Knavesmire Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Thursday 24th October 2024

Mr Cooper and Mr Gardiner's

Message

Dear Parents/ Carers/ Families,

It is the end of a long, 8 week half-term that has seen plenty of brilliant learning, enrichment opportunities and fun at Knavesmire. We finished in style today with the Pumpkin Festival and we were amazed to see so many great outfits!

The final end goal of the Big Ideas have been achieved this week and we've loved celebrating the progress made. We've also been proud of our children's sporting success earlier this week, particularly in football and indoor athletics.

As ever, thank you for your hard work and support in sustaining high attendance. At the time of writing, our whole-school, statutory age (5 years old and above) attendance is 97.6% which is fantastic and comfortably above national average.

On the next slide, in case you like numbers, is a breakdown of each year group from Year 1 to 6.

We hope you have a wonderful break and look forward to seeing you in November!

Mr Gardiner

*** NEW SCHOOL EMAIL
ADDRESS ***

The school email has changed to admin@knavesmire.elt.org.uk
Please delete any other email addresses which you may hold for the school



WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEWSLETTER

We hope that the new School Newsletter format will prove helpful in better communicating information between school and home.

While ever evolving we will broadly including the following sections - please click on the links below to move directly to any section (direct links may not work on all devices):

- Whole School Information
- Trips, Activities and Performances
- Key Dates
- Governor Newsletter
- Cool Kids Club
- Year Group Messages
- Community Messages







ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Please see below for a breakdown of attendance by year group:

Percentage of attendance	Total
Year 1	97.6%
Year 2	98.0%
Year 3	97.9%
Year 4	97.6%
Year 5	97.6%
Year 6	97.7%

Percentage of pupils categorised as Persistent Absentees (below 90% attendance).	Total
Year 1	5.2%
Year 2	1.7%
Year 3	3.1%
Year 4	6.5%
Year 5	3.4%
Year 6	3.2%

Just as a reminder, the number of sessions missed, correlating numbers to percentages are clarified in the table below:

Percentage of attendance	Half-day sessions missed	Group	
99%=	4	Excellent	
97%=	12	Good	
95%=	19	School monitoring	
90%=	39	Nationally grouped as Persistent Absentees	



Events



KPS + FOKPS FUNDRAISER QUIZ...IS BACK!

Friday 15th November 7:30pm KPS School Hall

-daft games
-mix of questions
-bring your own drinks
and snacks



-teams of 6
-suggested donation of at
least £10 per team
-prizes for best name
and best table dress
(as voted for by you)

-book using the QR code + form to beat the teachers! -fundraising for educational visits



Pumpkin Festival donations are still welcome via the QR code on the right!





NUT FREE SCHOOL



For the safety and health of our school we are committed to being Nut Free

We need your help to make our school a safe place for those with food allergies.



Some examples of foods containing nuts - some are not as obvious as others...

Please do not bring any nut products Into school









TURE VALLEY

PEANUT BUTTER







FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND THE KNAVESMIRE OFFER

If your family qualifies for free school meals (aside from the universal free school meals for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) you will also qualify for The Knavesmire offer. This means, in addition to free school meals, families can be provided with:



- a school jumper <u>or</u> a school cardigan
- a school footwear voucher
- School milk
- one term free swimming travel costs
- two half-terms of free extra-curricular club participation
- free school trips
- negotiated costs for residential visits

Please come to the school office for a form so we can order your child's jumper/cardigan, shoe voucher and milk.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS ELIGIBILITY

Free School Meals are automatically applied to all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. This entitlement can be extended to children where families are in receipt of certain benefits and earnings do not exceed a threshold. These benefits include:

Universal Credit, Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Child Tax Credit (but not Working Tax Credit)

North Yorkshire County Council have launched an online portal for free school meal applications that will give you an instant decision on whether your application is successful: https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals

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OFFICE ADMIN

When communicating with the school about your child, please remember to include their full name and class.

Please note that as of September 2024 we are required to see evidence of any medical appointments. Please send any screenshots to accompany your absence email so that we can log this absence appropriately.

MENU CHANGES

Please note the kitchen will be working on a reduced menu from Monday 30/9/24 until half term. Full details will be sent out by email next week.

We will only be serving sandwiches and jacket potatoes on Mondays and Wednesdays.



SCHOOL LIBRARY

Enjoy some half term reading and we look forward to more library visitors when we get back!

Just a reminder that your child has a library session scheduled each week - please ensure that your child's library book is in school on that day to swap for a new one. If you find any library books at home which may have been 'lost' please return them to the box in the School Office.

Miss Smith



Greetings to you, the lucky finder of this Golden Ticke from Mr Willy Wonka!

CLOTHES BANK

Our fundraising and recycling clothes bank is situated at the entrance of the car park to the rear of the school. Please click on the following link to see Mrs Wogan-Wells from Y6 explain a little more about how it all works.

https://online.fundraiserecycleltd.co.uk/bank?bankld=KnavesmirePrimary-School

Please use the facility to donate any unwanted clothes.

REFUGEE APPEAL

There is a pause on donation collections for the moment, but please bear this in mind for the future if you have suitable items.

SCHOOL MILK

If you want to register your child for school milk, simply visit www.coolmilk.com/register

SAFETY ON THE PLAYGROUND

Please be reminded that the use of scooters and bikes is **not allowed on the school playground** - it is too great a risk of injury to riders and others.

Please make sure you wheel bikes and scooters off the playground before riding them.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

NITS

Please be extra vigilant in checking your child's hair. For information on how to spot & treat, please click on the NHS website. Do note that in many instances, nits look a bit like dandruff. Whilst we cannot enforce it, we recommend long hair is tied back to help prevent further spread of headlice - thank you.

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/

LOST PROPERTY

'Tis the season for discarding unnamed warm stuff. We have set up a box for lost hats, gloves and scarves in the gazebo on the playground.

Named clothing, if found, will be sent to class. Unnamed clothing will be donated or recycled if an owner can't be found.

Check the Friends of Knavesmire Facebook page to view any valuable #lostandfound items.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/14023395 9376362/permalink/6818721288194229/



Little Sips BIG ADVENTURES

Dear parent/guardian,

As you may be aware your child's school has a milk scheme, administered by Cool Milk. Midmorning milk provides a much-needed nutritional boost and keeps children hydrated between breakfast and lunch. Children receive free milk until the age of 5. After that, they can continue to reap the benefits of fresh mid-morning milk at a subsidised* cost.

If you'd like to opt in and have not already done so, simply register your child at www.coolmilk.com/register Your child(ren) will continue to receive free milk whilst under the age of 5 and Cool Milk will get in touch with further information by email shortly before their 5th birthday.

For children who are already over 5, it's not too late – our scheme is flexible! As well as being able to register and make payment straight away, you can join and cancel the scheme at any time. We offer yearly, termly and half termly payment periods and a recurring payment option to give you one less thing to remember. If you already have an online Cool Milk account for a sibling, you can manage your account, make payment and add extra children by logging in at www.coolmilk.com/parents

Should you have any questions or need any help, send us a message at www.coolmilk.com/contact or give us a call on the number listed below – we're here to help!





*Milk for under-5s is fully funded by DHSC via the Nursery Milk Scheme. Milk for over-5s is subsidised by Defra via the School Milk Scheme.



THE COFFEE CART IS BACK!

I am pleased to share the news that the Coffee Cart is back in the playground in the mornings. Mr Taylor, our Pupil Mentor, will be outside Miss Hall's classroom, located near the main gates, every morning (when it's not raining!) before school starts with the Coffee Cart. Mr Taylor will be with some amazing Year 5 students who will be ready to sell some lovely cups of tea, coffee or hot chocolate, exactly what you need to start your morning.

All money raised goes back into restocking the coffee, tea and hot chocolate and any that is left over goes back to the school to help buy essential supplies. The young people who help out gain many skills and they thoroughly enjoy the challenges it brings. Miss Gilligan, our school SENCO will help out on a Friday morning and is available for a quick chat or to answer any questions you may have.

All drinks are only £2.00 and we accept cash or card. Please note that we do not serve coffee or tea to any children at school but we do allow hot chocolate as long as the drink is finished before the start of school and not taken into any classroom.

We look forward to seeing you soon.





CLOTHES LABELS

Our school will receive 30% commission to put towards school funds from every order where the fundraising number is quoted.

Our Fundraising
Number Is: 11349



BBC Children in Need

Watch this space for fundraising events and ways to donate!

BBC Children in Need believes that every child should have the chance to thrive and be the best they can be.

For this to happen, we want every child to have someone they can turn to for help or support to overcome challenges they face...



Friday 15th November

- Someone able to give... food clothes and bags to a child without
- Someone qualified to talk... to a child who is anxious, isolated or grieving
- Someone trained... to mentor teenages in communities facing inequality, violence or lack of opportunity
- Someone to be there for children living with illness, disability or carrying a load that's just too heavy to manage alone



TRIPS, ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCES

Year 3

York Youth Orchestra Christmas Rehearsal and Concert at Millthorpe School - Please see email sent 09/10/24. The rehearsal is on Wed 11/12/24, 6:45pm to 7:30pm and the concert is on 14/12/24, 3:00 pm. The deadline has now passed to sign up your child.

Swimming - Please see the email sent 03/09/24. The voluntary contribution is live on ParentPay.

Year 4

<u>Merchant Adventurers' Hall, 03/12/24</u> - Please see email sent today (18/10/24). Please complete the item on ParentPay by **05/11/24**.

<u>Robin Hood's Bay</u> - Please see email sent today (18/10/24). The payment item is now live on ParentPay. The deposit is due by **04/11/2024.**

Year 5

<u>Carlton Lodge</u> - Please see email sent 08/10/24. The ParentPay item is now live on ParentPay. The deposit is due by **07/11/24.**

Year 6

<u>Barcelona 2025 -</u> The payment plan is live on ParentPay.

<u>Choir Members singing in St Helen's Square, 23/11/24</u> - Please see email sent 18/10/24 to Y6 choir members. The deadline has now passed to sign up your child.

School House

<u>Trip to York Buddhist Centre on 11/11/24</u> - Please see email sent 08/10/24. This trip is from 10am-11.30am and the children will return to school for normal lunchtime. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing for the weather e.g. coat if it is raining or cold...or both!

Other

<u>Parents Evening</u>, 12/11/24, 4pm to 7.30pm and 13/11/24, 3.30pm to 5.30pm - Please see email sent 27/09/24. The booking system is now open and will close on 11/11/24 at 11.55pm. Please use the link below to make an appointment:

https://parents-booking.co.uk/knavesmire

KS2 Choir at York Annual Community Carol Concert, York Barbican, Sunday 15/12/24. - Please see email sent 25/09/24. The deadline has now passed to sign up your child. Parents/carers will need to transport their child to and from the venue. Full information with plans for the day will be sent in due course.

You do not have to attend the concert as a spectator however, if you would like to, parents/carers are responsible for purchasing their own tickets and can do so at the link below:

https://www.yorkbarbican.co.uk/whats-on/york-annual-community-carol-concert-2024/

<u>Young Voices Concert, Friday 10/01/24</u> - Please see email sent 13/09/24. The deadline to sign up has now passed and we have submitted our final numbers to Young Voices. We are therefore unable to accept any late requests to attend.

Parents are responsible for ordering a T-shirt for their child (if they wish) and for ordering any spectator tickets (children ed a ticket). Please use the link below to order tickets and t-shirts.

https://yvmusicroom.com/auth/parent/register-referral?code=NDg0OS8xNzIxMTIz

CLUBS

The following clubs and music lesson are run in school by external organisations. Please contact them directly for more information or to book a place.

Organisation	Activity	Contact details
Ignite Sports	Ignite run sports clubs after school on a Monday.	You can sign up for these sessions on Ignite's website. www.ignitesportscoaching.co.uk or email: info@ignitesportscoaching.co.uk
Dance with Miss Caroline	Miss Caroline runs drama, cheerleading and street dance clubs for all school aged children on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday lunchtime and after school on a Tuesday and Wednesday.	To sign up for these sessions please follow this link https://forms.office.com/r/EcTcaRbU9c or for more info, email Miss Caroline: dancewithmisscaroline@outlook.com
Circus Skills	Circus Stu runs a circus skills club for all school aged children. This takes place on a Friday lunchtime.	To sign up please email Stu: stuart@circusskillsyorkcic.org or go to the website: www.circusskillsyorkcic.org
Rocksteady	Rocksteady are in Knavesmire on a Wednesday in school hours. Children can choose from the electric guitar, keyboard, drums or vocals.	For more information and to sign up, go to Rocksteady's website: www.rocksteadymusicschool.com
Clare's Kitchen	Clare runs sessions for all school aged children after school on a Monday. These sessions give children the opportunity to plan, prepare & cook their own nutritional meal, then dine together.	To sign up please email Clare: <u>clare@clares-kitchen.co.uk</u>
Chess Club	This club in run on Tuesday and Thursdays after school for years 1,2 and 3. The clubs are run by Larry, a parent volunteer. The club is currently full, however, Larry would love more helpers at the sessions so he can accommodate more children.	If you are interested in being a parent helper please contact Larry by email. shroud.king@gmail.com

CLUB NEWS

Dance with Miss Caroline

Miss Caroline missed out the times for her after school clubs in her recent letter. To confirm, Tuesday, Years 2-6 finish at 4.10pm and Wednesday, Reception- Year 1 finish at 4pm.

Knavesmire Chess Club - FREE

Knavesmire Chess Club is open to all levels and is FREE. If you as a parent are interested and want to volunteer/learn please let me know using the form, you will need a valid DBS from the school to attend the sessions.

Tuesday sessions will be for Years 4, 5 and 6

Tuesday will run from 3:30 to 4:15 pm. Please fill in the Google form to request a place, there is a limit on the number of spaces.

https://forms.gle/QzLnkWzypbaSMnLs5

Thursday sessions will be for Years 2 and 3

Thursday will run from 3:30 to 4:00 pm. Please fill in the Google form to request a place, there is a limit on the number of spaces.

https://forms.gle/s5EeJRfJneuobeNk6

If you cannot make any of the sessions but want to attend another club see the links below:

https://www.yorkchessclub.co.uk/ - Every Wednesday at Guppies (on Nunnery Lane)

York Explore library in town Sundays 2-3 pm during term time

Once you have completed the form I will email all parents more details.

If you have any questions please let me know by email to shroud.king@gmail.com or ask me in the playground. Ask around for Larry.

MUSIC IN SCHOOL



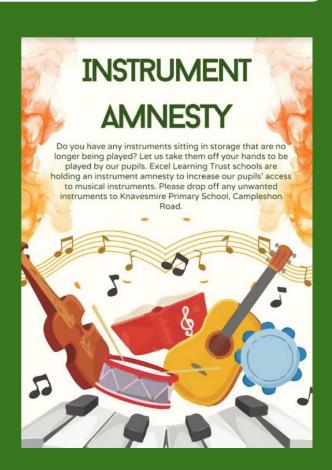
Peripatetic Music Lessons in School

The following music lesson are run in school by peripatetic teachers. Please contact them directly for more information.

Instrument	Name	Contact details
Guitar	Steve Powell	stevepowell726@gmail.com
Piano	Carolyn Amos	carolynamos@hotmail.co.uk
Drums	Alex Woolgar	alexwoolgar1@gmail.com
Singing	Alison Pawley	alisunr@yahoo.com
Violin	Marcus Bousfield	marcus.bousfield@btinternet.com
Brass	Andy Hillier	https://yorkmusiced.org.uk/index.php/what-we-do/york-music-centre/enrolment-form

MUSIC NEWS

Please check back for updates



KEY DATES



YEAR	DATE(S)	ACTIVITY	
Nursery	10/12/24	9.30am - 10.15am Christmas Songs	
Reception	12/12/24 13/12/24	2pm - 2.45pm Reception Christmas Performance 10am - 10.45am Reception Christmas Performance	
Year 1	10/12/24 11/12/24	1.45pm - 2.30pm KS1 Christmas Performance 9.45am - 10.30am KS1 Christmas Performance	
Year 2	10/12/24 11/12/24	1.45pm - 2.30pm KS1 Christmas Performance 9.45am - 10.30am KS1 Christmas Performance	
Year 3	11/12/24 14/12/24	6.45 - 7pm York Youth Orchestra Christmas Rehearsal @ Millthorpe 3pm - York Youth Orchestra Christmas Concert @ Millthorpe	
Year 4	03/12/24 02/04/25 03/04/25 03/04/25 02/06/25 - 13/06/25 13/06/25 18/06/25 - 19/06/25 19/06/25 - 20/06/25	Trip to Merchants Adventurers Hall Play performance 5:30 - 6:30 Play performance 1:30 - 2:20 Play performance 5:30 - 6:20 Multiplication Check TT Rockstar Dress Up Day Robin Hood's Bay Residential - Class tbc Robin Hood's Bay Residential - Class tbc	
Year 5	21/05/25 - 23/05/25	Carlton Lodge Residential	
Year 6	31/10/24 10/03/25 - 14/03/25	Deadline for Secondary School Applications - info <u>below</u> Barcelona Trip	
The School House	11/11/24 13/11/24	Trip to York's Buddhist Centre (Walmgate) Parents' Evening with Miss Smith & Miss Gilligan	
Other	24/10/24 12/11/24 12/11/24 13/11/24 15/11/24 23/11/24 28/11/24 13/12/24 15/12/24 16/12/24 18/12/24 19/12/24 10/01/25	Pumpkin Festival - in & after school - details here dress up/non-uniform Flu Vaccinations Y2, Y4, Y6 Parents Evening 4pm - 7.30pm Parents Evening 3.30pm - 5.30pm BBC Children In Need - info to follow ELT choir carol singing at St Helens Square 10am - Y6 choir members 3.25-3.40 KS1 Choir Carols in the playground Christmas Disco. Nursery and Reception - 3.30pm - 4pm, Years 1-3 - 4.15pm - 5pm, Years 4-6 - 5.15pm - 6pm - Booking info to follow soon. KS2 Choir, York Annual Community Carol Concert, York Barbican. 3.30 KS2 Choir Carols in the playground 2pm. Christmas Concert at St Chads - Reception, Year 2, Year 4, Year 6 2pm. Christmas Concert at St Chads - Year 1, Year 3, Year 5, Year 6 Young Voices Concert	

GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2024



I hope this message finds you well as we settle into the new school year. My name is Jon Hodgeon and I am the SEND link governor. Governors take it in turns to write our newsletter and I wanted to take a moment to share some updates and reflect on the important work that has been going on behind the scenes to support our wonderful school community.

Over the past few months, the governing body has been more active than ever, with many of us making visits to the school. These visits are an essential part of our role, allowing us to gather information, see the school in action, understand the day-to-day learning experiences of our pupils, and ensure that the school continues to offer the best possible environment for all our amazing children to thrive. Here are some of the key areas of the school's activities that we have been involved in:

- We've attended school assemblies to really getting a feel for the ethos and values through KPS character.
- A safeguarding visit was conducted with the Deputy Head with a varied focus including mobile phones in school, child protection recording systems, and local child protection themes.
- We've also had meetings to better understand social media usage, to understand the implementation of GDPR, and to assure ourselves this dealt with in line with national good practice.
- An Early Years visit was held where the link governor was able to meet the Early Years team and gain a real understanding of how teaching and learning was delivered.
- We were invited to the coffee morning that was held at the schoolhouse which allowed a
 governor to meet pupils, parents and staff and to better understand how this super
 facility is running. A particular high point was the cakes baked by the pupils!
- Governors visited school to discuss behaviour policies and gather information of how leaders are developing the behaviour culture within school.
- A meeting was held with the school SENCO to understand how SEND and the schoolhouse provision is being delivered. This was also an opportunity to discuss ideas for the future and to support the SENCO in her development.

A consistent theme reported back from all these visits was that the energy and enthusiasm within the school are contagious!

We want you to know that these visits are not just about checking in; they are about supporting the school and staff, and ensuring that we, as governors, are fully in tune with what is happening. This helps us make more informed decisions that positively support the school and your children's education. We are incredibly proud of the hard work being done by both staff and pupils, and we are committed to continuing to work alongside the school leadership to ensure the school keeps moving from strength to strength. As always, we welcome your thoughts and feedback, so please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or ideas for how we can continue to support the school community. Wishing you all a lovely half term holiday!

FRIENDS OF KNAVESMIRE UPDATE

This weeks Friends' contribution...

Thank you all so much for coming to our Pumpkin Festival today and of course, all your contributions. For once, the weather was luckily just fabulous and we hope you had lots of fun and enjoyed yourselves.

The next big event at the school will be the KPS Quiz Night on Friday, the 15th November so get learning and maybe use the break to freshen up your quiz knowledge;) Please see the flyer below to get more information and to find out how you can sign up.

Soon the vvvery busy Christmas period will start so keep coming back to see more detailed information soon. But for now just have a good half term everyone and enjoy the beautiful autumn weather.









Friends of Knavesmire Primary School

COOL KIDS CLUB UPDATE

PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR STAFF TRAINING DAYS ARE AVAILABLE TO BOOK THROUGH CHILDCARE BOOKINGS FOR SCHOOLS - THEY WILL BE FOUND UNDER 'HOLIDAY CAMP' ON YOUR BOOKING ACCOUNT

Booking Sessions for KCKC

To start making bookings, simply:

- 1. Click here to access the online booking system (or visit https://knavesmire-primary.cbfs.uk)
- 2. Register your online booking account (5 mins)
- 3. Use the 'Bookings' dropdown menu at the top of your Dashboard to begin requesting your sessions

Queries and system support

If you have any questions, or difficulties navigating the online booking system, please contact Childcare Bookings for Schools (our partner for any administration, booking and finance aspects of our wraparound care) directly:

T: 01444 523335

E: knavesmire@childcarebookingsforschools.co.uk

Their office operates between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday, all year round (including the school holidays).

ALL bookings and changes to bookings, or payment queries, MUST be directed to Childcare Bookings for Schools directly. Neither the School Office nor KCKC staff will be able to assist with these queries.

If you do need to contact the KCKC staff for anything relating to the day-to-day club (a change to the person collecting, a personal note regarding a child on a specific day etc) then please use the contact details below:

T: 07871 272672

E: coolkidsclub@knavesmire.southbank.academy

Lots more information is available on the school website www.knavesmireprimary.co.uk/kckc



YEAR GROUP MESSAGES

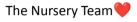


NURSERY MESSAGES

We have had a fantastic end to our first half term in Nursery! It has been a very busy week! We have celebrated the end of our Big Idea with self-portrait pizzas, decorated Halloween biscuits and had lots of messy fun exploring the Halloween slime and crafts.

We look forward to learning about and celebrating Diwali and Bonfire Night in the first week back.

Thank you for all your support this half term and we hope you have a lovely, relaxing half term break!



RECEPTION MESSAGES

Hello Reception!

Well done for completing your very first half term in Reception! We are incredibly proud of all of the children for settling in so well and for working so hard!

Next half term we will be learning about nocturnal and diurnal animals and our end goal will be a performance, the dates of these will be released shortly.

The children have been trying very hard with their phonics and handwriting and we've sent home some activities for you to complete during the half term break.

Thank you for all of your support and we are excited about more fun and exciting activities to come after half term! Enjoy your break, we will see you all in a week!

Miss Copping, Miss Coulson and the Reception Team

YEAR 1 MESSAGES

This week, we have worked hard to complete our animal fact boxes. They all look wonderful and everyone is proud of what they have created. In P.E. we completed our rugby unit and enjoyed playing in small teams against each other.

After the half term break, we will begin our new Big Idea about magic and imagination and hope to use what we learn to create a magical story. We will also begin working towards our KS1 performance! More information about this will follow shortly.

P.E. bags have been sent home to enable you to wash and replace items ready for the next half term; please make sure everything is labeled with your child's name. We hope you have a lovely half term break and thank you for your support during this half term.

From the Year One team.

YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



YEAR 2 MESSAGES

What a great end to fabulous half term! The children looked amazing in their Halloween costumes on Thursday and we loved seeing their creativity! This week, Year 2 have enjoyed writing their Halloween Reports and sharing them with Year 3. We have also shown off our knowledge from this Big Idea by creating a fact poster about Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder Plot! In Maths, we have practised using people method to solve division questions and used our skills to solve word problems. Next half term, our Big Idea will be focused around our guiding question 'Why are celebrations important?' and we will look at religious and other cultural celebrations from around the world. This week, we have also sent home the lyrics for our Christmas Play songs for the children to read and get familiar with. Our performance is called 'Gnome Alone' and we are very excited to start practising next half term! Lastly, we have shared some Autumn themed activities to have a go at if you would like to over half term. We are looking forward to hearing about all the fun you have had when we are back at school!

Have a brilliant half term!

The Year 2 Team

YEAR 3 MESSAGES

Year 3 have had a fabulous final week of their first half-term in Year 3. In Big Idea, the children have finished their Book Study of Alice in Wonderland and enjoyed watching the film on Monday afternoon with their blankets and cushions. In Maths, the children have been learning how to subtract numbers using the column subtraction method. Next half-term, they will continue this in their Maths lessons. In Writing, the children have developed their proofreading and editing skills as well as completing spelling quizzes.

We've been blown away with how well the children have settled into Year 3 and LKS2. They've worked extremely hard and deserved a well-earned break over half-term. With that in mind, children will not receive any homework over half-term.

If you have any questions or queries about anything at all, please don't hesitate to ask a member of the Year 3 Team. We hope you all have a very relaxing half-term! See you on Monday 4th November when we return to school.

The Year 3 Team.

YEAR 4 MESSAGES

What a great start to the year Autumn 1 has been! We have completely immersed ourselves in our Big Idea 'Can We Bring Magic to Knavemire?', which has seen us develop our skills across the board.

This week, we've further refined our problem solving skills in Maths, applying them to a range of questions, completed and published our Harry Potter related discussion text in English and made fantastic potions in our Forest School session.

Thanks for all your friendly faces and support this term. Have a great week!

YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



YEAR 5 MESSAGES

Year 5 have been super over the last 4 days and watched Wall-E this afternoon to end their Big Idea where their guiding purpose was: to hold a space exhibition. Next half term, we are moving onto our new Big Idea - WW1 - which we are all very excited about.

This week, in maths we have been learning how to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1,000. We will be looking at long multiplication, short division and fractions next half term. In writing, we have worked hard on how to punctuate sentences accurately.

Next term, we will be writing a persuasive piece, recount and starting to look at poetry. There will be no homework set for over half term. Homework will be set the first week back after half term.

We hope you all have a lovely and safe October half term.

The Year 5 Team.

YEAR 6 MESSAGES

This week, Year 6 have finally wrapped up their Viking Big Idea by creating some clay masterpieces and some beautiful non-fiction pages. We have really loved learning about the Vikings but we are ready to move on to our next Big Idea...

...The Knoscars! This prestigious film award is back! Year 6 will be writing their own movies and filming the trailers, which will be up for awards such as 'Best Picture', 'Best Actress' and 'Best Production Team.'

We will not be setting homework for the half-term holiday, as Year 6 certainly deserve a restful holiday.

We hope you all have a restful holiday.

Kind regards, The Year 6 Team.

THE SCHOOL HOUSE MESSAGES

We have made it to the end of the half term and it has been another great week! The children have finished their treehouse worlds and evaluated these against the success criteria. They have also finished writing their Magic Faraway Tree stories and shared these with Miss Smith (librarian).

Next half term, our Big Idea is all about religions and we will be focusing on Christianity, Hinduism and Buddhism. Our end goal is to create some beautiful Mandala artwork that can be given as gifts at Christmas time. If you would like to do any additional learning around these religions, over half term, that would be great.

We hope you have a wonderful half term holiday and have lots of fun, as well as rest.

The School House Team



Vaccination UK is attending our school for flu vaccinations on the following dates:

Wednesday 23rd October 2024

Reception

Year 1

Year 3

Year 5

Tuesday 12th November 2024

Year 2

Year 4

Year 6

Any child scheduled to receive their vaccination on 23/10/24 who is unable to attend school on that day.

As a reminder:

For your child to receive their Nasal flu vaccination in school, please complete a **YES** consent form using the link below.

https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2024/northyorkshire

If your child **cannot** have the Nasal spray, the injectable flu vaccine is available, and you will be able to choose that method on the consent form.

If you **DO NOT** wish for your child to have a flu vaccination, please complete a **NO** consent via the same link.



A reminder for Year 6 Parents/Carers...

The application deadline for Year 7 applications is approaching for those who have not yet applied.

Open Evenings have now finished and applications should be made online via ParentPortal by 31st October 2024. The link can be found at www.york.gov.uk/admissions

Mainstream applications should be made to the home Local Authority and applications can include up to 5 preference schools and we advise that the catchment school is included in the preferences.

If a child is moving to a private school, the Admissions Team must be told in writing at education@york.gov.uk confirming the child's details and which school they will be attending.

If there are any queries parents/carers can contact the Admissions Team at education@york.gov.uk or 01904 551554 option 2











PUMPKIN COMPOSTING

Don't know what to do with your leftover pumpkins after Halloween? Now you can leave them at a collection point in school and they will be taken to be composted.

Why should I compost my pumpkins? 18,000 tonnes of pumpkins get thrown away in the UK at Halloween.

Pumpkins can't break down naturally if they end up in landfill, and they then release methane gas which is a gas far worse than carbon dioxide.

If they are composted, they can breakdown naturally



Do not leave pumpkins in the woods or local parks. While some animals might eat them, pumpkins can make other animals unwell

How does it work? You can leave your pumpkins at school between Monday 4th November and Thursday 7th November. A small donation towards composting costs is optional but welcomed.



Parents for Future York and North Yorkshire.

Find out more about what we do at www.instagram.com/parentsforfuture_vork



A research team at the University of York is looking into mental health service provision for parents and caregivers of children with SEND living in and around York.

We know that raising a child or children with SEND can be challenging and are interested in learning about the experiences of mental health support that parents and caregivers of children with SEND have had.

We have devised an initial survey to get an idea of parents'/caregivers' awareness and use of mental health services in the York area. We would like this survey to be filled out by as many parents of children with SEND as possible so that we can get a true picture of how services are being used and how parents/caregivers feel they could be improved.

There will also be an opportunity to register interest for follow-up interviews at the end of the questionnaire. Interview participants will receive a £20 Amazon voucher as a thank you for their time.

https://york.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 8wYIjYrdhBad8c6

If you would like more information on this project or on circulating the survey, please don't hesitate to get in touch by responding to this email.

Many thanks,

Astrid Bowen
Associate Researcher
University of York





CLARE'S KITCHEN

After-school baking club ~ Year groups 1-6

Are You a Little Chef?



Clare's Kitchen's new 'Baking Club' will begin on **Friday 13th** and run weekly after school till 5.30pm.

Fees are £12.50 per session payable upfront.

Contact Clare to sign up:

clareskitchen@yahoo.co.uk

"Supporting children to reach their full potential in life"



CIRCUS SKILLS CLUB

Come and learn circus skills such as juggling, diabolo, poi, plate spinning, flowersticks and slacklining!

Autumn Term (7 sessions per half-term) Friday lunchtime for Reception to Year 6, £6/session + bursaries for low income families

> Time: 12:00-12:30 KPS main hall Dates: 13th September - 25th October 8th November - 13th December

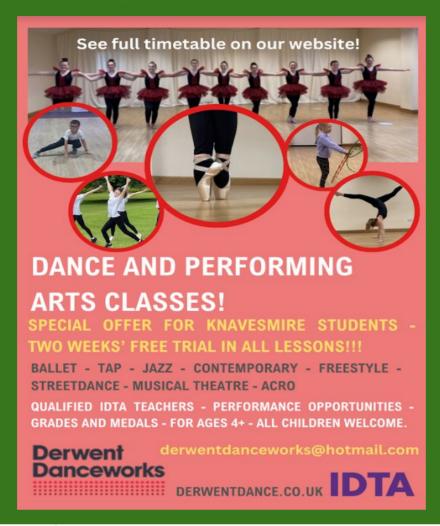
Bookings are per half term - please sign up at https://www.clubenrolment.com/CSY (Club location = "Knavesmire Primary School")

For any questions or offline booking please contact...

Circus Stu, Circus Skills York CIC

stuart@circusskillsyorkcic.org

07871 545388





dancewithmisscaroline@outlook.com

07540606684

RE: Lunch and After School clubs

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are so pleased to be back at Knavesmire Primary School again this year, this term we can offer a number of lunch and after school clubs for all students. The clubs run for the whole term September to December (13 weeks). Payment <u>must</u> be made before starting the club, these clubs <u>CANNOT</u> be paid by PARENTPAY.

Lunch Clubs

KS1 12pm - 12.30pm, KS2 12.30pm - 1pm

Tuesdays – Drama Club (Miss Caroline) 10/09 – 10/12 Wednesdays – Cheerleading (Miss Chloe) 11/09 – 11/12 Thursdays – Street/Commercial Dance (Miss Chloe) 12/09 – 12/12

After School Clubs

Tuesdays- Y2-6 Ballet Club (Miss Caroline) 10/09 – 10/12 Wednesdays – Reception & Year 1 Ballet Club (Miss Caroline) 11/09 – 11/12

Prices

Due to increases in costs the price of the clubs has risen slightly, the prices are as follows Lunch Club £3.50 per week - £45.50 After School Club £5 per week - £65

To sign up for any of the clubs please email by Friday 6th September at 5pm dancewithmisscaroline@outlook.com

Many Thanks, Miss Caroline



AUTUMN 1 SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS

Day	Time	Sport	For	Cost
Monday	3.25pm	Dodgeball	Years	£6 per week
After	-		3 - 6	
School	4.25pm			

Any questions please contact James Shimmin info@ignitesportscoaching.co.uk



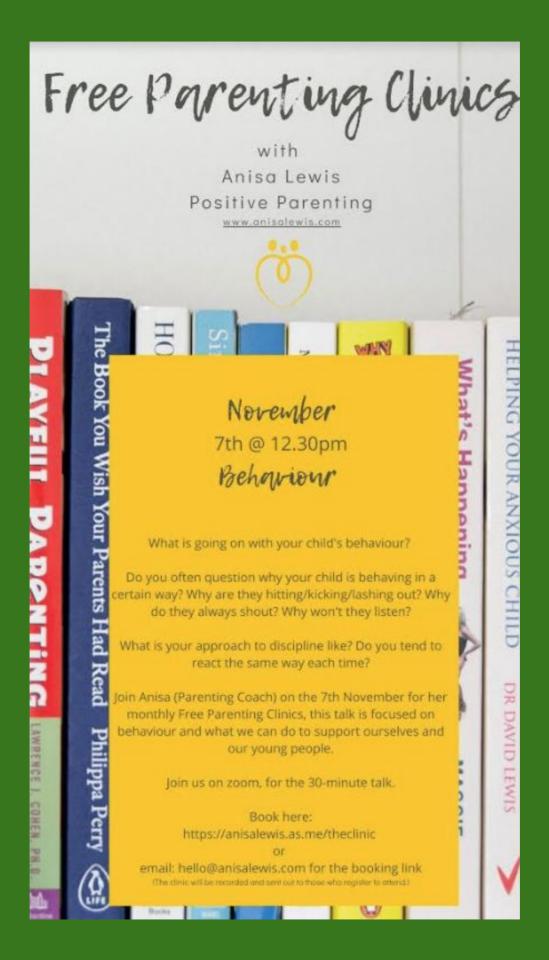


















How Children Learn Maths

A practical 10 week course for parents and carers to show how children are taught Maths in Primary Schools. You will learn how teaching progresses from Reception through to Year 6.

You will share ideas and fun activities that will help you support your child's learning at home.

Tuesday mornings 9.30 - 11.30, 24 Sept - 4 Dec

St Nicholas Church Hall, Wigginton

Thursday mornings 9.30 - 11.30, 26 Sept - 6 Dec

Acomb Explore Library, Front Street

Thursday afternoons 12.45 - 2.45, 26 Sept - 6 Dec

St Aelred's Community Centre, Fifth Avenue

Monday evenings online 7.30 - 9.00, 23 Sept - 3 Dec

You can do a Maths qualification in the follow on course.

For more information call **01904 554277** email **york.learning@york.gov.uk or** visit **www.yorklearning.org.uk**





Autism Support for Parents from the Specialist Teaching Team for Autism



Wednesdays Autumn 2024

Fortnightly Topic Talks Wednesdays in Autumn Term 2024:

Early Years 18.9.24 - 10-11a.m. online & 1.30-2.30 p.m. in person

Masking 2.10.24 - 10-11a.m. online & 1.30-2.30 p.m. in person

5-Point Scale 16.10.24 - 10-11a.m. online & 1.30-2.30 p.m. in person

Autism and Adolescence 6.11.24 - 10-11a.m. online & 1.30-2.30 p.m. in person

Comic Strip Conversations 20.11.24-10-11a.m. online & 1.30-2.30 p.m. in person

Coping with Christmas 4.12.24- 10-11a.m. online & 1.30-2.30 p.m. in person

Fortnightly Phone line (mornings) and drop-in (afternoons) Autumn 2024:

Wednesday 11th September 9 a.m. -12 noon & 1.30 - 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday 25th September 9 a.m. -12 noon & 1.30 - 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday 9th October 9 a.m. -12 noon & 1.30 - 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday 23rd October 9 a.m. -12 noon & 1.30 - 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday 13th November 9 a.m. -12 noon & 1.30 - 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday 27th November 9 a.m. -12 noon & 1.30 - 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday 11th December 9 a.m. -12 noon & 1.30 - 2.30 p.m.

Parent Group: Topic Talks virtual (a.m.) and repeated in person (p.m.)

Topic Talks led by the Specialist Teaching Team for Autism, including time for questions and peer support.

Virtual: 10-11 a.m. On Microsoft Teams. Due to confidentiality issues, we will be unable to discuss named children during this time.

In Person: 1.30-2.30 p.m. at The YIKS All About Autism Hub, Clifton Children's Centre, (In front of Clifton Green School), YO30 6BF.

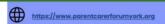
Parent/Carer Phone Line and Drop-in

The Specialist Teaching Team Autism are offering parents/carers the opportunity to talk to a member of the team regarding general issues and concerns about children/young people with autism.

Phone line support: 9-12 noon 20 minutes is allocated per phone call.

In person drop-in support. 1.30-2.30 p.m. at The YIKS All About Autism
Hub, Clifton Children's Centre, (In front of Clifton Green School), YO30 6BF

To book a 20 minute phone line call or to book your virtual place on a Microsoft Teams Topic Talk session, please email your name stating which Topic Talks you would like to book to: parentcarerautismsupport@york.gov.uk. For phone support, we require your name and a contact telephone number for us to call you. We will send you a time slot for your 20 minute call. If we receive a high volume of requests we may need to allocate spaces on the session on a first come, first served basis. This is an admin email address and we are unable to forward or respond to queries via this email. Bookings close the Thursday before the session. For in person drop-in sessions, you do not need to book and you are welcome to simply arrive on the day. Please be aware, sessions may be busy and you may need to wait to speak to a member of the team.



October 10th 2024



NEWS LETTER

connect@pcfyork.co.uk

Listening Event Maxine Squire, Assistant Director of Education and Skills

Meet Maxine at this online Listening Event on Wednesday 23rd October at 6:30

Hear about council changes and an open question and answer session.

Email connect@pcfyork.co.uk for a joining link





Coffee Morning

Come Join us for a peer support coffee morning. All welcome. The first drink is on us.

This informal meet up is a great way to share your experiences and get tips from others like you
Thursday 17th October, 10:30
Acomb Library, Front Street

<u>Have you looked at our newly refreshed website?</u>
<u>Visit https://www.parentcarerforumyork.org</u>

Next Edition October 24th

10th October 2024



NEWS LETTER

Support for Young people and Mental Health

Drop In 4-7pm on Monday and Thursday evenings. Anyone aged 14-2lyrs (25 SEND) are free to come to the drop-in to access support or simply access a safe place. There is NO REFERRAL required young people can simply turn up. They can also access sexual health advice and substance misuse advice and support from YorSexual Health and Change, Grow, Live who are present at the drop in on a regular basis. All details can be found on the Yormind website https://www.yormind.org.uk/.

Expressive Minds is a brand new group support project for young people aged 11–18. This is now open to referrals and young people can self-refer or parents/carers/other professionals can make a referral on their behalf. The first group will begin in November and referrals are now open via this link https://www.yormind.org.uk/mental-health-services/expressive-minds/.









ree Workshops with Daisy Chainwalable venturite bookings now open NOW 24th October 24 10:00 am - 12:00 noon Folk Hall, New Earswick

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understandin sensory-processing-differences-tickets-1026736605827

Next edition 24th October

10th October 2024

Meet Hannah and Jodie from Accessible Arts and Media, on a musical adventure of bits and bobs. What will we get up to? You decide! There'll be games a plenty, grooving along to your favourite tunes and exploring different instruments. We'll craft our own instruments, maybe create our own soundscape and finally we'll float away with some sensory bits and bobs.

All our IMPs holiday clubs are fully inclusive and you don't need any musical experience to take part. When: **Wednesday 30th October**

When: Wednesday 30th Octobe Time: 1.30-3.30pm

Who for? For ages 9+ for those with a disability and their siblings and friends who don't have a disability.

Where? Clifton Explore, Rawcliffe Drive, YO30 6NS

Clifton Explore is a fully accessible building; There is also a cafe and library for you to hang out in before, or after the session.

Cost: £12, payable on the day, cash or card. We don't want the cost to be a barrier, so please ask about sibling discounts or subsidies.

How to book:

Use the online form: https://forms.office.com/r/c0LAQkAqFg Email: imps@aamedia.org.uk Phone or text: 07547 288786

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