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Important Dates

Wednesday 19th October: Cracoe and Rylstone Harvest Festival at St Peter's Church, Rylstone 9am

Wednesday 19th October: Kettlewell Harvest festival at St Mary's Church Kettlewell 11am

Wednesday 19th October: Burnsall Harvest festival at St. Wilfrid's Church @ 1pm

Wednesday 19th October: Parents' Evening

Friday 21st October: Break up for half term

Monday 31st October: Return to School

Autumn 2 dates:

Monday 7th November: Open mornings for prospective parents (Reception 2023/Preschool 2023) at Grassington

Tuesday 8th November: Open mornings for prospective parents (Reception 2023/Preschool 2023) at Cracoe

Wednesday 9th November: Open mornings for prospective parents (Reception 2023/Preschool 2023) at Kettlewell

Thursday 10th November: Open mornings for prospective parents (Reception 2023/Preschool 2023) at Burnsall

Thursday 17th November: Class 2 trip to Salts Mills, Saltaire along with Grassington Class 2

Friday 18th November: Beetle Drive Burnsall VHall @ 5.30pm

Friday 18th November: Children in Need Day

Wednesday 23rd November: Flu Immunisation Day

Thursday 8th December: Federation Carol Service at St Michael & All Angels Church, Linton 6pm

Christmas Dates to follow soon.



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Dear Parents,

Welcome to this week's newsletter. This week was the first of our Harvest Festivals and the pupils, staff and parents from Grassington got together to share songs, poems and readings about harvest time. They supported Skipton Food Bank and the generous contributions were all gratefully received. Thank you to all parents and children who contributed to the collection and attended the event.

Microsoft forms:

To reduce the use of paper and administrator time collating letters, we are going to try to use Microsoft Forms more often as a way of communicating and collecting information. There are two examples of this within today's newsletter and we ask that you support us by using the links and completing attached forms for the carol service and the Acceptable Use Policy.

Spirituality:

During a school visit with our new Diocesan advisor (Paul Bowlas) and then with governors, we looked at the Federation definition of spirituality and I wanted to take this opportunity to share that with you.

Our shared definition of spirituality within our school overarches five areas that we weave into school life:

- A sense of awe and wonder
- A time to pause and reflect
- Love and care for the living world
- Ask big questions
- Celebrating life's joys and achievements

Evidence of spirituality can be seen within our school - through the ethos, relationships, displays, children's work and the culture we have among staff and governors

Safeguarding Update-E safety:

As a Federation, we have been updating our e-safety policy and the new version will be on our school website in the next few days. The policy asks that all parents, pupils and staff read and agree to an Acceptable Use Policy. Please use this link to a Microsoft Form to complete our parental Acceptable Use policy.





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<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rSgpYgAJvOWQLe1EJ2Wj6BmRhvLb5Q5JjYAMv4ZXixxURFJRUVJNSIJWRjJNNuXjVIJLMIFZT01QSS4u>

This week seemed like the perfect week to highlight the importance of e safety and share a few links to useful webpages and resources which support parents in navigating the world of technology that our children live in.

Here are a couple of recommended sites that support parents and offer advice on a range of online safety issues.

[Home \(lgfl.net\)](http://Home.lgfl.net)

[Parents and carers | CEOP Education \(thinkuknow.co.uk\)](http://Parents and carers | CEOP Education (thinkuknow.co.uk))

[The following poster shares 6 Top Tips for parents from the London Grid for Learning parents' page.](#)

LGfL **DigiSafe** *keeping children safe* **SIX TOP TIPS**
For Parents To Keep Your Children Safe Online

Children and young people are bound to spend lots more time on devices since Covid. **DON'T FEEL BAD** – lots will be schoolwork or healthy ways of catching up with friends or having fun. There are many ways to keep them safe, healthy and happy.

Don't worry about screen time; aim for screen quality

Scrolling through social media isn't the same as making a film or story, or Skyping Grandma. Use the Children's Commissioner's 'Digital Five A Day' to plan or review each day together.

Check the safety settings are turned on

Whether it's your home internet, mobile devices, consoles, apps or games, there are lots of settings to make them safer. The key ones are - can they chat to strangers, can they video chat or 'go live', are their posts public? **Internet Matters** has hundreds of guides to parental controls.

Get your children to show you their apps and games

You don't need to know all about the latest app or game, but if your child shows you what they are doing and with whom, you'll probably see if it's appropriate or not. Remember 18 games are not more advanced – they are harmful to children! For parent guides to apps, including recommendations for kidsafe apps and video platforms, search for **Common Sense Media** or **NSPCC's NetAware**. And why not download the **BBC Own It** app?

Don't try to hide news about scary things in the news

If you don't talk about it, your children might read inappropriate pages, believe scary stories or simply catastrophise in their heads. Why not watch **Newsround** together and talk about how they feel – there is guidance from **Childline** to help you.

Remind them of key online safety principles

There are too many to list, but remember human behaviour is the same online and offline. Remind your children to be a good friend, to ask for help if they are worried or if someone is mean, not to get undressed on camera and most important of all... if somebody tells them not to tell or ask for help because it's too late or they will get in trouble, **THAT'S A LIE!**

If you aren't sure, ASK!

Your school may be able to give you advice, but there are plenty of other places to ask for help as a parent or a child, whether it is advice or help to fix something. Lots of sites are listed at reporting.lgfl.net, including ones to tell your kids about (they might not want to talk to you in the first instance).

Be Mindful, Connect, Give to others, Be Active, Get Creative

Why not stick me to the fridge and check in each day?



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Federation events:

Carol Service:

The Christmas Carol service will be held in Linton at 6pm on Thursday 8th December. We hope, very much, that families from across the Federation will join us. In the first instance we are opening this event up to two adults per family but once we have numbers and tickets have been issued, we will offer any spare tickets on a first come first serve basis. It is important to let us know if you will be attending to allow us to allocate additional tickets and also so we order enough mince pies! Please use the form below to reserve your seats. This will be a family service and children will sit with their families but may be called up to do readings or take part in the service.

<https://forms.microsoft.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rSgpYgAJv0WQLe1EJ2Wj6BmRhvLbSQ5JjYAMv4ZXixxUQjcxNzFaOEZKOEJVMUxDMFdJMTThCVDhITy4u>

World Mental Health Day:



This week the children came to school in odd socks to celebrate the theme of 'same but different' as part of National Mental Health week. We all know the importance of looking after our own mental health and that of our children, so it has been good this week to reflect on mental health and looking after ourselves with the children and complete activities around this theme.



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Children in Need- bakers at the ready!

Friday 18th November is Children in Need and we will be fundraising with a SPOTacular bun sale at each school. **Please can you make or buy (either is fine) cakes, buns or biscuits** and send them into your school on the morning of the 18th along with a contribution in a named envelope to buy a bun or a biscuit with.



Children are also invited to wear their own clothes as a 'dress down day' and asked to contribute a £1 for this great cause. The theme is spots but any 'dress down' option is fine. Please be aware that KS2 children will be taking part in PE as part of Federation Friday so please go for a sporty option when choosing outfits.

There are some baking ideas on the following link, if you need inspiration.

[SPOTacular biscuits and cakes - BBC Children in Need](#)

Coats:

Please can we ask that now the weather has changed, please make sure your child/ren has a coat at school. Thank you



House Points:

Diamond	Sapphire	Ruby	Emerald
207	198	239	205



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Shine Awards:

Shine



Amelie – for being helpful and kind to everyone in the school community.

Isla – for showing determination to succeed with some tricky maths.

Ruby – For working extremely hard in all areas of the curriculum – what an excellent start to Yr. 5.

Edie – For being a helpful maths friend in class.

Angus – you have been such a role model this week, showing kindness and respect. A very responsible and hard working week – both at home and school – well done Angus.

Clemency – for her perseverance and smiley disposition! Clemency you LOVE school and always let us know. Your smile is infectious and you are trying so hard to become a more independent learner.



Dinner Money – Class 2 & 3 only:

Dinner money for this half term - 06-09-22-21.10.22(7 weeks) - will be £99.00. This is available to pay via parent pay. You should have all received login details for this. If you haven't received the details, please contact school. **Please can all balances be checked before the end of term 21.10.22. Thank you.**

School Dinners





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Harvest: DON'T FORGET!!

For our Harvest Festival on Wednesday the 19th October we are collecting for Skipton Food Bank. At the start of the week commencing 17th October, if you could spare a tin of food or a bag of pasta it would be gratefully received.



Our service will start at 1pm and will last approximately 30 minutes for anybody that would like to attend. Everybody welcome.

Cookery:

Class 1 will be cooking for the next three weeks; please can they bring a container. (Tuesdays).

Flu Immunisation: REMINDER

4 weeks until the consent portal closes!

The School Age Immunisation Service will be visiting your child's school on **23/11/22** to deliver the nasal spray flu vaccine.

Please ensure you have completed the online consent form for your child to receive this vaccine.

Your child will not receive this vaccine without a valid consent form.

Access the consent link here: <https://www.hdftsais.co.uk/>

School code: **HD121622**

If you have any problems with completing the online consent, please contact the Immunisations Consent Team on **03000 032554**

For more information on the flu nasal spray vaccine please visit:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/>



Parents Evening: - 19th October:

You will have all now received your time for parents evening. This was sent via email, so please check to make sure that this is convenient to yourselves. Thank you

Kind regards,

Mrs C Greenwood & Mr C Parkhouse

Executive Headteachers

