

Gilberdyke Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 22nd September 2023



Dear Families,

It's that time of year already!!! When the bugs and illnesses start to hit our school community. We wanted to take this opportunity to send out an update on our school's policy, based on the latest guidance available:

- If your child is too unwell to attend school, please contact the school before 9am by calling 01430 440668. If you do not contact the school we will try to reach you via the phone or a home visit.
- If your child has a minor ailment such as a cough or cold, but they are well enough to attend school, please do send them. If your child has a fever, please do not send them until the fever has gone.
- If your child is displaying symptoms of a respiratory infection such as Covid, there is no need to test your child. If your child is well enough for school and they do not have a fever, pupils can attend school as normal.
- As usual any pupils who experience vomiting or diarrhoea should refrain from attending school for 48 hours after the last episode.

Curriculum Workshops for Parents

We are very conscious of giving parents and carers the opportunity to come in to school to see learning in action! By doing this it will give parents and carers an insight into what and how your child learns the vast range of subjects we teach on a daily basis.

Art & Design At Gilberdyke

Starting on Tuesday 17th October with a phonics and early reading workshop for parents where you will be given the chance to learn about the approach and then see your child take part in a phonics lesson, we will continue to host a curriculum workshop for parents every half term. On Tuesday 14th November the focus for the workshop, to be held in the afternoon, will be Art & Design.



Come In & See our Art & Design Curriculum

PTFA News

Coming Up...

- AGM (Annual General Meeting) - is to be held at the school in Thursday 5th October 2022 - All are welcome – Time TBC – see Facebook page
- From Saturday 14th October – Halloween Trail Around the Village – maps available from school and from Scalby Grange - £1 per entry - completed forms to be returned to school or Scalby Grange – each one will be entered into prize draw to win an autumnal hamper





• Halloween Discos - Thursday 26th October

- Foundation stage – during the afternoon (bring clothes/costume in a bag to change into)
- 4.15-5.15pm - Y1, 2, 3 – Finches, Kingfishers & Falcons
- 5.30-6.30pm – Y4, 5, 6 – Kestrels, Ospreys & Eagles

More Information can be found on our social media platforms:

Facebook Page: Gilberdyke Primary School PTFA

Twitter Page: @PTFA_Gilberdyke

Email address: gilberdykeprimarypta@gmail.com

Telephone: 01430 440668

MacMillan Coffee Event



As respectful and considerate community, it has been a unanimous decision that we support MacMillan as our chosen charity for this term.

We will once again host our extremely popular McMillan coffee event planned for Friday 6th October.

Please invite your wider families to come along and support this event too.

We are a school at the heart of this village community and would welcome any friends, neighbours and wider families' members to come along.

A separate letter will follow with timings included as well as details about donations which we kindly ask families to provide in support of the charity, making this community event so worthwhile.

Open Evening for New Starters

On Monday 16th October from 5pm we will be hosting an Open Evening for new families who have children aged between 3 and 4 – those who will be starting foundation stage either part-time or full-time any time from now.

If you have neighbours in your street who are not familiar with our school, please share this date and ask them to contact the school for more information or see social media.



Year Six Residential

We will once again be taking our year six pupils to Kingswood, Dearne Valley at the start of the spring term for their residential visit, marking the start of their 'journey' and progression on to secondary education.

Following the success of our visits over the last two years and the financial difference this made to the cost per pupil, we will be going again in February with this cohort of year six.



It is thanks to the fantastic work of our PTFA that the visit can be subsidised with a substantial donation, bringing the cost down further for families and we thank you for supporting our events and enabling these funds to be utilised for such important school events.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to myself or a member of staff who is available at the start/end of the day or arrange a phone call with your child's class teacher.

Take care,

Melissa Shirley