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Friday Newsletter September 9th 2022

Dear Parents,

A warm welcome back to all of the children this week; they appear to be refreshed and energised - ready for the term ahead! This is our first newsletter as the new Co Executive Head teachers for the Federation and we have spent time in each school this week to start to get to know everyone. It has been really good to meet many of you this week as you dropped off and collected your children.

We held our first coffee morning at Grassington this week and wanted to say a big thank you to all parents that attended. It was lovely to meet you all. The details of future dates are below.

Coffee mornings

Thursday 15th - Cracoe and Rylstone -9am

Thursday 22nd- Burnsall-9am

Thursday 29th -Kettlewell-8.30am

Parent Survey

You should have received an email this week asking you to complete a parent survey. We really appreciate your time to complete this as it provides invaluable feedback on the Federation.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=rSgpYgAJv0WQLe1EJ2Wj6LSIzwwHw8IFkAQDf3FqJp9UNkhWSVJMSU+CQ0hLMjJIWkQyQ1POTBQNCQIQCNOPWcu>

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We have many new faces in our school this week. Welcome to...
Abbie, Guy, Woody, Miriam and Reuben.

The Upper Wharfedale Pre-School:

Herbie, Eddy, Xander, Phoebe, Ruby, Elliott, Lyla, Aurora and Heidi

Welcome to Marie Anderson our new class one teacher at Cracoe and Rylstone and to Emily McLean who will teach class one at Kettlewell on a Friday.

Sending congratulations to Miss Linney and Mrs McGee. They both welcomed baby boys over the summer holidays.

Communication

Every Friday you will receive a newsletter which provides parents with key dates, information and what has been happening in school. In addition to this, each of our schools has a social media page on Facebook and a federation page. We use social media to celebrate some of the wonderful learning that takes place in our schools.

Any urgent reminders will be sent out via email or text. Please ensure that any new email address or telephone number is given to the school administrator.

We pride ourselves on forging strong relationships with parents and are always on hand at the start and end of the school day. Should you wish to speak to your child's class teacher away from the playground please make an appointment by emailing the school office. After a discussion with the class teacher, if you feel things are unresolved then the next point of contact is the senior leader in school: Miss Thompson (Burnsall), Mrs Cumberland (Cracoe), Mr Scott (Grassington), Miss Oakes (Kettlewell) and finally the headteacher. Both can be contacted via the school office.

PE Days

Please send your child to school in their PE kits on the following days:

Class 1: Monday & Thursday

Class 2: Tuesday & Friday - Please remember that YR3 & 4 will need their swimming kit.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is available at our school and charged at £3.50 per session. If you would like your child to join Breakfast Club please email the school office. Places can be booked ad-hoc or regular bookings.



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After School Club

After School Club is open Monday to Thursday until 6pm and held at Grassington Primary. Pupils are taken by a member of staff in our federation mini bus to the after school club (Kettlewell children travel by taxi)

It is run by Kanga Sports and places must be booked directly with them. Each session always has a sporting activity as well as a quiet space for children to enjoy crafts, reading or making dens. To book a place please contact Kanga Sports:

<https://www.kangasports.co.uk/>

Uniform Reminders

All schools in the federation have a school uniform which all children are expected to wear.

All school uniform can be purchased at Skip to School-32/34 Water Street Skipton BD23 1PB.

Uniform

Grey skirt/pinafore/dress/trousers

White blouse/polo shirt/school logo polo shirt

Blue sweatshirt with or without the school logo

Blue/white or grey socks

Blue/White summer dress

Black shoes-Trainers are not to be worn apart for PE and long hair needs to be tied back.

PE Kit

Black shorts/joggers

White T shirt/logo T shirt

Kettlewell PE hoodie

Pumps/trainers

Jewellery should not be worn in school for safety reasons

Small stud earrings may be worn but should be removed for PE and swimming

Swimming

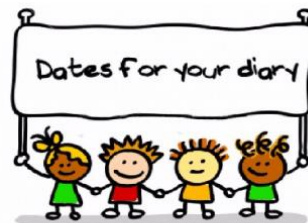
We are trialling a new approach to swimming.

Autumn term- all pupils in years 3 and 4 from Grassington and Kettlewell will go swimming

Spring term- All year 3 and 4 pupils from Cracoe and Burnsall will go swimming

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Over the summer we have had our preschool provision renovated and the staff from preschool and class one worked wonders to make sure it was ready for the first day to welcome our pre-schoolers back. The new spacious setting, as well as our beautiful outdoor area, is a wonderful learning environment and now all set for a successful year. We will arrange a time very soon to invite you all to have a good look around but here are a few pictures of the new space. We have spaces available in our preschool, so if you would like to arrange a visit or you know someone who may like to then please ask them to contact Helena Washington on fbm@uwpf.n-yorks.sch.uk or phone Grassington Primary on 01756752365.



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Thursday 22nd September - Burnshall-9am- coffee morning to meet new heads

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Tuesday 20th September - Swimming lessons YR3 & 4

12th-18th September - 1940s treasure hunt around Grassington (PTA have a stall over the weekend)

29th September - Restorative practice training for pupils in years 3 and 6

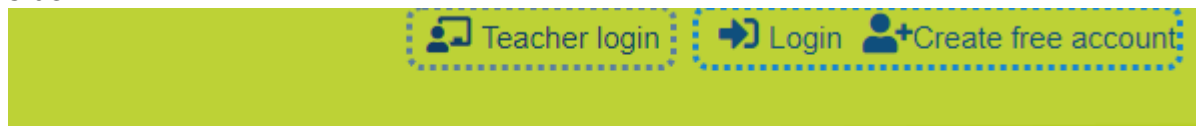
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Reminders - Homework for class 2 this week

They will have a topic grid, where they pick one task (any) and hand it in on the following Thursday. Normally Class 2 will have the following: piece of topic, reading comprehension, some spelling and some maths work. However, because this is the first week, please just select a topic task (see your child's homework book), and their second task is to write a manifesto - say why they would make a good school councillor (worksheet is in homework books). Not all children will want to volunteer for this post, but Miss Oakes would still like them to do the task to reflect on what they think makes a good school councillor. **Hand all homework on a Thursday.**

Next week the children will be getting their log ins for a times table website.

Please look inside your child's reading record. The website is: <https://www.timestables.co.uk/> each child needs to login using link on top right hand side:



They then work through each times table, starting with 1x, earning medals as they progress. They will have time in school to help them learn their tables and build up the speed and recall.



[Times tables games - Learn them all here!](#)

Practise your times tables. Here you can find additional information about practicing times tables at primary school. The 1 times table, 2 times table, 3 times table, 4 times table, 5 times table and 10 times table are usually the first times tables which have to be learned.

www.timestables.co.uk

Toddler group in the village

10.30-12 Fridays in term time at the village hall.

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1940's TREASURE HUNT

Learn some history as you hunt
for clues around Grassington

12th to the 18th of September

Clue sheets are available from
Stripey Badger Bookshop, The Hub and the Post Office

Prizes to be won

Kind regards,

Mrs C Greenwood & Mr C Parkhouse
Executive Headteachers