

Knavesmire Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 15th November 2024

Mr Cooper and Mr Gardiner's Message

Happy Children in Need Day,

Thank you for whole-heartedly supporting our fundraising efforts this week. We think that when we count the final pennies tonight we will have raised over £1000! Well worth the gunging and baking. Also, a huge shout out to the Year 6 staff and children who have put so much effort into organising the fundraising.

This week has also seen the England Rocks competition on Times Tables rockstars and, out of nearly 5000 school, we are pleased to have performed so well: 68th on average score per pupil and 20th on total score! Well done everyone.

Have a great weekend and thanks for your support with attendance as the cold weather approaches.

Mr Cooper & Mr Gardiner



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):

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*** NEW SCHOOL EMAIL ADDRESS ***

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



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Christmas Dinner Day



ATTENTION ALL PARENTS!!!!

Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day will be on Wednesday 11/12/24.

Please can **ALL PARENTS** complete the item on ParentPay detailing whether your child will be having a “Red Option”, “Green Option” or “Home Pack Up/Home Dinner”.

Please complete this by Thursday 21/11/24.

This is different from previous years as we now need a response for **every child**.

Christmas Menu

- Red option - Roast Chicken with Pigs in Blankets (Not Halal)
- Green Option - Quorn Fillet (Vegan, Vegetarian and Halal)

Both red and green options come with:

- Roast Potatoes
- Sprouts
- Carrots
- Stuffing (inc stuffing suitable for vegetarian and gluten and dairy allergies)
- Yorkshire Pudding (omitted for gluten and dairy allergies)
- Gravy (including gravy suitable for vegetarian and gluten allergies)

Dessert

- Reindeer Biscuits (dairy free)
- Homemade Gluten and Dairy Free Christmas Biscuits

COMPLETE THE ITEM ON PARENTPAY BY THURSDAY 21/11/24

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.

Please do not bring any nut products into school.



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



WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



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 or 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

[Week 3 Permanent Menu Change](#)

[Mondays](#)

[Red](#) Bacon Macaroni Cheese

[Green](#) Macaroni Cheese

SCHOOL LIBRARY

The Library is back open after the Half Term break for browsing and borrowing from 3.15-4pm every day.

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 Ticket,
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?bankId=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/140233959376362/permalink/6818721288194229/>

WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



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.



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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

TRIPS, ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCES

(Please see next page for Christmas 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

Merchant Adventurers' Hall, 03/12/24 - Please see email sent (18/10/24).

Robin Hood's Bay - Please see email sent (18/10/24). The payment item is now live on ParentPay. The next payment is due by **28/02/25**.

Year 5

Astrocampus at York University, 12/12/24 - See email sent today (15/11/24). Please complete the combined consent on ParentPay by **Monday 25/11/24**. Please can children arrive at school at 8.30am on the day of the trip and bring a packed lunch.

Matilda Performance at Millthorpe School, 16/12/24 - See email sent today (15/11/24). Please complete the combined consent on ParentPay by **Monday 25/11/24**. Children need a packed lunch for this trip.

Carlton Lodge - Please see email sent 08/10/24. The ParentPay item is now live on ParentPay. The next payment is due by **31/12/24**.

Year 6

Barcelona 2025 - The payment plan is live on ParentPay. The next payment is due by **30/11/24**.

Other

Young Voices Concert, Friday 10/01/24 - 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=NDg0OS8xNzlxMTIz>

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES & PERFORMANCES



Nursery

-Nursery Christmas Sing Along, Tues 10/12/24, 9.30am - 10.15am - Information will be communicated through Class Dojo.

-Christmas Disco, Fri 13/12/24, 3.30pm - 4pm - See email sent 08/11/24. Please pay voluntary donation of £1 on ParentPay or pay £1 on the door on the night. Children can also bring cash to spend at the FoKPS tuck shop.

-FoKPS Santa's Secret Shop - See email sent 08/11/24. Sign up on ParentPay by **Thursday 28/11/24**.

Reception

-Christmas Play, Thurs 12/12/24, 2pm - 2.45p, and Fri 13/12/24, 10am - 10.45am - See email sent 05/11/24. Please book tickets using the booking system. <https://parents-booking.co.uk/login.jsp>

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Year 1

-Christmas Play, Tues 10/12/24, 1.45pm - 2.30pm and Wed 11/12/24, 9.45am - 10.30am - See email sent 05/11/24. Please book tickets using the booking system. <https://parents-booking.co.uk/login.jsp>

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Year 2

-Christmas Play, Tues 10/12/24, 1.45pm - 2.30pm and Wed 11/12/24, 9.45am - 10.30am - See email sent 05/11/24. Please book tickets using the booking system. <https://parents-booking.co.uk/login.jsp>

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Year 3

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CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES & PERFORMANCES (Cont)



Year 4

-Christmas Disco, Fri 13/12/24, 5.15pm - 6pm - See email sent 08/11/24. Please pay voluntary donation of £1 on ParentPay or pay £1 on the door on the night. Children can also bring cash to spend at the FoKPS tuck shop.

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Year 5

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Year 6

-Christmas Disco, Fri 13/12/24, 5.15pm - 6pm - See email sent 08/11/24. Please pay voluntary donation of £1 on ParentPay or pay £1 on the door on the night. Children can also bring cash to spend at the FoKPS tuck shop.

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-FoKPS Santa's Secret Shop - See email sent 08/11/24. Sign up on ParentPay by **Thursday 28/11/24**.

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

Other

-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/>

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: clare@clares-kitchen.co.uk
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



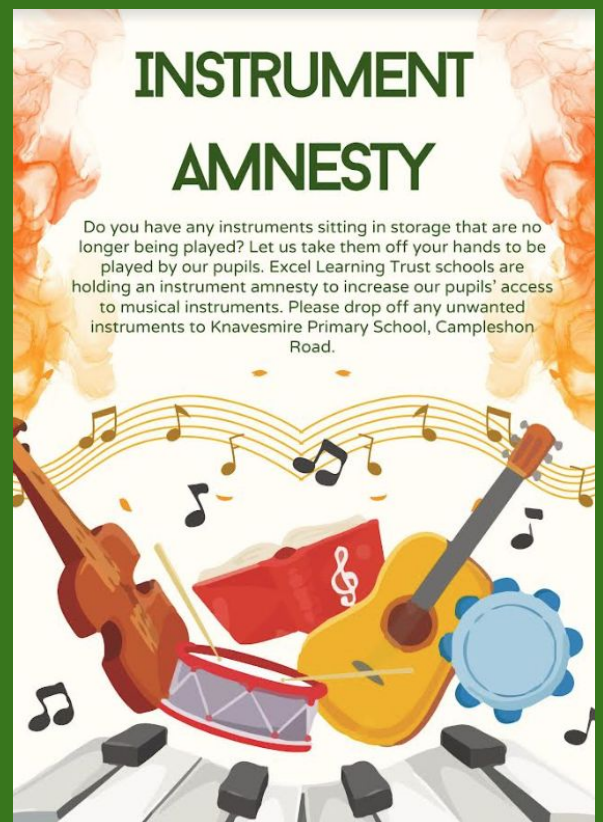
Peripatetic Music Lessons in School

The following music lessons 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 17/12/14	6.45 - 7pm York Youth Orchestra Christmas Rehearsal @ Millthorpe 3pm - York Youth Orchestra Christmas Concert @ Millthorpe 2.45 - 3.15pm - Ancient Egypt Big Idea Exhibition
Year 4	03/12/24 05/12/24 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 Ancient Greece themed dress up day 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	10/03/25 - 14/03/25	Barcelona Trip
The School House		
Other	23/11/24 28/11/24 06/12/24 11/12/24 13/12/24 15/12/24 16/12/24 18/12/24 19/12/24 10/01/25	ELT choir carol singing at St Helens Square 10am - Y6 choir members 3.25-3.40 KS1 Choir Carols in the playground FoKPS Santa's Secret Shop Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day Christmas Disco. Nursery and Reception - 3.30pm - 4pm, Years 1-3 - 4.15pm - 5pm, Years 4-6 - 5.15pm - 6pm 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

FRIENDS OF KNAVESMIRE UPDATE

Today, it's a busy fundraising day at Knavesmire and we appreciate all your support for Children in Need. And of course a big thanks to those who have volunteered to be gunged (especially as this time round it's being recorded for the world to witness and replay on the BBC's Look North no less).

Don't forget it's the school's Quiz Night tonight as well. We wish all the teams who have signed up good luck and most importantly hope you have fun.

Lastly we want to send a few reminders your way:

Since Monday the Christmas jumper sale has been on. You can find them in the foyer of the school's entrance area and buy one for just £2. Donations are still welcome too and can be left on the bottom of the rack.

On Thursday, the 28 November we'll be holding our Christmas Shopping Eve - so tell your friends, family and neighbours to come down to the school and get their Christmas shopping sorted. We have an amazing range of local sellers this year who you shouldn't miss. There will also be drinks and snacks available to buy to get everyone in the right festive spirit (... which we'll be trying to achieve already right after school on that day when the KS1 choir will be performing to ring in the festive season).

On Friday, the 6 December it'll be the much anticipated Secret Santa Day. Please don't forget to pay for it on ParentPay and enter all necessary information to avoid disappointment and help us run the event as smoothly as possible.

The Friday after that, on the 13 December the day has finally come: the greatly awaited school disco is back. Mark it in your calendar to not miss it.

Lastly, we also have put out the hampers at school so that, from now on, you can donate items for the big Christmas Hamper Raffle. And of course don't forget to buy your tickets as well to be in with a chance of winning one of the 8 amazing hampers that will be available. The draw will take place on Monday, the 16 December - accompanied by a performance of the KS2 choir and a cake sale. So please donate by Friday the 13 December. Thank you so much!

Have a good weekend everyone.



Friends of Knavesmire Primary School

Registered Charity N° 1050289

FRIENDS OF KNAVESMIRE
UPDATE

Friends of Knavesmire
Primary School

Christmas Shopping Evening

Free Entry

★ Thursday 28 November 2024
Knavesmire Primary School Hall 6-8pm

Open to the whole community

There will be an array of stalls including:
Jewellery, Mrs Fairburn's Chutney,
art prints, cards, sweets, candles, books,
crochet hats and much more..

Refreshments on sale will include:
Prosecco, mulled wine, mince pies and apple juice.

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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

It has been another busy week in Nursery!

We began our Big Idea 'Once Upon a Time' by learning all about Goldilocks and the Three Bears! We had lots of messy fun with the porridge oats retelling the story as well as using our imagination to extend the fairy tale. This also led to lots of maths discussion, counting to 3 and discussing big, medium and small. Next week we will be looking at an alternative Goldilocks story about the Three Snow Bears and searching for the similarities and differences between the two stories!

We also started PE sessions this week and hopped aboard the Nursery train, transitioning through school to the hall. It was very exciting exploring a new environment and we had lots of fun burning off some energy! We will be continuing these sessions throughout the year on a Monday afternoon or Tuesday morning, therefore please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for some running around if they attend either of these sessions.

Next week we will be starting our Forest School sessions, which are on a 3 week rolling timetable with Reception. This will continue for the rest of the school year. Please wrap up warm!

Finally we ended the week learning about Children in Need whilst dressed in our pyjamas. What better way to end the week! We hope you have a lovely weekend and look forward to welcoming you back on Monday morning.

The Nursery Team ❤️

RECEPTION MESSAGES

Hello Reception!

We have had a great couple of weeks back after the half term break and the children have settled back into school beautifully.

This week in phonics we have learned the new phonemes v,w,x and y. In maths we have been looking at different ways of making and representing 4 and in Big Idea we are looking at the Nocturnal animals that feature in our play 'Night Monkey, Day Monkey'

We have also begun to practice the songs and dances that will feature in the performance and we will send home a slip to let you know which part your child has and the costume that they will need. If anyone has any problems in sourcing these items please let us know and we can help.

We hope you have a lovely weekend and we'll see you next week.

Miss Copping, Miss Coulson and the Reception Team

YEAR 1 MESSAGES

This week, there has been a lot of 'magic' in Year One! In Big Idea, we made magic wands by joining natural and man-made materials and also took part in some magical drama! In English, we text mapped a magical part of the Cinderella story and then wrote sentences to tell the story in our own words. In Maths, we have started to work on reading and writing number sentences using the symbols of + and =.

Next week, we will be creating some magical potion jars using our art skills, meeting an engineer to find out how they use their imagination and trying some magical science!

Costume letters have been placed in your child's reading packet, so these should have reached you. If you have any questions regarding these, please speak to Mrs Gage or Miss Palmer.

YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



YEAR 2 MESSAGES

We have had another wonderfully busy week in Year 2 this week with the added treat of class photos! Thank you for your time on Parents' Evening - it was lovely to be able to update you all on how the children are getting on in school. In Maths, we have been working hard with our expanded column addition. The children have used their knowledge of number bonds or mental addition to accurately add 2 digit numbers together (even crossing the 10s boundary). Our times tables focus for next week will be the 10 x tables. In English, the children have been practising their instruction following and even improved a set of instructions to make them clearer and include some time adverbials. We look forward to creating our own instructions linked to our Celebrations Big Idea to send home next week!

Thank you for your efforts with practising lines or songs with the children at home. We continue to use time in class to practise the dance moves for our songs and learn lyrics or lines together. As a reminder, we are asking for scripts to be kept accessible at both home and school for the children who have lines in the play. Costumes will need to be in school for Monday 2nd December to help us with our rehearsals.

Have a great weekend,
From the Year 2 team!

YEAR 3 MESSAGES

Year 3 have been rockstars this week! In Maths, they took part in a TT Rockstars England Rocks competition whereby they competed against thousands of other schools across the country. They worked hard to answer a range of different multiplication questions at speed. In Writing, the children wrote a set of instructions using a text map from a previous lesson to help them then began to plan their very own set of instructions. The children learnt about the importance of spells and potions, to the Ancient Egyptians, and are going to be writing a set of their own instructions as to how to create a potion of their choice! In Big Idea, the children learned how to write their names in hieroglyphics and played a game that was well-loved by pharaohs during ancient times. In PE, the children have started their netball unit where they have learned a number of passes and the purposes of each one.

As always, the children have worked incredibly hard this week and should be very proud of themselves.

It was lovely to see and talk with so many families who attend this week's parents evening appointments! Thank you very much for coming.

We hope you have a lovely, restful and relaxing weekend.
The Year 3 Team.

YEAR 4 MESSAGES

We have had a great week in Year 4!

In Maths, we took part in the TT Rockstars England Rocks competition in addition to using the bus stop method to help us solve division questions.

In English, we have started our new narrative unit. This week, we have been looking at the features of narratives, particularly narratives published in the form of comic strips. We are also continuing to work hard on using baseline and cursive handwriting each morning.

In Big Idea, we have been learning all about Ancient Greek Gods and Goddesses. For this Big Idea, we will be watching clips of Percy Jackson and Hercules. These films will help us create narratives in English.

Thank you to everyone who came to parents evening, we hope you find the resources we shared helpful going forward.

Have a lovely weekend everyone and thank you for your ongoing support.

Year 4 team.

YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



YEAR 5 MESSAGES

We have gone from strength to strength with our netball skills and we will start to put some of these into real-life game situations next week. In maths, we have compared and ordered a range of fractions into ascending and descending order. Next week, we will focus on adding and subtracting fractions. In writing, we have planned and written a first draft of our WW1 persuasive leaflet. Next week, we will edit and create our final copies.

During our Big Idea sessions, we have discussed what life was like for certain people during WW1 and how different modes of transport were used. We will then focus on the purpose of propaganda and how it was utilised at the time.

Homework this week is again based on equivalent fractions (My Maths) and spelling homework (apostrophes) will be set as normal alongside Spelling Shed.

Have a brilliant weekend,
The Year 5 Team.

YEAR 6 MESSAGES

It's been a very busy week in Year 6 this week! In English, we have been writing the beginning of our exciting quest stories ready for our film trailers. In Maths, Year 6 have worked incredibly hard in the national TTRockstars 'England Rocks' times table competition. Both classes have been at the top of the national leader and regional boards which is an amazing achievement- well done. On Thursday, we had a great time in Forest School with Mrs Banham and in PE we started our Hockey unit.

Year 6 were fantastic in their hard work fundraising for Children In Need, the cake sale and Gunge the Teacher fundraisers were a huge success due to their organisation.

It was lovely to meet all of you at parents evening this week. Homework will be sent home today as usual and will be due next Friday.

Have a lovely weekend,
Year 6 Team.

THE SCHOOL HOUSE MESSAGES

We have had a brilliant week in the School House and it was lovely to meet with you all at parents' evening too. On Monday, we went to York's Buddhist Centre, on Walmgate. It was really interesting to learn about the history of Buddhism, what it means to be Buddhist and the importance of meditation. The children had the chance to ask lots of questions and they also had a try at meditating! It was a lovely unique experience. To explore this learning further, in Big Idea lessons, the children used drama to retell the story of Buddha and the Bodhi Tree. They have also learnt about Buddhist symbols and temples and why they are important to Buddhists.

Next week, the children will be continuing their learning about Christianity and reading parables and thinking about what they teach Christians.

As always, if you have any questions, please come and chat to us.

We hope you have a fantastic weekend!
The School House team

COMMUNITY MESSAGES

Thank you to all of the families who donated their pumpkins. We were very impressed with the amount of pumpkins we received!



Worms have an endless supply of food. Now worms have more houses to live in!



The pumpkins have been taken to the recycling centre to be composted. Thank you for all of the donations we received.



COMMUNITY MESSAGES

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



 UNIVERSITY of York

Are you a parent/caregiver of a child or children with SEND?
Do you live in York or the surrounding areas?

Researchers at the University of York in partnership with Mentally Fit York would like to hear from you about **your experiences of mental health support services** in and around York.

We have created an **anonymous survey** to gather your views. This survey should take 15-30 minutes to complete.

At the end of the survey, you will also have the opportunity to register your interest to take part in a follow-up interview. Interview participants will receive a £20 Amazon voucher as a thank you.

 **Survey Link (Web)**

Scan me with your phone!   Click me!

Thanks in advance for your time, and we look forward to hearing from you!

Need more information?
Please contact either: Laura Fox (Project Lead) laura.fox@york.ac.uk
or Astrid Bowen (Research Associate) astrid.bowen@york.ac.uk

COMMUNITY MESSAGES



Educational Psychology (EP) Support Line

A confidential telephone support service, staffed by Educational Psychologists, to talk through questions or concerns about children and young people's **wellbeing** or **learning**.

Open to **all** parents/carers of children with additional needs or SEND living in the City of York (who have not had recent EP involvement), and practitioners working with children who live in/attend an educational setting in York.

"It's invaluable"

"Great service. Very easy to arrange"



"I feel confident in the next steps we can take"

"I felt really listened to and supported"

Calls of up to 30 minutes are available

Monthly – the last Wednesday of each month 9.00am – 3.30 pm

Term time only (September 2024 - July 2025)

To book a slot, please e-mail: EPsupportline@york.gov.uk with your name and a contact telephone number.

Bookings will close on the Friday before each session at 5pm. We will then email you with a time slot for your consultation on the Tuesday.

This is a one-off consultation provided by City of York Educational Psychologists on a rota basis.

Please note: the helpline offers short slots to talk with a psychologist about specific concerns; unfortunately, within the time available, we cannot advise on complex situations where different agencies need to work together to support a child or young person.

September 25th 2024
October 23rd 2024
November 27th 2024
December 18th 2024
January 29th 2025
February 26th 2025
March 26th 2025
April 23rd 2025
May 21st 2025
June 25th 2025
July 16th 2025

COMMUNITY MESSAGES

CLARE'S KITCHEN - LITTLE CHEFS CLUB



KNAVESMIRE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Clare's Kitchen after-school Baking Club starts back on **Friday 15th November**. Children plan, prepare and bake their own treats. They learn a whole range of independent skills, as well as having fun and gaining confidence. There are fun 'Bake Offs' around celebrated holidays and special days such as Halloween, Christmas, St Valentine and Easter. Our weekly sessions are £12.50 each, which are payable upfront. A warm snack with bread is provided when we bake sweet treats and little chefs may take home anything they do not eat. Do you have a little chef at home who would like to join us?

Email: clare@clares-kitchen.co.uk Contact: 07813182216



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

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St Leonard's Hospice 

Elf Run

Run for festive fun at the Designer Outlet!

Free elf hats and lots of festive entertainment!

In partnership with  



Sunday 8 December

York Sustainable Schools Network Newsletter

November 2024

Events in York

It was lovely to see some of you at our schools' sharing event, as part of York Environment Weeks last half term.

To build on this network, we are aiming to host a **Sustainable Schools Conference** (at the University of York) in early July, so watch this space as plans develop. We would love to see as many schools there as possible.

For schools wishing to connect each half term, our next meeting (on Zoom) will take place on **Tuesday 26th November from 3:45 - 4:45**, using this Zoom link <https://york-ac-uk.zoom.us/j/94194904663?pwd=qdASmyf7EKY9Zq7DtVjULSbtmKqR.1>

The **agenda** for this meeting is:

- Sharing ideas (schools invited to share one idea of something they do at school to promote sustainability, climate action or engagement with nature)
- Show your stripes
- Schools conference - what do you want?
- AOB

In the community

Action for Nature Day (Yorkshire Wildlife Trust)

Have you ever wished you could make your area better for wildlife? Be inspired by information stalls, presentations and practical workshops to develop your ideas, grow your knowledge and **Sunday 17 November 2024**. Programme starts at **12 noon** so feel free to arrive a little ahead of the start and get comfortable!

Tang Hall Community Centre, Tang Hall Community Centre, York, YO31 0UG, York, North Yorkshire, YO31 0UG
<https://www.ywt.org.uk/events/2024-11-17-action-nature-day>

Signposting potential funding for schools

Woodland Trust

Free trees for schools and communities. Supplying between 30- 420 tree saplings (multiple sizes and species to choose from). **Applications close 13th January 2025**. <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities/>

OVO Foundation Nature Prize

OVO Foundation and Let's GO Zero have teamed up to improve children and young people's access to nature and biodiversity. OVO Foundations 3 year project with Let's Go Zero will award 25 schools a year across the UK a cash prize of £1,000 or £200 for projects that bring their students closer to nature.

For a chance to win schools are asked to submit their ideas for projects. It is a bonus if these projects fall within the key areas identified by Let's Go Zero for effective carbon reduction: Nature, Food, Adaptation and Resilience, Water, Culture, and Waste.


Entries close 25 November 2024
<https://letsgozero.org/our-competitions/>

Signposting Support for Climate and Nature Education

National Education Nature Park

To support the DfE strategy for sustainability and climate change, schools can sign up to the National Education Nature Park for free.


How does it work?
Once registered, schools have access to a range of resources and tools to help schools map the boundaries and existing biodiversity of their school sites, encourage students to plan and implement nature based changes and track the changes and impacts through interactive mapping tools. Funding opportunities are also signposted through this website.



SCAN ME

Let's go Zero

Is your school looking for support to become zero carbon?
As part of the Let's Go Zero campaign a team of Climate Action Advisors are available to give free and tailored advice to help green England's school buildings, transport, menus and more. They support schools to understand their carbon impact, make effective plans, and find funding and resources. We work with schools of any size, even those that are just starting their sustainability journey.




SCAN ME

What support is available?

Climate Ambassadors


Climate Ambassadors offers every education setting in England free access to volunteer support to develop and deliver impactful climate action plans. Volunteers are trained and enhanced DBS checked so connect with them to request support.



SCAN ME

Sustainability Support for Education


Sustainability Support for Education enables education settings to start or progress on their sustainability journey. This includes all types of settings from Early Years to Higher Education. This website offers suggested actions paired with quality-assured resources, linked with the aims of the DfE strategy.



SCAN ME

Are you aware of the DfE's strategy for sustainability and climate change for the education and children's services systems?

- Did you know that the strategy states that every school should have a sustainability lead and climate action plan by the end of 2025?
- Where possible we are trying to connect schools and educational settings to signpost support, build networks, share ideas and take action together.
- We are hoping to hold a sustainable schools conference in July 2025 and would love to hear what schools/ educational settings would like from this opportunity. Contact georgia.ramsay@york.ac.uk with suggestions/ ideas.



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See full timetable on our website!



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DERWENTDANCE.CO.UK **IDTA**



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 **must** be made before starting the club, these clubs **CANNOT** 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

COMMUNITY MESSAGES

Free Parenting Clinics

with
Anisa Lewis
Positive Parenting
www.anisalewis.com



December

5th @ 12.30 pm

Emotions

What is going on with your child's emotions?

One minute they are happy the next they are talking back or having a tantrum!

Are you wondering why your child's emotional outbursts come just as you are trying to get everyone out of the door, at the end of the school day or quite frankly you know it is coming you can sense it, then BOOM!

Join Anisa (Parenting Coach) on December, 5th for her monthly Free Parenting Clinic. This talk will focus on emotions and what we can do to support ourselves and our young people.

Join us on Zoom, for the 30-minute talk.

Book here:

<https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic>

or

email: hello@anisalewis.com for the booking link

Can't attend live, register anyway, the replay is sent out to all that book into the clinic.



ANISA LEWIS
POSITIVE PARENTING COACH

Daily Tasks designed to help parents to build stronger connections with your kids.

Join me each day as I share a new QUICK activity for you to do with your kids.

7-day Positive Parenting Challenge
17th to 23rd
November

Each day we focus on a different aspect of Positive Parenting.

Use #positiveparentingchallenge to share progress, experiences and reflections

Share your journey either in the Facebook group or on social media

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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

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.

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/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.

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14th November 2024
<https://www.parentcarerforumyork.org>

Parent Carer Forum York

NEWS LETTER

Connect@pcforyork.co.uk

Signposts
 The Local offer details all providers in York but in this edition we would like to highlight the following groups who may be able to support you

- York Inspirational Kids
- Autism Arena
- Downs Syndrome Group, YDSC
- Menfulness

Carers Rights Day
 We are pleased to be joining with York Carers at this event. Please pop in for coffee and cake. This is a chance to connect with our staff and legal, financial, and social care professionals who will be available to offer guidance and answer any questions about your rights and entitlements. Topics we'll cover include:

- Lasting Powers of Attorney, Wills, and Trusts
- Independent Financial Advice
- Welfare Benefits
- Paying for Care
- Social Care
- Carers' Assessments of Need
- Balancing Work and Caring Responsibilities
- Support and Information for Parent Carers
- Resources and Advice for Young Adult Carers

Listening Event, SEND employment
 Would you like to find out more about SEND employment? Have you got a question in this area or an experience you would like to share. Join us online Weds 27th November at 6:30 to meet other parents and professionals. Email connect@pcforyork.co.uk for a link




Next edition Friday 29th December
 14th November 2024

Parent Carer Forum York


NEWS LETTER

Coffee Morning
 Come for a chat over coffee (on us) with other parents who share our experiences.
Monday 25th November 10:30 York Youth Hostel, Water End
Tuesday 3rd December 10:30, Folk Hall New Earswick

Cuppa and Chat
 Sometimes its hard to make coffee mornings and chat with other parents who have lived experience like you. Our online cuppa and chat is an opportunity to meet up from your own home, bring a cuppa, glass , chocolate whatever and use this time to meet others. No agenda. Email connect@pcforyork.co.uk for a joining link
Friday 29th November at 7:00 pm

Our Voice Makes a Difference
 In the last six months we have hosted 42 events in which we have listened to 224 shared experiences. These events include coffee mornings in cafe's, schools or online listening events. We have used these events to gather your priorities, some of which are listed below with detail on what has been done as a result of our shared voice:

- Preparation for Adulthood** resulting in the rewriting and revisiting of policy and provision in this area
- Mental health and Neurodivergence** leading to an offer of termly Listening Events with parents, regular meetings with PCF and CAMHS and increased parent voice informing delivery
- Short breaks** CYC commitment to including parent voice in the upcoming review
- Timeliness of EHCP and Annual Reviews.** CYC has instigated a regular and robust audit process and action plan
- Access to Health Services.** Working with NHS and York Carers to develop information about carers needs into all GP surgeries. Representation on a working group with York District Hospital. Representing your voice to the ICB to support commissioning decisions.
- Children struggling to attend school.** CYC have produced a useful document graduated response to attendance
- Support for children without EHCPs:** PCF meets regularly to discuss the learning support hub outcomes. The ordinarily available provision document was produced with the help of parents and carers.
- Access to OT sensory support.** Offered training , working with NHS to produce bite size sensory resources



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	CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Challenging Behaviours
Level 3:	Level 3 Certificate in the Principles of Special Educational Needs

Please go to our website address above, for more information.

*Please take note of the online live webinar sessions that **MUST** be attended to complete this full time 6 week course, and the ESFA's (Education Skills Funding Agency) eligibility criteria.

