



# TRACTOR TIMES

**Autumn Term**  
**Friday 12th October**  
**2018**

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Dear Parents/Carers

In last week's Newsletter we asked you to make a note of the date of the Maths & English Parents' Information Evening, which will be held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, from 6pm to 8pm at Grassington Primary School. The evening, which is for parents of children in **all** year groups, will be led by two Local Authority advisers - Heather Russell (English) and Julie Pattison (Maths).

We hope that you will be able to come and find out more about the curriculum in those two areas and particularly about the end of Key Stage expectations for Year 2 and Year 6 children, as well as the "journey" through the preceding academic years that is needed in order for children to meet those expectations and ways in which parents can support their children's learning.

We have been asked whether parents can bring their children and in response I am pleased to be able to say that we are intending to run a crèche-type provision for young children and looking into whether children in Years 3 - 6 can be part of the main meetings, so that they hear the same messages as parents. Once all these details have been finalised, which we hope will be early next week, we will send you a letter with a reply slip to help with our planning.

Finally, looking back over the past week, on Monday all the Key Stage 2 children in the Federation enjoyed workshops leading up to our special Remembrance Day commemorations on 9th November. We must also congratulate all the children who took part in the football tournament on Tuesday. We are very pleased that the children from Kettlewell and Burnsall combined to make a team which enabled them to take part in the competition; this is another example of our Federation working for the benefit of the children.

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## **October Diary Dates**

**Thursday 11 October**

8.30 School Council

**Wednesday 13 October**

Dogs Trust Class Workshops during the school afternoon (date change)

**Tuesday 23 October**

Reception to Year 5 flu immunisations

**Tuesday 23 October**

6.00pm -8.00pm Mathematics and English Information Evening for parents

**Friday 26 October**

**School closes for half term**

## **November Diary Dates**

<b>Monday 5 November</b>	Training Day
<b>Tuesday 6 November</b>	<b>School re-opens after half term</b>
<b>Wednesday 7 November &amp; Thursday 8 November</b>	Parent's Evening
<b>Friday 9 November</b>	Cluster Remembrance Event
<b>Wednesday 21 November</b>	PTA Meeting 8.00pm Devonshire, Grassington

## **Regular Activities and Events**

<b>Every Friday</b>	3.00pm Praise Assembly – All welcome
<b>Every Monday</b>	3.30-4.30 pm Federation Choir, KS2 Children only

## **Parent/Teacher Meetings- Wednesday 7 November and Thursday 8 November**

These meetings, held once per term, enable you to find out how your child is progressing with their learning and discuss any queries or concerns that you may have with your child's class teacher. From Monday, a list of available appointments will be available in the entrance hall. Please either add your name to the list, or alternatively contact Mrs Hardaker or Mr Davey in the school office to make an appointment.

## **Grassington PTA**

The PTA have elected a new Committee and we are pleased to confirm the following individuals who have volunteered to take on specific roles and responsibilities:

- Kate Villarrubia – Chair
- Sian Wheal - Treasurer
- Hannah Harsley – Secretary.



Our PTA depends on a continual cycle of parental involvement. As children reach their final year and leave, so do their parents. There are so many small ways you can help and be involved - from designing a poster, photocopying and distributing letters, cleaning up after an event, helping on a stall or continuing to attend and support the events we hold throughout the School year.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you would like to be involved:

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Grassington-School-PTA

### **Who wants to join our school PTA?**

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What is it for? You say, backing away.

The short answer is fundraising, pennies and pounds –  
The school's tight stretched budget can't always go round.

We buy extra resources, for learning and play,  
To enrich and enhance our children's school day.

Who wants to join our school PTA?

What do you do? You gingerly say,

Well, we run termly discos, the Red Tractor Run, Summer Fete.

Cake sales, Easter events, we've a lot on our plate!

We serve teas and coffees at most school events,

On baking cakes and biscuits much time is spent.

Christmas Party Day, is for us the best bit,

Serving dinner for children, inviting Santa to visit.

Who wants to join our school PTA?

Is it all mothers' meetings? You nervously say.

It's true that we chatter at the school gate,

Lots of business gets sorted around half past eight

But we really are a very mixed bunch,

Business people, professionals, and ladies that lunch

You don't have to be female to be part of our club...

So, who wants to join our School PTA?

I've heard it's quite cliquey, as a last ditch you say.

No, not in the slightest, we welcome everyone,

There's a lovely team spirit, its hard work but fun.

Between staff and parents, we strengthen the link.

Are you interested? Will you join us? What do you think?

If you're convinced or just curious about what we do each year

Come along to the meetings, there's more to see and hear

### **Save the Date - School Disco**

The PTA are organising a children's disco that will take place on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018 at Grassington Town Hall, 18.30 – 20.00pm. We are also pleased to announce that the event is kindly being sponsored by Midgely Motor Cars. Please do come and support us at what promises to be a fun evening for the kids as well as an opportunity for parents to get together too. Further details

coming soon.....

## **This Week's Award Winners**

This week's award winners are:

### Class 3

#### **Certificates**

Blake and Nancy – for their explanation in addition problem solving

Phoebe – for her amazing war horse poem

### Class 1

#### **Certificates**

Tallulah – for helping a friend use the laptop

Ellie – for sharing her wonderful ideas in her poem

Charlie – is Mathematician of the Week for using the 100 line to order numbers

### Class 2

#### **Certificates**

Maia – for inventing imaginative frontal adverbials

Tiler – is Mathematician of the Week for subtracting 4-digit numbers with exchanges