

# Knavesmire Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 17th January 2025

### Mr Cooper and Mr Gardiner's Message

Happy Friday!

We've been getting back into the term-time routine in school this week. Most clubs and music lessons have now re-started for the year and it's great to see so many children taking part in a variety of extra-curricular activities. Within school we have welcomed the Theatre Royal into school for a workshop in Year 2, some of Year 4 have visited the Nursing Home in the Chocolate Works to meet the residents, and Year 6 have enjoyed a trip to Yorkshire Air Museum in Elvington.

We've had a mix of weather this week and we'd like to thank you for taking extra care on the playground at drop off and pick up. We have taken necessary steps to ensure that the children are only using outside facilities when it is suitable to do so and we're certainly looking forward to some milder weather into next week.

We are also sharing our 'Behaviour Curriculum' in this week's Newsletter, on the page below, so please do have a look at this, and if you would like further information you can find it on the 'Policies' section of the school website.

Wishing you a restful weekend

Mr Gardiner and Mr Cooper



#### WELCOME TO OUR NEWSLETTER

We hope that this 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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## BEHAVIOUR CURRICULUM

We're really pleased to share our Behaviour Curriculum, which has been designed in partnership with local artist Ellie Lewis. This poster helps us to show our children what we are trying to achieve, how we should behave and treat each other and what we will do to get there. It isn't exhaustive and works alongside our Behaviour Policy. We wanted it to be child friendly and we have shared it with pupils across school already. It goes hand in hand with our Knavesmire Characteristics, the 50 things and our School Aims, which together complete our school's vision.

# 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>

## \*\*\* NEW SCHOOL EMAIL ADDRESS \*\*\*

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

## 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

# WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



## SCHOOL LIBRARY

Year 6 Library Assistants are now in the School Library 3.30 Mon-Thurs to help with all your borrowing needs.

The School Library is open for browsing every day from 3.15-3.30pm, and browsing, borrowing and reading from 3.30-4pm. It would be lovely to see you there!

Miss Smith



## 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](http://www.coolmilk.com/register)

## RE CURRICULUM

As part of our RE Curriculum, children learn about various world views, including global religions. We are always looking for opportunities to enrich our curriculum through visits, both in school and externally. On the 16th December, YOYO (a non-denominational, Christian charity) will be coming into school to share information about Christianity and Christmas; this will include an assembly and also some work with specific year groups. Next half term, we are planning for Imam Ammar to come into school and share information about Islam.

Please come and speak to us if you have any questions about it, Miss Coulson and Miss Parker.

## 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

YOUNG VOICES: A number of items of lost property have been found on the bus that was taken to Sheffield Arena. If anyone has lost something, please let us know so that we can try to reunite it.

The box for lost hats, gloves and scarves in the gazebo on the playground is overflowing... Please check it out for your missing items.

For valuables, please visit the Friends Of Knavesmire Facebook page and search #lostandfound <https://www.facebook.com/share/g/19oEC5BBmk/?mibextid=K35Xfp>

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

# 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



## 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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## 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

# TRIPS, ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCES

## Whole School

Parents Evening, 04/03/25 and 05/03/25 - See email sent 14/01/25. Appointments can be booked on our booking system at the link below. Booking opens at 10am on Tuesday 21/01/25 and closes at 11.55pm on Monday 03/03/25.  
<https://parents-booking.co.uk/knavesmire>

## Year 3

Swimming - The voluntary contribution is live on ParentPay.

## Year 4

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

## Year 5

Dance Festival Performances, 04/03/25 and 08/03/25 (optional) - Please see email sent today (17/01/25). 20 places available, sign up on ParentPay by **Thursday 23/01/25**. Children need to be able to attend both events to sign up.

Carlton Lodge - Please see email sent 08/10/24. The ParentPay item is live on ParentPay. The next payment is due by **30/01/25**. There will be a parent meeting on **Monday 10/02/25 at 3.25pm** in the Year 5 Classrooms. See email sent (10/01/25).

## Year 6

Barcelona 2025 - The payment plan is live on ParentPay. The next payment is due by **30/01/25**.

## School House

Panathlon at York High School, 23/01/25 - See email sent 14/01/25. Children should come to school in their school uniform. Children should bring their PE kit and a packed lunch for the trip. This trip has no impact on drop off or pick up times.

Everyman Cinema, 07/02/25 - See email sent 14/01/25. Children should come to school in their school uniform. Children should wear a coat and shoes appropriate for the weather. This trip has no impact on drop off or pick up times.

Inclusive Cycling, 24/02/25 - See email sent 14/01/25. Children should come to school in their school uniform. Children should wear trainers and bring a pack up for the trip. This trip has no impact on drop off or pick up times.

## Other

KS2 Choir - There will be no choir on Monday 20/01/25. Keep an eye out for further communications next week.

# 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. <a href="http://www.ignitesportscoaching.co.uk">www.ignitesportscoaching.co.uk</a> or email: <a href="mailto:info@ignitesportscoaching.co.uk">info@ignitesportscoaching.co.uk</a>                                       |
| 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 <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/fhfW6GHqax">https://forms.office.com/r/fhfW6GHqax</a> or for more info, email Miss Caroline: <a href="mailto:dancewithmisscaroline@outlook.com">dancewithmisscaroline@outlook.com</a> |
| 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: <a href="mailto:stuart@circusskillsyorkcic.org">stuart@circusskillsyorkcic.org</a> or go to the website: <a href="http://www.circusskillsyorkcic.org">www.circusskillsyorkcic.org</a>  |
| 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: <a href="http://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com">www.rocksteadymusicschool.com</a>   |
| 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: <a href="mailto:clare@clares-kitchen.co.uk">clare@clares-kitchen.co.uk</a>   |
| Chess Club               | This club is run on Tuesday and Thursdays after school for years 1,2 and 3. The clubs are run by Larry, a parent volunteer.   | Please see details below with sign up information.  |

## CLUB NEWS

### Knavesmire Chess Club - FREE

Knavesmire Chess Club is open to all levels and it is FREE. If you as a parent are interested and want to volunteer or 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/bpGkdwkVuSgcE6fD7>

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/kRfsNU4RBSvELeGz7>

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](mailto: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     | <a href="mailto:stevepowell726@gmail.com">stevepowell726@gmail.com</a>  |
| Piano      | Carolyn Amos     | <a href="mailto:carolynamos@hotmail.co.uk">carolynamos@hotmail.co.uk</a>  |
| Drums      | Alex Woolgar     | <a href="mailto:alexwoolgar1@gmail.com">alexwoolgar1@gmail.com</a>  |
| Singing    | Alison Pawley    | <a href="mailto:alisunr@yahoo.com">alisunr@yahoo.com</a>  |
| Violin     | Marcus Bousfield | <a href="mailto:marcus.bousfield@btinternet.com">marcus.bousfield@btinternet.com</a>  |
| Brass      | Andy Hillier     | <a href="https://yorkmusiced.org.uk/index.php/what-we-do/york-music-centre/enrolment-form">https://yorkmusiced.org.uk/index.php/what-we-do/york-music-centre/enrolment-form</a> |

## MUSIC NEWS

Please check back for updates



# KEY DATES



| YEAR             | DATE(S)   | ACTIVITY  |
|------------------|---|---|
| Nursery          |   |   |
| Reception        |   |   |
| Year 1           |   |   |
| Year 2           |   |   |
| Year 3           |   |   |
| Year 4           | 02/04/25<br>03/04/25<br>03/04/25<br>02/06/25 - 13/06/25<br>13/06/25<br>18/06/25 - 19/06/25<br>19/06/25 - 20/06/25 | Play performance 5:30 - 6:30<br>Play performance 1:30 - 2:20<br>Play performance 5:30 - 6:20<br>Multiplication Check<br>TT Rockstar Dress Up Day<br>Robin Hood's Bay Residential- Class tbc<br>Robin Hood's Bay Residential - Class tbc |
| Year 5           | 10/02/25<br>04/03/25<br>08/03/25<br>21/05/25 - 23/05/25   | Carlton Lodge Parent Meeting, 3.25pm<br>School Sports Partnership Dance Festival at York High School<br>Everybody Dance Festival at York Theatre Royal<br>Carlton Lodge Residential   |
| Year 6           | 13/02/25<br>10/03/25 - 14/03/25   | VE Day Celebration - Parents invited from 2.45<br>Barcelona Trip  |
| The School House | 23/01/25<br>07/02/25<br>24/02/25  | Panathlon AM at York High - PE Kit and pack up needed.<br>Everyman Cinema Trip.<br>Inclusive Cycling, Railway Institute. Trainers and pack up needed.   |
| Other            | 04/03/25<br>05/03/25  | Parents Evening, 4pm - 7.30pm. Booking opens at 10am on Tues 21/01/25.<br>Parents Evening, 3.30pm - 5.30pm. Booking opens at 10am on Tues 21/01/25.   |

# FRIENDS OF KNAVESMIRE UPDATE

We are looking forward to planning into 2025 and will update you with upcoming events as they arise.

Once again, thank you for all your ongoing support. It is greatly appreciated!



**Please consider a donation**



The Friends of Knavesmire are always appreciating donations to support the school and therewith all the children. So if you feel you can then please use this QR code to contribute. Any amount is welcome. Thank you.



Friends of Knavesmire Primary School

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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

## FEBRUARY HALF TERM

Bookings are now open for the February Half Term

If you would like to book spaces, please follow the instructions below.

## 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](mailto:knavesmire@childcarebookingsforschools.co.uk)

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

Lots more information is available on the school website [www.knavesmireprimary.co.uk/kckc](http://www.knavesmireprimary.co.uk/kckc)

## CLUB INFORMATION

### EMAIL ADDRESS

New Email Address - our email has changed to [coolkidsclub@knavesmire.elt.org.uk](mailto:coolkidsclub@knavesmire.elt.org.uk)

Please delete any other email addresses which you may have for KCKC.

### BREAKFAST CLUB

We serve Breakfast between 7.45am and 8.30am. If you require your child/children to have breakfast, please ensure that they are at KCKC no later than 8.20am.

### BIKES

Now that the evenings have drawn in, we advise Parents that bikes should be locked-up in the bike shed in the staff car park to the rear of school, so that they are easily accessible when collecting your child/children from KCKC in the evening.

### OUTSTANDING INVOICES

We note that there are a large number of outstanding invoices on ParentPay from before the change over to the new booking and payment system. Please can all Parents check their ParentPay accounts and pay any outstanding balances. If you believe that you have already paid by vouchers please can you provide KCKC with all the relevant information regarding payment, including voucher type, amount paid and date of payment.



# YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



## NURSERY MESSAGES

We have enjoyed beginning our new Big Idea in Nursery this week. We have been learning all about the job of a vet. Our role-play area has transformed into a bustling animal hospital, where we've been caring for a diverse range of furry and four-legged friends, from dogs to donkeys! During circle time we shared how to care for a pet and the pets we have at home.

Next week we will move our learning on to the police service and explore what job they do. We may even have a very special visitor!

In phonics we have been listening to words that begin with the 'p' sound and have sound-talked and blended CVC words starting with this sound.

Have a lovely weekend!

The Nursery Team 😊

## RECEPTION MESSAGES

Hello Reception!

We've had a fabulous week learning about the weather and the terrain in Antarctica, the ways in which you can travel there and have thought about what we would need to take with us!!

In Maths we've been learning more about numbers and specifically how to subitise using different props and materials.

In phonics we've been working on oo (both pronunciations) ar and or and we had a go at writing about a melted snowman in literacy!

The icy MUGA has meant we've had to postpone our football unit in PE but we're hoping it will go ahead next week!

Have a lovely weekend!

The Reception Team ❤️

## YEAR 1 MESSAGES

We have had another brilliant week working on our new Big Idea about toys! We have been writing about our favourite toys and we compared these to how toys looked in the past. Next week, we will be looking at the similarities and differences between how children play now and how they played in the past.

In English, we have done some more work on our poem about toys. We adapted the poem and wrote our own lines, making sure that they rhymed. In maths, we have been identifying numbers using pictures and we have been writing and reading numbers to 20.

We have started netball in PE and the children have been practising their passes and footwork. We have also had a lovely Forest School session making bird feeders.

We hope you have a lovely weekend,  
From the Year One team.

# YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



## YEAR 2 MESSAGES

Year 2 have had a fantastic week immersed in our Circus themed Big Idea. We have been working on our narrative skills with sequencing events in stories as well as checking our punctuation and vocabulary choices within our writing. Through Big Idea lessons, 2G had the wonderful opportunity to be part of a circus with our Theatre Workshop that 2S had the pleasure of experiencing last week - we always love having visitors in! We also learnt different languages as we looked at different circuses that were performed around the world. The children have worked incredibly hard with their Reading skills this week as we have continued to look at comprehension questions as well as inference skills. In Maths, our shape knowledge has progressed to now looking at 3D shapes. We are continuing to practise our arithmetic skills with expanded addition and our times tables knowledge. As a reminder, we aim for the children to be fluent with multiplication and division questions in their 2, 5 and 10 times tables by the end of year 2.

This half term, we will be enjoying some outdoor PE. Please ensure that your child brings in a suitable PE kit with optional layers.

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you for another busy week next week!

From the Year 2 team.

## YEAR 3 MESSAGES

Year 3 have had a brilliant week! In Writing, the children have learned about dormice, collected information about them, organised the information into a spider diagram and drafted a paragraph with a learning partner. In Maths, the children have continued to consolidate their knowledge of dividing on a numberline. In Big Idea, children have learned about the many creatures that live in our Earth's oceans and have begun to make their very own aquarium. In PE, the children have continued with their gymnastics unit and worked well in pairs to create a short floor routine. There have been some slight adjustments to the Year 3 timetable. Important changes include a PE lesson only on Wednesday afternoon (no longer a PE lesson on Friday afternoon), times table/ spelling quizzes will take place on a Thursday morning (rather than on a Friday morning) and children will be given new homework on Thursday. If you have any questions or queries about anything at all, please don't hesitate to speak to a member of the Year 3 Team.

We hope you have a wonderful weekend!  
The Year 3 Team

## YEAR 4 MESSAGES

This week, we have continued our 'What does it take to become a game developer?' Big Idea. As well as using Canva to create video game posters, we have explored the differing sounds used in video games and investigated how sound is made. This theme has carried over to English, where we tried our hands at Pac Man, before writing a user-friendly set of instructions with our (now) expert knowledge of 'How to Boss at Pac Man'!

In Maths, we have refreshed our knowledge of column multiplication and bus stop methods, as well as solved word problems.

Have a lovely weekend

# YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



## YEAR 5 MESSAGES

This week, we have had a big focus on deforestation and how it is impacting the Amazon Rainforest. In Big Idea, we have narrowed our focus on how human actions are affecting physical features of rainforests and created a piece of artwork to display the message 'If we do not adapt, what are the outcomes for the world and rainforests.' Both classes have produced amazing pieces of artwork which we will add colour to next week. In Writing, we have started to write a persuasive letter to either stop or carry on with deforestation depending what perspective the children chose to write from. In Maths, we have started short division and this is a topic we will continue next week. Our spelling test next week will be focused on homophones and our focus for times tables will be our 9s.

Have a lovely weekend,

The Year 5 Team.

## YEAR 6 MESSAGES

We have really been enjoying learning about The Battle of the Bulge this week and have been writing our narratives to retell the story of two soldiers.

On Thursday, we had an amazing time at the Yorkshire Air Museum! The children became paratroopers, looked at the iconic aircraft from WW2 and learnt what life was like for children during the war. The children represented themselves and Knavesmire wonderfully (the museum sent the Year 6 staff an email saying how they loved having them at the museum!)

On Thursday 13th February Year 6 will be hosting their VE Day celebration. Parents are invited to celebrate with us and celebrations will begin at 2.45pm. Children are welcome to dress up in WW2 attire on Thursday 13th February. Have a lovely weekend.

The Year 6 Team

## THE SCHOOL HOUSE MESSAGES

This week, we have had a fun filled in the School House!

In Maths, we have learnt how to use column addition .

In English, we have looked at how to use present tense, descriptive language and subheadings.

In Big Idea, we have been learning all about decades and how to order them chronologically. We really enjoyed placing Disney films into chronological order using a timeline.

Next Thursday, we will be taking part in a panathlon at York High. Please could all children bring in a water bottle, pack up and their PE kit.

Have a lovely weekend!

School House Team :)

# COMMUNITY MESSAGES

*Cool Milk*  
**Free & Subsidised**  
**SCHOOL MILK**  
Register your child today!  
[www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com)

## Is your child registered for **SCHOOL MILK?**

**Child**  
**UNDER 5**

Every child under the age of five is entitled to free school milk. Simply register your child online.



**Child**  
**OVER 5**

Every child over the age of five is entitled to milk at a subsidised cost of around £20 per term. Register your child and pay online.

Children in receipt of benefits-based free school meals are eligible for free school milk. Speak to the school for further information.

Free milk for under 5s is funded by the Department of Health and milk for over 5s is subsidised by DEFRA.

## **REGISTER YOUR CHILD TODAY**

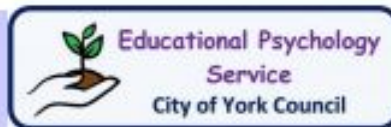
Register online  
[www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com)



Need help?  
Send us a message  
at [www.coolmilk.com/contact](http://www.coolmilk.com/contact)  
or give us a call on **0800 321 3248**



# 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](mailto: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 25<sup>th</sup> 2024  
October 23<sup>rd</sup> 2024  
November 27<sup>th</sup> 2024  
December 18<sup>th</sup> 2024  
January 29<sup>th</sup> 2025  
February 26<sup>th</sup> 2025  
March 26<sup>th</sup> 2025  
April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025  
May 21<sup>st</sup> 2025  
June 25<sup>th</sup> 2025  
July 16<sup>th</sup> 2025

# COMMUNITY MESSAGES

## Clare's Kitchen Baking Club @ Knavesmire Primary Free Taster Session For Year Groups 5 & 6

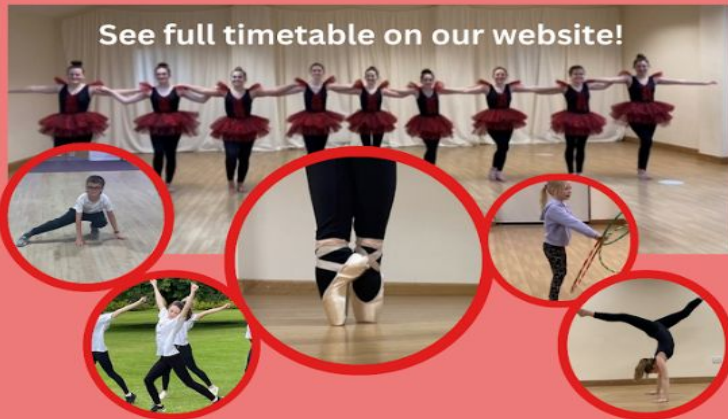


**Baking Club** runs on a Friday after school until 5.30pm. Our team of little chefs plan, prepare and bake their own food. We do all kinds of recipes from pizzas to gingerbread. We are offering a **Free Taster Session** this term to Year groups 5 & 6 on a first come first served basis. To redeem this invite, contact Clare at [clare@clares-kitchen.co.uk](mailto:clare@clares-kitchen.co.uk) or whatsapp 07813182216. You will simply need to complete a booking form! This offer is only for those pupils who have not previously attended Clare's Kitchen.

Clare's Kitchen has been delivering Cookery Clubs in schools since it was founded by Clare in 2014. See us in action on social media;

Facebook <http://facebook.com/clareskitchenyork>  
Instagram @clareskitchenyork

See full timetable on our website!



## DANCE AND PERFORMING ARTS CLASSES!

**SPECIAL OFFER FOR KNAVESMIRE STUDENTS -  
TWO WEEKS' FREE TRIAL IN ALL LESSONS!!!**

BALLET - TAP - JAZZ - CONTEMPORARY - FREESTYLE -  
STREETDANCE - MUSICAL THEATRE - ACRO

QUALIFIED IDTA TEACHERS - PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES -  
GRADES AND MEDALS - FOR AGES 4+ - ALL CHILDREN WELCOME.

**Derwent  
Danceworks**

[derwenddanceworks@hotmail.com](mailto:derwenddanceworks@hotmail.com)



[DERWENTDANCE.CO.UK](http://DERWENTDANCE.CO.UK)

**IDTA**



## SPRING TERM SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS!

CLICK THIS LINK

[IGNITESPORTSCOACHING.CO.UK](http://IGNITESPORTSCOACHING.CO.UK)

TO SEE WHAT CLUBS WE ARE  
RUNNING THIS TERM!



CHILDCARE VOUCHERS AND TAX-FREE CHILDCARE ARE ACCEPTED!

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**SCHOOL  
TICKET OFFER**

**B. BRAUN SHEFFIELD SHARKS  
v MANCHESTER BASKETBALL**

**WED 12th FEB - 7:30PM**  
**@ CANON MEDICAL ARENA**

**£5**



### SHARKS SCHOOL OFFER

Please use the link below and enter the code provided:

[https://app.fanbaseclub.com/Fan/Tickets/SelectType?fixtureId=8733&mc\\_cid=3197377fa3&mc\\_eid=e5cd69baf0](https://app.fanbaseclub.com/Fan/Tickets/SelectType?fixtureId=8733&mc_cid=3197377fa3&mc_eid=e5cd69baf0)

**Date:** Wednesday, 12th February

**Time:** 7:30 PM

**Venue:** Canon Medical Arena, Sheffield

**Matchup:** Sheffield Sharks vs. Manchester Basketball

**Special Offer:**

Students and parents can grab tickets for just **£5 each!**

#### How to Claim:

1. Visit: [Sheffield Sharks Tickets](#)
2. Enter the promo code **12FEB** at checkout.

**Hurry – Limited Tickets Available!**

This offer won't last long, so secure your seats today and be part of the excitement! Bring your energy and cheer on the Sharks as they light up the court! 🏀

#### Got Questions?

Feel free to contact Claire Ellicott at [claire.ellicott@thesheffieldsharks.com](mailto:claire.ellicott@thesheffieldsharks.com) for assistance.

We look forward to welcoming you to an evening filled with action, fun, and memories to last a lifetime!

P.S. Make it a school night your students and their families will never forget—spread the word about this amazing offer!

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**LIMITED TIME OFFER**

**PRE-SCHOOL, JUNIOR & ADULT**

**50% OFF JANUARY SALE**

**& A FREE WELCOME PACK WORTH £20**

**USE CODE: JAN25**

**SWIMMING LESSONS**

**YORK Swimming Academy**

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## YorKAOS

York Kids Art Open Studios

Are you a young artist from York?

Are you primary school age?

Submit your artwork to YorKAOS

Go to our website to join the exhibition

[www.yorkaos.art](http://www.yorkaos.art)

We'd love to see your  
painting / drawing / digital-art  
photography / collage / video / sculpture



We are Ada, Henrik, Seth and Mabel  
We want to show the artwork of  
kids our age to the  
wider York community  
during February half-term 2025  
at **SPARK\***



Fundraising for  
**CHILDREN IN NEED** and **St Leonard's Hospice**



**HEY KIDS, DO YOU LOVE MOVIES?  
IF SO WE WANT TO HEAR  
FROM YOU!**

ITV's hit kids' show, Mini Movies, is returning for series 2 and we're looking for movie-loving kids to take part.

You could star in exciting video clips full of visual effects, pitch your own movie ideas, create amazing animations and show off your costume skills!

If you'd like to get involved, ask your parent or guardian to email...

[casting@thechancercollective.com](mailto:casting@thechancercollective.com)

After that you'll receive further information on how to apply. Be quick though, as spaces are filling up!

**CHECK OUT MINI MOVIES SERIES ONE ON ITVX  
TO SEE WHAT KIDS GOT UP TO LAST TIME!**

[HTTPS://THPSNETBALLCLUB.CARRD.CO/](https://thpsnetballclub.carrd.co/)

## SHOOTING STARS NETBALL TRAINING



Weekly inclusive indoor netball training for years 3-5 followed by years 6-8 this spring term, led by Ben Orton and Miss Richardson! Hone your skills and be match sharp!

| BEGINS:          | LOCATION:                                | TIME:                                  |
|------------------|--|--|
| JAN 13th<br>2025 | TERRINGTON<br>HALL SCHOOL<br>SPORTS HALL | Y3-5: 6.00-7.00pm<br>Y6-8: 7.10-8.10pm |



**BOOK ON:** <https://bit.ly/THPSNetballClubBookingForm>  
OR 07538508923

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www.parentcarerforumyork.org 18 January 2025

**Parent Carer Forum York**

## NEWS LETTER

Connect@pcforyork.co.uk

### Coffee Mornings

**Thursday 23 January 2025**  
10:30 - 12:30 am  
**Acomb Explore**

**Monday 27 January 2025**  
10.30 - 12.30 am  
**YHA, Clifton**

Meet other parents and carers who share your lived experience. Swap tips, offload, get updates or share without judgement.

The first hot drink is on us as a thank you for allowing us to use your experience to inform our work with education, health and social care on parent carer voice.

We'll be easy to recognise with the table top sign. All are very welcome but if it's your first time and you would like to meet someone first, email Mary: connect@pcforyork.co.uk

### Save the Date

**PCF York Annual Conference 2025**

**Wednesday 26 February 2025**  
10 am - 2 pm  
**Delta Hotels, Marriott, York**

Booking and further details via Eventbrite will be available soon.

### Listening Event

**SEND Strategy with Maxine Squire**

**Wednesday 29 January 2025**  
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
**Online**

This online event is a conversation with Maxine Squire, Assistant Director, Education and Skills. Maxine would like to consult with parent carers, using their lived experience to inform the SEND strategy for York. Email Mary: connect@pcforyork.co.uk for the meeting link.

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### YORK SENDIASS

Our aim for the beginning of 2025 is to ask parents and carers, young people and professionals what they would like us to offer, so we can focus on what is important to local families and see how we can accommodate people's needs in response to feedback.

Some of our ideas for improving our services include:

- Monthly drop-in clinics at locations across the city.
- Virtual drop-ins, so people can meet online.
- These would be specifically for parents and carers, potentially with a separate session for young people.
- A virtual session for professionals or anyone supporting a family with SEND.

We need your help to understand what would benefit parents and carers with children and young people with SEND, given we are such a small team regarding offering information, advice, and support. Please follow our new Facebook page, [York SEND Information, Advice and Support Service](#), to stay updated with our service and to be notified of opportunities to help us shape our service.

Thank you for all your support for this new year ahead.  
Best wishes from,  
Melanie, Elizabeth and Sarah  
**York SENDIASS**

### York Carers Centre

Free Support for Unpaid Carers

## LOVE January Mindfulness

**Tuesday 28 January 2025**  
10.30 - 12.30am  
**Friends Meeting House, Friargate**

Join us for a relaxing morning dedicated to self-care. Learn simple, practical techniques that you can easily incorporate into your daily routine to improve your well-being. No prior experience is needed. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy a mindful, peaceful morning. Mindfulness for carers is facilitated by Ali Gear, Mindfulness Association.

To book please contact [York Carers Centre](#):  
enquires@yorkcarerscentre.co.uk  
01904 715 490.

www.parentcarerforumyork.org www.facebook.com/groups/pcforyork connect@pcforyork.co.uk

**STUDY SMART** Free Online Courses

aspire Education ncfef cache Education & Skills Funding Agency

## Fully Funded School Support Course

Available in Levels 1, 2 & 3

\*Please go to our website for more detailed information.

**6 Week Course**  
**Mon - Fri**  
**Daily sessions**  
**1st session 9:30 - 11:30am**  
**2nd session 12:30 - 2pm**

[www.studysmartuk.online](http://www.studysmartuk.online)

Available in the following levels:

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| Level 1: | CACHE Level 1 Award in Preparing to Work in Schools                |
|          | CACHE Level 1 Award in Safeguarding in a Learning Environment      |
|          | CACHE Level 1 Certificate in Wellbeing                             |
|          | Level 1 Occupational Studies for the Workplace                     |
| Level 2: | CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Safeguarding & Prevent  |
|          | 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.