



GOLDSBOROUGH and SICKLINGHALL Federation

Half Term Newsletter: Autumn 1 Goldsborough CE Primary School



11.10.19

Everything has been busy in school this week as all the classes have been preparing for the Harvest Service.



We have appointed our School Councillors following a rigorous election process; our **Ambassadors** (those children who are role models for our school, doing important jobs for teachers); and our **Prefects** who work alongside the Leadership Team to support changes in school. Look out for those pupils wearing special badges!

Last week I attended the **Licencing of Reverend Stroma McDermott as the Team vicar for Knaresborough** with two girls from school. It was so lovely to welcome her to the village: I know that she will be a real asset to the life of our school.



I hope that you enjoyed our Harvest Service this afternoon and managed to give a warm welcome to Stroma. Thank you for your kind donations too. Thank you also to Leah for kindly baking a wonderful cake for the FROGS cake raffle.

HELP! A polite request from Mr Blackshaw-Howell

*Goldsborough village playground is situated in a lovely setting beside Goldsborough Cricket Club and Henry Webster's arable farm land. In fact, it was the Webster family who generously donated the land for the playground when it was relocated from another spot in the village many years ago. Therefore, Harrogate Borough Council **do not** provide **any** maintenance or support for our playground. The Parish Council kindly support the playground in the form Health and Safety checks, maintenance work and any essential repairs and they also have a rechargeable lawn mower for the cutting of the grass.*



A team of volunteers (including myself) from families around the village and further afield cut the grass on a rota basis and with people moving away we now have a shortage of volunteers to help cover some of the cutting. Derrik Summers (our Parish Clerk) and I do the first and last cuts of the season and a month or so of the regular cutting in-between, but it would be great to get some more volunteers added to the rota. The rota is divided by month, so a volunteer just needs to cut the grass a couple of times a year – a cut takes about an hour.

If anyone is interested in supporting our school to help the children and families who enjoy the Playground, or if you would like to know a little bit more how you could be of assistance, please do not hesitate contact David on 07967816004 / david.blackshaw@arlafoods.com.

Many thanks for your support, David Blackshaw-Howell.



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FROGS: Hot Hair Day: Friday 25th October - £1

Children can come to school with 'hot hair'! This could be a bonfire / Guy Fawkes theme, a 'funny' hair style, 'glamorous' or however they choose to wear it! The style should **not be a Halloween theme** as this has, in the past, been upsetting for our younger children.

FROGS ask for £1 donation for children to come to school with Hot Hair. Please send money in a named envelope with your child. Normal school uniform should be worn.



Playground Snacks:

While staff members have been on playground duty recently, they have noticed that there were a few children walking around with their snacks which have been including grapes that are not cut up. On a 1-2-1 situation at home. I understand that parents would want to educate children on eating such items in a safe way. However, at school, when children are engaging in playground fun, snacks that are not cut up are a choking hazard.

Please could I request that any snack that is provided for break time, such as grapes or carrots, is cut up appropriately.

Open Morning – Tuesday 15th October 2019, 9:30am-11:30am

Is your child due to start school in September 2020 or do you know of a family who have a child due to start? Please join us at our Open Morning to enjoy a tour of school led by **our Y6 Prefects**, and to meet pupils and staff. FROGS (PTA) will be serving tea and coffee in the school hall **from 9.30am before the tour begins at 10am**. Please feel free to pass on the date to families and friends of September 2020 school starters!

Next week our Ethos Statement will be:

These weekly statements are having such a positive impact on the children.

Perhaps you can discuss inspirational people with your child / children over the weekend and their special achievements. Perhaps you could discuss members of the family who have been successful in some way so that the children can share their ideas in our discussions next week.

I was particularly proud of a Class 3 girl this week.

She and her classmates were discussing whether it would be fair if a child brought their own football to school & didn't let others play with it. She explained that our very first Ethos Statement stated that 'Every act of Kindness creates a ripple' & so the person should WANT to share as it would make everyone happy. What a great moment!

Many thanks,



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Weekly Ethos Statement



'Perhaps *this* is the moment for
which *you* were created.'
Esther 4:14





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Miss Pickard

Future Dates

4.11.19 - TRAINING DAY

5.11.19 - Federation WWII trip to Thwaite Mills Willow + Class 4

6.11.19 - 3.15pm Class 4 Bun Sale

11.11.19 - 2:45pm – Class 4 Class Assembly

12.11.19 - 2:45pm – Class 3 Class Assembly

14.11.19 – Bags 2 School

15.11.19 – Children in Need

18.11.19 - 2:45pm – Class 2 Class Assembly

19.11.19 - Class 3 Joint Visit to Nell Bank with Victoria School

21.11.19 - 2:45pm - Class 1 Class Assembly

29.11.19 - 3:30pm FROGS Christmas Fair

13.12.19 - Christmas Jumper Day £1

13.12.19 - Christmas Carols and German Market - Enterprise Project

16.12.19 - Nativity Dress Rehearsal

17.12.19 - Nativity 2pm / 6:30pm.

19.12.19 P&A School Christmas Dinner – children and staff to wear Christmas Jumpers again.

20.12.19 - 2pm – school closes for Christmas.