second hand clothing that can be re-used. All collections are weighed and paid for – meaning that the more we collect, the bigger the benefit for our school. Bag2School collect adult and children's clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, soft toys, bedding, curtains and towels. They DO NOT accept duvets, pillows, cushions school or work uniforms. Why not have a pre-Christmas clear out and help raise all important funds for the school at the same time? Collection bags have been sent home via children's book bags. Additional bags are available from the School Office. Thank you to everyone for their continued support.

ART PROJECTS FOR SCHOOLS – CHRISTMAS CARD PROJECT 2018 Firstly, thank you to Mrs Chapman for kindly organising a Christmas Card fundraising event with Art Projects for Schools. Secondly, thank you to all those parents and families who placed an order for Christmas cards, gift wrap and tags all in a design personally produced by their child – we managed to

raise an astounding £138.50! Please remember that all funds raised for school help ALL children in ALL classes.

BEWERLEY PARK RESIDENTIAL On **Monday 19th November at 3.30pm** there will be a meeting for parents of children in **Year 5** who will be taking part in next year's residential to Bewerley Park. The meeting will be full of information about the trip and there will be an opportunity for parents to raise any questions they might have.

STAY AND LEARN

Classes 1 and 2

Thursday 6th December 2018 from 9.00am – 10.00am

Class 3

Wednesday 21st November 2018 from 10.50am-12.00m/d

We would love to see as many parents as possible joining their children on these dates in their classes.

Wednesday 21st November 18 9.00am until 10.00am : informal coffee morning with Mrs Pearson and Miss Richardson with an Early Years focus. We hope lots of parents of children in Nursery and Reception can join us.

A Christmas Assorted! On Friday 23rd November ALL children in ALL classes are invited to join a 'Christmas Hamper' raising non-uniform day! In return for not wearing a uniform, children are requested to donate to school an item that could be included in a fundraising Christmas Assorted Hamper! Donations could include chocolate, sweets, wine, biscuits, Christmas puddings, Yule logs, in fact any item that is food or drink related that could be included in a Christmas Hamper to be raffled off at the school's Christmas Fair on Friday 30th November 18. Thank you.

SETTLE STORIES On Wednesday 21st November, Dominic Kelly, who the BBC have recently acknowledged as a 'Master Storyteller', will be in school working with children in Classes 3 and 4 inspiring a love for stories. For more information about Settle Stories, why not visit their website at www.settlestories.org.uk/festival.

BOOK FAIR On Tuesday 27th November the school will be hosting a Book Fair. What a wonderful opportunity to purchase a few stocking fillers and encourage reading at the same time? More details to follow.

JAS SINGH On Thursday 22nd November Jas Singh a practising Sikh will be visiting the school and delivering a series of workshops to children. There will be a whole school assembly, together with Turban Tying workshops. What a wonderful opportunity for children of all ages to explore and learn about cultural diversities.

ROAD SAFETY WEEK Next week school will taking part in 'Road Safety Week' and continuing to reinforce to children the importance of Road Safety. There will be a whole school assembly, together with some exciting whole school homework... please remember during winter months, light fades at both the beginning and end of the school day, making visibility an issue for ALL road users and pedestrians. Please remember to '**Be Bright, Be Seen**'. For more information, please visit www.think.gov.uk.

PARENTPAY Can we **please** remind parents/carers to regularly check their Parentpay accounts. Currently there are 60 accounts showing as being in debt. Please remember if you have any difficulty making any payments, then please contact the school sooner rather than later.

By way of a reminder, the following trips/visits are currently active:-

Beauty and the Beast (Years 2,3,4,5 and 6) : deadline for payment 30/11/2018

The Selfish Giant (Reception and Year 1) : deadline for payment 23/11/2018

Houses of Parliament Deposit : Year 6 : 16/11/2018

Bewerley Park Residential : Year 5 : deposit to be paid by 31/11/2018 balance by 25/02/2019.

Whitby 2019 : Year 6 : Deposit to be paid by 31/01/2019 .

Unfortunately, there are currently 42 payments outstanding for Beauty and the Beast and 17 (out of 33) for The Selfish Giant. By way of a reminder, if not enough parents are willing to pay for these trips then they will be CANCELLED.

Keeping Children Safe : Remember, even if you are worried about a child, you can contact the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000 or e-mail help@nspcc.org.uk. The helpline is available 24/7 and calls can be made anonymously.

Run, Bike, Run – Off Road Fun On Sunday 18th November 2018 from 1.00pm at Giggleswick Junior School there will be a Run, Bike, Run event taking place. Registration is from 1.00pm with a 2.00pm start. Please note, it is compulsory to walk the course at 1.30pm. The event includes a choice of distances

for each category. For more information, please contact Jill Eccleston on 07955 342 344 or visit info@runbikefun.co.uk

Queen Elizabeth School, Kirkby Lonsdale, Christmas

Fair On Friday 30th November QES will be holding their Christmas Fair from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Admission is £1.00 each per adult and children are free.

POPPY APPEAL Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Poppy Appeal by purchasing a Poppy or fundraising item from the school. We managed to raise an amazing £151.74. Thank you.

What's on next week?

Road Safety Week

Monday 19th November 2018

Music Lessons : Mrs Brennan (Flute/Keyboard)

Lunchtime Knitting Club

1.00pm : Class 5 **FINAL** Swimming Lesson at Settle Pool

3.30pm Parents' Meeting (Year 5) Bewerley Park

Tuesday 20th November 2018

Lunchtime Football with Jordan

Years 3 and 4 : Basketball (PE)

1.30pm Governors' Meeting

Afterschool Basketball Club with Mark Gunn

Wednesday 21st November 2018

9.00am Coffee Morning with Early Years focus – all welcome

10.50am-12.00m/d Class 3 'Stay and Learn'

Music Lessons : Mrs Brennan (Flute/Keyboard)

Music Lessons : Mr Hinchcliffe (Accordion)

1.00pm Settle Stories

3.30pm to 4.30pm : Jammie Dodgers

Thursday 22nd November 2018

Music Lessons : Guitar : Matthew Annable

Jigsaw After School Club for invited children

Jas Singh : Workshops

Friday 23rd November 2018

Non-Uniform Day : Christmas Hamper donations

3.00pm Praise Assembly (Parents Welcome)

FESTIVE CALENDER

Friday 30th November 2018 from 3.30pm to 6.00pm

FOB's Christmas Fair in the School Hall

Wednesday 5th December 2018 : The Selfish Giant

Friday 14th December 2018 : Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day

Monday 17th December 2018 at 2.00pm KS2 Christmas Performance for Senior Citizens ONLY.

Tuesday 18th December 2018 at 6.00pm Nursery – Year 2 Nativity

Wednesday 19th December 2018 at 2.00pm Nursery-Year 2 Nativity

Wednesday 19th December 2018 at 6.00pm KS2 Christmas Performance

Thursday 20th December 2018 : Beauty and the Beast (years 2,3,4,5 and 6)

Friday 21st December 2018 : Christmas Party Day