



Gorseybrigg Primary School and Nursery

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Dear Parent/Carer,

DAY OF ACTION AT GORSEYBRIGG – SATURDAY 7TH OCTOBER – PLEASE CAN YOU HELP US?

Now that term is underway and I am getting to know your school better, there are a number of things I would really like to improve for your children. It is clear that there are a number of spaces around the outside of school that have become a little unloved, that with a team effort could look wonderful again. As you know, school budgets have become tighter and tighter over the past few years, and at the current time it would not be possible to buy these services in. The areas I have identified are as follows:-

1. The "Secret Garden" near to the playground (which after today unfortunately needs new fencing too due to a tree coming down in the wind!)
2. Moss growing on many areas of the tarmac (including the playground) and up to the walls of school.
3. Hedges, shrubberies and borders needing cutting back or weeding.
4. Ivy on the front and side walls.
5. The football nets on the field and other areas where the grass has not yet been cut back – making good.
6. General sweeping of spaces, getting rid of old leaves and clearing paths.
7. Entrance from the car park and the outdoor areas in Reception/Nursery.
8. Defining of grassed areas

We already have some kind volunteers dealing with all the willow structures and the shrubbery along the front fencing. Staff would like to use many of these spaces as outdoor classrooms, so in the longer term I will also be making the front gate secure during the school day with an intercom system so that children can be outdoors when they wish. My Business Officer, Lauren Mellor is also underway liaising with the council over the proposed re-modelling of the KS1/FS classroom spaces and we plan to install a new fence for the Nursery/Reception space next to the car park to also help improve that area of school as soon as possible. I would like to thank the PTFA for their continued support in raising money to support some of these proposals.

Therefore, I am hoping that amongst you are keen gardeners, people with mowers, jet washers and other useful equipment that will help us make this day a successful one! All help at any level will be gratefully received. Children are also welcome, of course, though would need to be under the supervision of their parents. We are also aiming to provide a range of refreshments to purchase cheaply, to keep everyone's strength up! Please can you fill in the slip below to let me know what you are able to offer in terms of assistance. Even an hour or so would be fantastic!

Thank you!

Corinne Thornton
Headteacher

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Name _____ Parent of _____ Year _____

Yes I am able to help with the Day of Action! I can offer the following (please feel free to also make suggestions!)

