



Friday 16<sup>th</sup>  
January 2026  
Newsletter



Ghyll Royd School  
and Pre-School  
A foundation for life

## Headteacher's Message

### Happy New Year to our school community.

As we head into the new term, there is much to look forward to. Cross country season is just around the corner, offering our pupils a fantastic opportunity to challenge themselves and show real determination and teamwork. We are also delighted to be welcoming ex-Lioness Jess Clark, whose visit will undoubtedly inspire our pupils both on and off the field.

Alongside this, we have a range of exciting events and opportunities planned, which will be announced in good time. It promises to be a busy and rewarding period for our whole school community. **Hadley**

## Headteacher's Commendations

### Week commencing: 12.01.26

**Reception:** Laurie S, who tries so hard in all that he does and has made a great start to the new term.

**F1:** Edward D's reading is just amazing. He has worked really hard to make sure he is reading words he knows but also use his phonics with trickier words. He is remembering and answering questions about his books so well. Great job Edward!

**F2:** Max T, for his creativity not only using his imagination to create a fantastical excuse for our writing in English but going the extra mile in Art showcasing his talents to create a wonderful piece of artwork in his own time of a highland cow using oil pastels.

**F3/4:** George M, for a fantastic start to the New Year, using skills taught previously to enable him to access new work in Mathematics, well done you!

**F5:** not awarded this week.

**F6:** Zac T, for being a wonderful friend to his classmates and displaying energy and enthusiasm in lessons. Well done!



## Exciting News! Recommend a Family and Receive £250!

We're delighted to announce the launch of our Recommend a Family Scheme!

Do you know a family who would love to join our wonderful school community? If you recommend them and their child joins our school, you'll receive £250 as a thank you once the new pupil has completed one full term with us.

It's our way of saying thank you for helping our school grow with families who share our values and enthusiasm for learning.

### How it works:

Tell your friends and family about our school and all the great things happening here.

If they decide to enrol their child, make sure they mention your name when applying.

Once their child has attended for a full term, you'll receive your £250 reward!

We truly value the support of our school community and look forward to welcoming more wonderful families to our school.

For more information or to make a recommendation, please contact the school office.

**Join Ghyll Royd's Alumni**

We're currently putting together a list of Ghyll Royd alumni and their families, and we'd love your help! If you're a current parent and would like to add any alumni names to our growing list, just let us know, we'd be thrilled to include them.

### SAFETY REMINDERS

#### Pick-Up & Drop-Off

- Use designated pick-up and drop-off areas only.

#### Parking

- Please consider safety when reverse parking and ensure visibility is clear and children are kept safe around moving vehicles.

#### Speed Limit

- Maximum speed: 5 mph at all times within the site.
- Please drive slowly

#### Entrance & Exit

- The bottom entrance is drive-in only.

#### Dogs on Site

- No dogs are permitted on site, including during pick-up and drop-off.

## SCHOOL SAFETY ZONE



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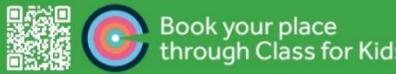
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# HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMP

FOR PRIMARY AGED CHILDREN



Book your place through Class for Kids

Email: [information@ghyllroyschool.co.uk](mailto:information@ghyllroyschool.co.uk)



BOOK NOW!

## Our first Holiday Sports Camp of 2026 is now LIVE for bookings!

Join us this February Half Term for a week packed with energy, fun, and loads of activities your children will love! (Monday 16th to Friday 20th February)

Here's what we've got lined up:

- 🏀 **Multi-sports Monday** – Try as many sports as we can fit into one day!
- 🎮 **Choose-It Tuesday** – YOU take charge... pick the activities and games all day long!
- 🤠 **Wild West Wednesday** – Nerf gun target practice and Battle Royale!
- 🚩 **Themed Thursday** – Dress as your favourite sportsperson or wear your team colours!
- 🎉 **Fun Friday** – Challenges, bouncy castle, trophies... many say it's their favourite day of camp!
- ⭐ **Every day includes Special Mention Certificates and Star of the Day Medals.**
- 🏆 **And on Friday...** one superstar will take home the Star of the Week Trophy. Could it be you?

[Book now – spaces are limited!](#)

We can't wait to see you there!

### JANUARY 2026

**Sat 17:** Wharfedale League Cross Country (KS2 only)

– Addingham, 9:00am

**Mon 19:** Reception swimming

**Wed 21:** Reception Lunch with Parents @ 12:00

**Thu 22:** Swimming for Forms 1–6; U11 Cross Country at Giggleswick

**Fri 23:** Celebration Assembly @ 8:50am; U11 Football @ Home

**Mon 26:** Reception swimming

**Tue 27:** ISA Cross Country; U9 Football @ Home

**Wed 28:** KS1 Trip – Fireground, Oldham

**Thu 29:** Swimming for Forms 1–6

**Fri 30:** Celebration Assembly @ 8:50am; U11 ISA 5-a-side Football (Trafford); U14 Cross Country @ WGS

**Sat 31:** Wharfedale League Cross Country: Ashlands School

### FEBRUARY 2026

**Mon 2:** Reception swimming

**Fri 6:** House Assembly & 'Just For You' Post-Box opens; Gideons visit

**Sat 7:** Wharfedale League Cross Country: Ghyll Royd (save the date)

**Mon 9:** Reception swimming

**Tues 10:** Chinese New Year – Year of the Fire Horse

**Weds 11:** Form 1 lunch with parents @12:00; Activkidsuk Athlete Visit

**Thurs 12:** Swimming for Forms 1–6

**Mon 16-Fri 20:** GHYLL ROYD HOLIDAY CLUB

**Fri 13:** Celebration Assembly @ 8.50am; Form 5, 6 Young Voices Manchester; 'Just for You' mail delivery

## ✿ Parent Volunteers Needed! ✿

It's Ghyll Royd School's turn to host **Wharfedale Cross Country on Saturday 7th February**, and we'd love a few extra helping hands!

We're looking for parent volunteers to help **serve bacon butties and refreshments** throughout the morning. If you're able to spare some time and support the event, we'd be hugely grateful.

**Please get in touch if you can help!**

