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CONISTON COLD

July 2025

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St Andrew's church is aware that people from marginalised groups have experienced discrimination in churches for reasons of race, gender or sexuality. To counter this the Parochial Church Council has agreed the following:

"St Andrew's offers everyone a warm and open welcome where all are included; a place of belonging and connection."

COLLARED!

Revd Andrew Steer

Encouragement

We live in an age of criticism. It has to be said. Criticism has become the norm. Take a look at social media – anyone familiar with it will know the vitriol that spews forth on a daily basis from seemingly innocent posts. If you're on a local Facebook group, you will be familiar with the number of keyboard warriors even in this village.

We are in the middle of a crisis. Is it any wonder that people are struggling massively with mental health, with self-worth, with confidence in their own ability just to cope with life? Life in the 21st Century is tough. We might have all the mod cons, the nice houses, the cushy pensions, the good things in life, but we live in a very difficult culture.

Well, this week, the church celebrated the feast of St Barnabas – the encourager! Boy, does our Christian faith have such a lot to speak into today's world. In a world of negativity, doom, hopelessness and endless criticism, Christianity is counter-cultural, because our God gives a different message.

Throughout the Bible God speaks a message of encouragement to His people. The Hebrew word suggests 'be, grow, or make strong; prevail, have or show courage.' It can also mean 'to support, sustain, help,' or 'let grow strong, to strengthen.'

A quick search shows 60 instances of the word 'encourage' in the Bible. Throughout the Bible God chooses ordinary people to nurture and encourage. Moses had a speech impediment and argues with God about his suitability for his mission. God chose him to lead Israel out of Egyptian slavery. Joshua must have been a quivering wreck…look at the story of Joshua in book of Joshua. In Chapter 1, God says to Joshua FOUR TIMES "BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS". Now if Joshua had been strong and courageous, God wouldn't have had to say anything.

Let me ask you a question. When was the last time someone encouraged you? I don't mean someone said 'I like your hair, or that cake was nice, or nice shoes!' When was the last time someone took you to one side and said "can I just say, I think you are doing an incredible job at……"

The other side of the coin is, when did you last receive a word of encouragement, without brushing it off? How do we react when someone encourages us? "oh, that's nice, but they are just saying that, they didn't really mean it". Well, what if they did? What if that person really wanted you to know a wonderful truth about yourself? What if God was saying those words?

As we all struggle through life, whether of faith or none, perhaps we can all make this world a better place by encouraging one another.

DIARY FOR JULY

Coniston Cold

Church Services – St Peter's, Coniston Cold

6 July – Sunday: Compline Evensong, 4pm

13 July – Sunday: Prayer Book Communion, 9.30am

20 July – Sunday. Compline Evensong. 4pm

27 July – Sunday: Prayer Book Communion, 9.30am

Gargrave

Church Services and Events – St Andrew's, Gargrave

Daily – Share a Prayer, 9am.

6 July – Sunday: BCP Holy Communion 8am, Breakfast 10:30am followed by 11am Family Service.

13 July– Sunday: Matins 8am, Sung Eucharist 11am.

20 July – Sunday: BCP Holy Communion 8am, Guest Speaker on Christians Against Poverty, 11am.

27 July - Sunday: BCP Holy Communion, 8am, Family Communion 11am.

Repeating Events

Every Monday: Coffee Mondays, St Andrew's,10:30am-12pm

First and third Monday of each month: Model Railway and Transport meeting, Village Hall Annexe, 7pm

Every Tuesday: Craft and Chat, St Andrew's, 2pm

Every Tuesday: Let's Sing, St Andrew's 12:30-2pm

Every Tuesday and Thursday during winter: Indoor bowling has ended for the season and will resume in October 2025, Village Hall, 2-4pm

Second Wednesday of each month: Gargrave 2022 Group, ladies welcome, £4 per person, Village Hall, 7pm

Every Friday: Coffee Morning, Neville Crescent Community Centre, 10am-noon

July's Events

2 July - Wednesday: Parish Council meeting. Village Hall Annexe, 7:15pm.

4 July - Friday: Voices of Craven concert, St Michael's Kirkby Malham, 7pm. Details on p. 9.

6 July - Sunday: Duck Race. Details on p. 6.

10 July - Thursday through Sunday 13 July: Gargrave Art Exhibition. Details on p. 6.

17 July – Thursday: Accessible Walk around Aysgarth Falls. Details on p. 7.

20 July - Sunday: Collectable and Craft Fair. 9:30am to 3:30pm, Village Hall. Food available until 3pm. 50p admission.

25 July - Friday: Picnic Supper Dance with live music for modern sequence dancing from Denis Westmorland. £6 admission. Village Hall, 7:30-11pm.

26 July – Saturday: Film Night at Kirkby Malham Parish Hall, 7pm. Details on p. 8.

27 July – Sheep dog trials at Holme House Farm, 9am. Details on p. 7.

EVENTS

Share a prayer with St Andrew's Church

Peter Poulter



Each morning at 9:00 a small group of people meet in St Andrew's to pray for the church and the village. You are welcome to join them. Either come along to church, or maybe just pause for a moment, wherever you are, and share a prayer. This picture by the French artist Jean-François Millet shows a couple stopping their field work to pray when they hear the Angelus bell from the distant church.

If prayer is not a word you use, then just pause and reflect in your own way hopefully and lovingly for the life we share in our community. Each month our prayer will focus on a particular part of the parish. In July we will be praying for those who live in the Neville Road and Crescent and Higherlands Close area including Gargrave School.

Duck Race

The annual Duck Race, organized by the Gargrave Events Committee, will be held on Sunday 6th July on the Middle Green in Gargrave from noon to 4pm. Ducks will be launched at 3pm, tickets are £2.50 each. In addition to the duck race, the event will include games, a dog show, ponies, inflatables, food and drink. For tickets and more information, email gargraveeventscommittee@yahoo.com.

Gargrave Art Exhibition Ready to Go!

Sarah Kirk



At time of writing the entries are pouring in and we expect to have a full complement of artworks for everyone to enjoy. In the last two years that has meant we have nearly 300 art works to display in the main exhibition hall and side rooms, never mind the match room full of fantastic artwork from our youngest participants and our most mature cohort from Milton House Nursing and Residential Home.

In the Main Exhibition, artists can enter up to three paintings each and we guarantee to hang at least two as we open. During the course of the exhibition as artworks are sold, the curation team take the opportunity to hang all the other paintings that have been entered, last year numbering around 100, making the show well worth at least a couple of visits. And, of course, another visit is a great excuse to have a slice of that other cake you had your eye on last time…

This year in addition to their delicious bakes, the Gargrave 2022 Group will be offering home-made soup and Patsy's delicious quiches at lunchtime. There will be musical delights from Susie Watkiss, Pru Hird and Andrew Linden.

A feast for the eyes, ears and tums - an event not be missed. See you there!

ART EXHIBITION OPENING TIMES

10 July through 12 July, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday: 10am - 7pm
13 July, Sunday: 10am – 4:30pm

Gargrave Village Hall, West Street, Gargrave, BD23 3PT

Follow us on Instagram, www.gargraveart.uk, exhibition@gargraveart.uk, 07971 162901

Friends of the Dales Outdoor Event

Accessible Walk around Aysgarth Falls – Thursday 17th July

Jonathan Smith of Where2Walk and Yorkshire Dales disability access charity Access the Dales will lead a 4-mile circular walk exploring a short stretch of the River Ure and its waterfalls. This leisurely paced, stile free route is suitable for most electric wheelchairs as well as being suitable for those who want to walk over less arduous terrain with time to chat and socialise. Two Tramper wheelchairs are available to hire from the Yorkshire Dales National Park Centre at Aysgarth Falls.

For more details or to book your place/s click visit:
www.friendsofthedales.org.uk/events

GARGRAVE AGRICULTURAL & HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

SHEEP DOG TRIALS

Sponsors: CCM Auctions, Skipton and Cobbydog, Keighley

SUNDAY, 27th JULY 2025 - 9.00 a.m. Start

Judge: Mr Arthur Temple, Holbrook, Cumbria

FREE ENTRY FOR SPECTATORS

RAFFLE - HOMEMADE REFRESHMENTS

At an idyllic canal side field near the Lock at

HOLME HOUSE FARM, GARGRAVE, SKIPTON BD23 3PR

By kind permission of the Beckwith Family

For further information, please contact the Chief Steward:
John Beckwith – 07931-118571

Entry Fee: £5 **Tyke Trophy to the winner and prize money to 6th place**
The Late James Dewhirst plaque for Best Handler & dog run before 12 noon

Entries taken on the day - LIMITED TO 50 DOGS – so come early

Kirkby Malham Parish Hall

Caroline Rosier

Saturday Film Night

26th July at 7pm, featuring the film 'Mr. Burton,' starring Toby Jones and Lesley Manville (the story of Richard Burton's early life).

Tickets £8, including pie and pea supper. All diets catered for, just let us know.

Contact: kmphevents@gmail.com or Caroline on 07815 100353



Gargrave Show – 16th August



Mark your calendars for the annual Gargrave Show, sponsored by the Gargrave Agriculture and Horticultural Society Ltd., to be held on Saturday 16th August.

Schedules are available from businesses in the village or can be downloaded from https://gargraveshow.org.uk/.

Entry forms are in the schedule, and entries will close on 2nd August.

Our Annual Village Sudan Appeal - A Thank You!

A big thank you to everyone for their generous support. You raised a total £630 to help the forgotten children of Sudan. This adds to £50,000 in food aid already provided by the Leeds Diocese.

As well as responding to the world's biggest humanitarian crisis it was great to see the community come together for a coffee and chat, not to mention the delicious cakes! Even a small event like this needs a team of church volunteers, so a special thank you to their bakers, servers and the people who set up and cleared up. We look forward to seeing you all again next year!

For those who enquired about regular donations to Sudan, go to: https://www.leeds.anglican.org/sudan

Voices of Craven

Friday 4th July at 7pm

'The summer draweth near'

Voices of Craven invite you to join them on a musical journey through songs from madrigals and jazz, via classics and a contemporary song or two in a stunning summer programme put together by their new Music Director, Elaine Dave; Tickets £13 on the door



Refreshments available at the interval

St Michael's Kirkby Malham BD23 4BS

The programme includes much loved favourites such as John Rutter's 'The Lord Bless You and Keep You' and 'The Cuckoo', 'The Rose', songs from West Side Story, and a beautiful choral setting of 'Fix You' by Coldplay. Classical pieces include an evening hymn by Thomas Tallis (Glory be to Thee), and Ave Verum Corpus by Mozart. There will also be some light-hearted pieces such as 'Chatanooga Choo Choo.'

Accompanist: Will Campbell, Assistant Director of Music, Bradford Cathedral

Featuring the male voice ensemble 'Libertas'

VOICES OF CRAVEN

Further details: voicesofcraven.org

Venue: kirkbymalhamchurch.org

Enquiries: voicesofcraven2024@gmail.com



ARE YOU THE FAIREST OF THEM ALL?

JOIN US!

All are welcome!

Anyone interested in dancing, singing, acting, chorus, costumes, props, backstage, & sound

We are also looking for new committee members



Sign Up

Thursday 4th September

6.30pm for ensemble children* - 7pm for principals

Gargrave Village Hall

***Must be at least school Year 2**

NEWS

Library News

David Smith

Summer Reading Challenge

Grow Your Imagination with the Story Garden Summer Reading Challenge!

Children can once again sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge at Gargrave and Malhamdale Community Library during the holidays. This year the theme is Story Garden which celebrates the great outdoors and the power of imagination.

The challenge for children is to read 6 library books of their choice and collect special stickers and other prizes along the way – everyone who finishes will receive a limited-edition Story Garden medal and a certificate. Any child aged 4 to 11 can join in and the challenge runs from Saturday 12 July until Saturday 13 September.

There will also be a fantastic programme of activities in across all Craven libraries throughout the summer, many of them free, to tie-in with the challenge – families can find out what's happening locally by contacting the library, on the library Facebook page and on the webpage: www.northyorks.gov.uk/src

At Gargrave, we're teaming up with Yorkshire Dales National Park for an outdoor event on Thursday 7 August 10 am - 12 noon celebrating the amazing books from this year's Story Garden recommended reads. Come along as a family to combine the joy of reading and the great outdoors and get one step closer to completing your Summer Reading Challenge.

Settle Stories

As part of the 'Yorkshire Festival of Story' (3rd-9th November) Settle Stories are launching a Children's Story Competition for aspiring writers aged 7-11 years old. The theme of the story up to 500 words is 'An act of Courage'

For further information and entry form visit: settlestories.org.uk.

100 Club Draw

A quick plug for the 100 Club which is a vital source of funds for the Library. There are still a few numbers available at a cost of £2.50 a month with a monthly prize draw of £50, £20 and £10 and a bumper draw at Christmas when the prizes are doubled. Application forms are available in the Library or on the Library website, www.gargravelibrary.co.uk

A reminder to current members to please let us know if you change your postal address or other contact details to ensure we deliver any prizes to the correct address.

Farming on Scaleber Hil

John Hall

One of the stalwarts of the local vets, Jonathan Stockton, recently announced his retirement. Jonathan has been a vet with the Skipton practice for over 40 years and will be much missed by the local farming community. In a livestock production area like Craven, it is essential to have access to good veterinary care and advice. On call 24 hours a day, a vet's job can very demanding, especially in lambing and calving periods, not dissimilar to livestock farming. The number attending Jonathan's retirement bash showed the respect and appreciation of 40 years' service. We wish Jonathan a happy retirement.

On the farm, 8 weeks of sunshine was unbelievable and led to the best lambing time I can remember. As previously mentioned the lack of rain, although lovely, was beginning to impact on the grass growth which lead to keeping the cattle housed for 3 weeks longer than last year. Fortunately, the rains came just in time and the fields are now responding at full speed. As I write we have just turned the last cattle out for Summer. It is always a delight to see them kicking their heels with joy as they go and look forward to seeing them basking contentedly in the sunshine.

With the sheds now empty of stock, the next few months will provide the opportunity for any maintenance works to be carried out. They will also be cleansed and disinfected ready for the start of the next regime of new calves in the Summer. This time of year is always catch-up time both outside and inside with office work.

The established hedges have been much used by the nesting birds. However, the new hedge planted in the Spring has needed some extra TLC. Brian & Lisa have spent hours watering the new plants and I am pleased to say it has paid off with very few failed. Any which did unfortunately fail will be replaced in the Autumn. With the recent rain the plants are now greening up well.

With the grass growing, the sun shining and the birds singing, June is a wonderful time of the year.

Articles continue after the Advertising Section…

A Meditation for July

McLaren & Bessey

Brian McLaren and Sarah Bessey describe how doubt is an essential ingredient in the evolution of faith, from "orthodoxy" or right belief to "orthopraxy" or a right way of living.

An Evolving Faith

In my mind, one of the key markers of an evolving faith is the ability to integrate doubt. Before doubt, I thought that faith was a matter of correct beliefs. Doubt chipped away at those beliefs, one blow at a time, revealing that what actually mattered wasn't beliefs but the clear window of faith, faith was a life orientation, faith as a framework of values and spirituality, faith as a commitment to live into a deep vision of what life can be, faith as a way of life, faith expressing itself as love.

What mattered most was not that I believed the Bible stories in a factual sense, but that I BELIEVED IN the meaning they carried so I could act upon that meaning and embody it in my life, to let that meaning breathe in me, fill me. Whether I considered the stories factually accurate was never the point; what mattered all along was whether I lived a life pregnant with the meaning those stories contained. To my surprise when I was given permission to doubt the factuality of my beliefs, I discovered their actual life-giving purpose.

Doubt should not be the death of faith. It should, instead, give birth to a new kind of faith, a faith beyond beliefs, a faith that expresses itself in love, a deepening and expanding faith that can help change the world we live in!

Acknowledgement: Adapted from 'Faith After Doubt: Why Your Beliefs Stop Working and What to Do About it.' by Brian McLaren, 2021.

To me, an evolving faith has proven to be about the questions, the curiosity, and the on-going reckoning of a robust, honest faith. An evolving faith brings the new ideas and ancient paths together. For me, this has proved to be deeply centred in the Good News of Jesus. It is sacramental, ecumenical, embodied, generous, spirit-filled, truthful and rooted in the unending love of God. An evolving faith is a resilient and stubborn form of faithfulness that is well acquainted with the presence of God in the loneliest places and deepest questions.

I was particularly influenced by the words of encouragement I received from my father as I moved through periods of disorder and deconstruction. In response to my very real and legitimate fears of where my wilderness wanderings and questionings would lead me, he told me something along the lines of this: "I'm not afraid for you. If you are honestly seeking God, I believe you will find what you are

looking for, even if it looks different to what I have found." Those words were like the lifting of an enormous burden that wasn't mine to carry anyway. It was permission to grow and evolve, and it was love.

Acknowledgement: Adapted from 'Field Notes for the Wilderness: Practices for an Evolving Faith' by Sarah Bessey, 2024.

News from the Village Hall

Caroline Thompson

How good to be one step ahead instead of one step back or to be one step in front instead of one behind. I seem to be the latter in both or certainly when it comes to sending in my News to the Magazine on time. Perhaps it's a good idea to take note of that often-used comment on a school report – must try harder!

The Management Committee at the Village Hall meets monthly and these meetings like the deadline for publication in the Parish Magazine seem to come round more quickly each month. Fortunately, we take a little break in summer and miss one meeting so we did not meet in June. However, we were still busy as a site meeting was arranged with a local roofer to talk in detail about the proposed improvements to the Village Hall roof. This work needs to be undertaken before the installation of solar panels which will be the next step forward in both our improvements to the property and our aim to become more energy efficient. Hopefully the roofing element of the work will be undertaken before the Autumn.

Five more original dance posters from the fifties and sixties have been framed and these will take pride of place in the newly decorated area near the kitchen. The ones which have been in the main Hall for several years receive so many favourable comments from people and they are amazed to find out they are the original posters rather than copies. It is a great way of preserving part of the Hall's history for our future generations. The posters were kindly donated by Denis French and latterly by his family.

Last month we felt very sad when we lost two of our regular coffee morning attendees within a short space of time. We send all our sympathies to the family and friends of both John and Carys. We could usually set our watches for the time they would both arrive, they were both great characters in the same circle of friends and we will miss them very much. Carys had a wicked sense of humour and John loved a bacon sandwich and a chat about sport.

We get fewer gentlemen attending our Coffee mornings than we do ladies and with that thought I did wonder if there may be a call for a social morning when gentlemen could meet up, maybe to escape household chores, the dreaded shopping run or simply have some male company. This is just a thought and hasn`t been aired at a

Management meeting yet, it's just taking a step ahead for once! My thoughts in these early stages would be to use one of our smaller meeting rooms where a hot drink and biscuits would be served, we could provide dominoes and cards, possibly a couple of newspapers, perhaps arrange book and jigsaw swops. Whichever meeting room would be used would be a warm space and if the plan did get off the ground, these gatherings would probably commence in the Autumn. A small charge would be made to cover the cost of the refreshments. The morning might initially be arranged once a month but if it proved popular then fortnightly or even weekly. Hopefully more details in the August or September Magazine or keep an eye on our Village Hall Noticeboard.

We do hope everyone enjoyed our Coffee morning last month and the opportunity to purchase some works of Art from the late Bob Kirkbride. If you were unable to attend and are interested to know if any pictures remain, please do get in touch by calling 07989 585564 or email caroline@sandjsthompson.co.uk

Gargrave Church of England (VC) Primary School

Sarah Peel

LOVE, PEACE, HOPE

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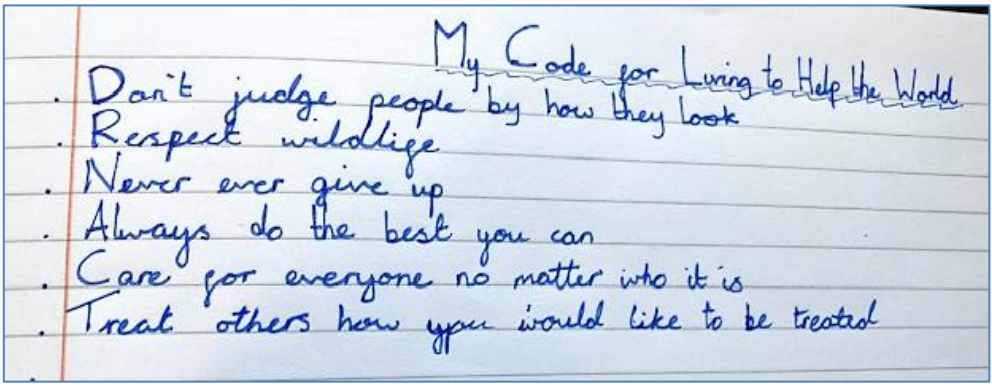
Writing is our curriculum focus for this year and the pupils are certainly being creative. Each week we share a pupil's work for each class and display it for everyone to read. Here are last week's contributions:

Amber- year 5- RE writing- My Code for Living to Help the World.



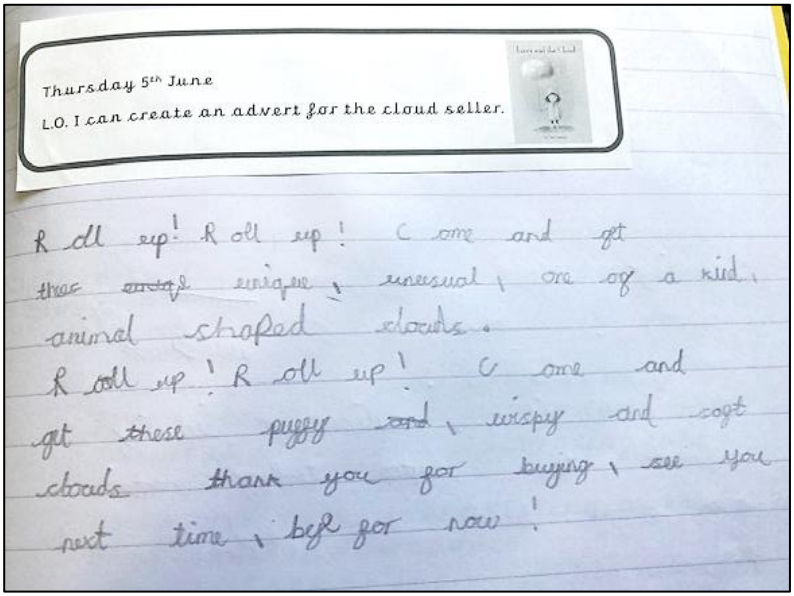
Ted- year 4- English- Making our own sport.

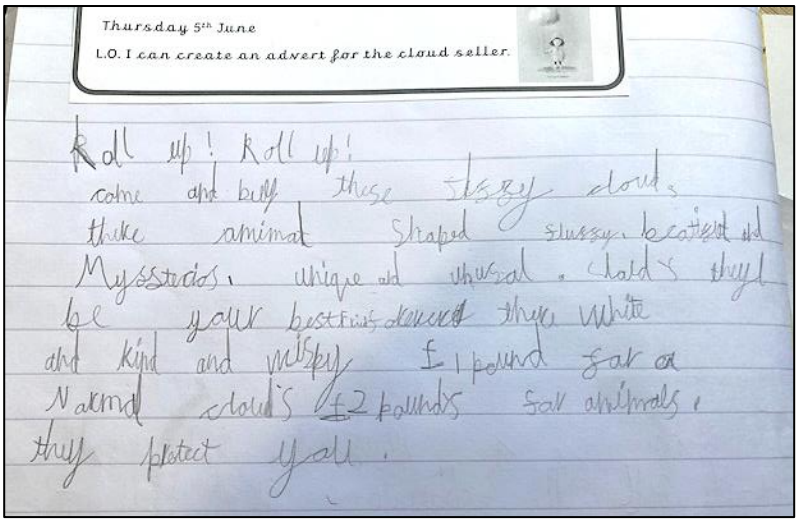
In English we have been reading 'Weslandia' by Paul Fleichman so we decided to make the structure of our own civilisations.

Ted: Basketing is the national sport of Tedford. It is a boxing style game. To get a point you have to knock the other person into a basket at the side of the ring, if you hit them into the basket you get 3 points but if you throw them into the basket you only get 1 point. You are not allowed to resist falling into the basket. The ring is 5 m long and 5m wide. At the end of the captivating hour-long game (split into four 15-minute segments) the ref will check the points and whoever has the most points wins. You can only wear shorts, a t shirt and approved basketing gloves.

Year 2 Henry and Sienna- Advert to sell clouds!

In English we are using a book called Lizzy and the Cloud by The Fan Brothers and it certainly has captured their imagination:

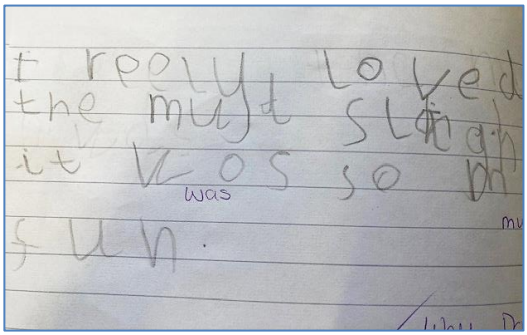




<u>EYFS Eleanor wrote about their recent trip to Wild Explorers in Broughton.</u>

The whole class had so much fun in the mud and learning about the outdoors. A photo of the class is on the back cover.

I really loved the mud slide it was so much fun.





St. Andrew's Family Worship Review, 1st June 2025

Peter Gardner

At our planning meeting for this service, we had fixed on the theme of 'Expectancy.' I don't think I've ever been in a church service with that theme before, so – hey ho - I didn't really know what to expect. Anyway, what was served up turned out to be right on the ball. We had appropriate songs from our depleted worship group (holidays and grandma duties) and a reading from the book of Acts about the disciples waiting expectantly for something dramatic to happen. It did, tongues of fire appeared on their heads and they tumbled out of an upper room onto the street and started speaking to the crowd in languages they hadn't learned. Pretty cool, eh!

Unfortunately that didn't happen at St Andrew's that morning - there probably weren't any crowds outside - so we went on to another reading from the book of Acts. This time it was about the Christians having a prayer meeting and asking God to free the Apostle Peter who King Herod had put in prison. This was beautifully acted out (hammed up) by four of our number.

The Christians prayed for Peter's release. I'd like to say with expectancy, but it seems from the biblical account, more in hope than anything else. Nevertheless, an angel appeared in the prison, woke Peter up and led him out past the guards onto the street. Peter then made his way to the house where the Christians were praying. He knocked on the door but the girl who answered it was so amazed it was Peter, that she ran back to tell the others without opening the door. They concluded she must be mad!

Peter kept knocking and was eventually let in. When they saw him they were absolutely astonished. God had actually answered their prayers!

Well, our preacher followed on from this with more modern stories of God answering prayers. She told how God had opened doors in unexpected ways for her so she could become a Methodist minister and eventually this led to her working in Nigeria. She also mentioned the unusual way in which God had answered the prayers of an elderly church congregation in Bedfordshire. Their church desperately needed a new roof and in spite of all their fundraising efforts they couldn't afford one. What happened? Well, a tornado ripped the roof off the church and the insurance company paid for a new one!

The point is, God does answer our prayers, but sometimes not in the way we expect. The bible tells us that God has good plans for our life and in line with that, if we pray in faith and expectancy, the answer may come in a most unexpected way, whether it be via an angelic intervention or even the roof blowing off. God is able to sort these things to further his good plans for our life. So - we need to pray with an

expectation that He will answer, but it won't necessarily be in the way we might think.

Then we then had a time of silence - whilst waiting expectantly - followed by a time of prayer and ending in a reflection on the Lord's prayer. We finally finished with a blessing from our chief blesser, Vicar Andrew, and then adjourned to the side of the church for tea, coffee and biscuits.

Gargrave Parish Council

Gregory L Butt MBE, Chair

Constructing the Traveller Gypsy Roma (TGR) Plan for Gargrave has been the main focus of the Parish Council (PC) over the last year.

We have seen 21 Bow tops split into six separate groups visit Gargrave across eight days during the outbound passage of TGR through Gargrave to Appleby. While this represents just the outbound journey the results indicate that the TGR Plan is working:

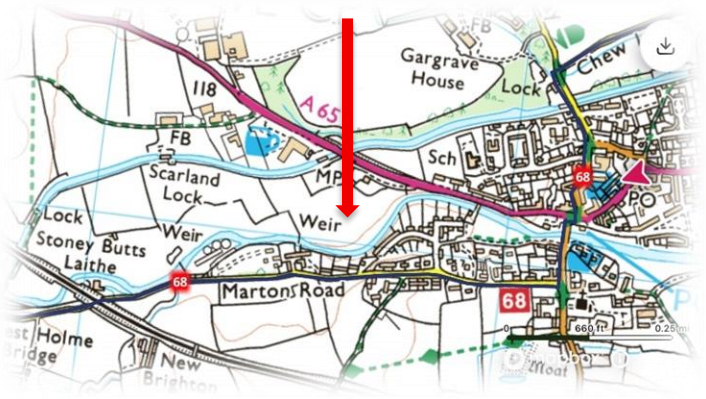
- The birds' mouth fencing and lego-style blocks protected the village greens which helped reduce numbers to manageable levels.
- TGR groups communicated with each other - as one group left another group arrived. As a result, the impact on residents and the fabric of the village was significantly less than last year.
- There has been little disruption to village life with only minor issues – some of which were perpetrated by local youths but unfortunately blamed, through social media, on TGR.
- Except for the one incursion on Damside, all TGR groups set up along Mill Lane.
- The vast majority of TGR groups arrived by Bow top with very few mechanised vehicles and no road caravans.
- Each TGR group was met, welcomed and briefed. The overwhelming majority of individuals were receptive, and it was heartening to hear some say that they appreciated our help and that they thought our measures fair.
- The PC efforts have also been positively remarked on by residents through feedback to members of the TGR WG.
- Police support was good with some officers fully engaging with TGR and others providing a reassuring presence for residents. The only slight issue was that NYP support was not exactly as promised.

We now await the return journey, which has traditionally seen fewer numbers, and the PC will remain fully engaged.

And FINALLY - our new Clerk, Jayne Dunlop, is now ‘in residence’. Jayne can be contacted on gargravepc@yahoo.com.

PC Office Hours are: Tuesdays 10am - 3pm, Wednesdays 10am – noon, Thursdays noon - 3pm.

Did you know?



Long ago, briefly, there was a golf club in Gargrave. It was established in the area known as Stoney Butts, a strip of land southwest of the A65 on the edge of the village between the river and the canal.

Established in 1893, the Craven Golf Club was not a success. The land, although picturesque, turned out to be poorly suited for golf. Furthermore, the location was not central enough within the district, and many members did not pay their subscriptions. The committee of dignitaries that had organised the golf club decided just three years later to move it to Skipton. Thus the Skipton Golf Club was formed in 1896 and continues to operate today.

There is no footpath through the former Craven Golf Club, but the site can be viewed from the towpath near Anchor Lock.

Acknowledgement: From an article by the late Dennis French, at https://www.gargrave.org.uk/golfclub.htm

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Saturday 0850 0945M 1045 1245 1430M 1445 1645 1745 1845
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Transport, continued

TRAINS: Photocopies of the timetable to/ from Leeds, Carlisle and Lancaster are available from Gargrave Library.
As of 12 June, no Engineering Works affecting Gargrave train services during July have been identified. *That may change*. *www.northernrailway.co.uk*

Gargrave Cricket Club - July matches



Come out this season and support the Gargrave Cricket Club at their grounds on Skipton Road. The cricketeers are having a good year in the Craven Cricket League, with both the 1st and 2nd senior teams enjoying winning results for 2025 thus far. The cricket ground is set in idyllic surroundings with the hill Sharp Haw overlooking the matches, it has been the home of Gargrave's cricketeers since the late 1800's. Improvements have been made this year with a scorers' hut and outdoor tables, and drinks of various sorts are available at the bar. A lovely article about the Club was recently written for Cricket Yorkshire, see https://cricketyorkshire.com/gargrave-cricket-club-2025/.

The matches to be played in July at Gargrave's cricket ground are listed below. Matches begin at 1:30pm unless otherwise noted. We hope to see you there.

5 July - Saturday: Gargrave 2nds v. Bradford & Bingley.
7 July - Monday: Gargrave1sts v. Two Counties Seniors at 1:00pm.
12 July - Saturday: Gargrave 1sts v. Silsden.
19 July - Saturday: Gargrave 2nds v. Skipton Church Institute.
26 July - Saturday: Gargrave 2nds v. Bradley.



Students from Gargrave Church of England (VC) Primary School enjoyed the mud slide at Wild Explorers in Broughton.

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