

# Knavesmire Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 2nd May 2025

### Mr Cooper and Mr Gardiner's Message

Happy Friday and Bank Holiday Weekend!

We hope you have had a great week and enjoyed the sun.

We had the pleasure of again welcoming a coach from York City Knights to work with our Year 5 pupils on Tuesday and, yesterday, some of our Year 4 children participated in an Active Afternoon at York High. Sporty and Healthy are two of the Knavesmire Characteristics and always are top of the agenda.

The coming weeks are busy and exciting. Children will be learning, having fun and making progress right up until the last day of term - Summer term is where a lot of the hard work comes together and also there are some fantastic opportunities to enjoy visits and trips. Because of this, attendance continues to be so important. Overall, our school attendance is strong and we really appreciate your support with this.

Have a good weekend.

Mr Cooper and Mr Gardiner



### 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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# 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

If you are not currently in receipt of these benefits, but would like to be, please contact the school office. We will ask you to complete a google form so we can collect relevant information and 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.

### REPORTING ABSENCE & SICKNESS PROCEDURE

If your child is poorly, please contact the office by email or phone before the start of the school day at 8.50am: [admin@knavesmire.elc.org.uk](mailto:admin@knavesmire.elc.org.uk)

Please note that if your child has **sickness or diarrhoea** they cannot return until 48 hours from the last episode.

For **chicken pox** - all spots must have crusted over. If in doubt, please call us for guidance!

# WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



## SCHOOL LIBRARY

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.fundaiserecycleltd.co.uk/bank?bankId=KnavesmirePrimary-School>

Please use the facility to donate any unwanted clothes.

## SCHOOL MILK

If you want to register your child for school milk, simply visit [www.coolmilk.com/register](http://www.coolmilk.com/register)

## REFUGEE COLLECTION

Refugee Action York can take donations again! They are looking for good quality washed clothes, new underwear and toiletries. Men's clothes are always in demand. Please drop off any items on the window sill in the office foyer. Thank you very much!

## HEALTH AND WELLBEING

### NITS

**We are experiencing a resurgence in nits in the school, particularly in Y1.** Do 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

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

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

Check the Friends of Knavesmire Facebook page to view any valuable #lostandfound items.  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/140233959376362/permalink/6818721288194229/>



# NUT & SESAME FREE SCHOOL



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

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

**Please do not bring any nut or sesame products into school.**



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



# WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



## SEN COFFEE MORNING

Miss Gilligan, our SENCO, would like to invite all parents to our SEN coffee morning. This is an informal chance to meet other members of the Knavesmire community and to find out more about what support is available for you and your family.

Our coffee morning will take place on Friday 9th May 9am-10am, in the hall. A member of staff will be waiting outside the hall doors at 9am to welcome you in.

Our coffee cart will be set up to offer a range of hot drinks and treats. We will also gladly welcome any cakes!

We have different agencies and charities joining us including Millthorpe SENCO, York Family Information Services, York Inspirational Kids, York City FC, York St Johns and our School Wellbeing Services.

Please email [e.gilligan@knavesmire.elt.org.uk](mailto:e.gilligan@knavesmire.elt.org.uk) to confirm your attendance.



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Please email [e.gilligan@knavesmire.elt.org.uk](mailto:e.gilligan@knavesmire.elt.org.uk) to confirm your attendance.

### Guests will include:

#### York Family information Services

A free and impartial information service for parents and carers of children and young people aged 0 to 19.

#### Raise York (Family Hub Network)

Designed to support parents, carers, children, young people and anyone who works with children, young people and families.

#### Accessible Arts & Media

Inclusive creative learning & wellbeing activities in and around York.

#### Jo Bryenton – Makaton Tutor

Makaton tutor in York with a daughter with Down Syndrome.

#### York Inspirational Kids

Offers support, friendship, activities, training and outings for parents, families of children with a disability and/or additional needs living in the York area.

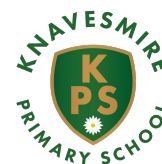
#### My Sight York

A local independent charity supporting local people to live well with sight loss.

York Disability Rights Forum, Young Carers, ELT SEN Director, School Wellbeing Service, Knavesmire Pupil Mentor, Millthorpe Secondary School and more.



# 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

## Year 1

**Harlow Carr Trip, 07/05/25** - See email sent 31/01/25. Children should come to school in their school uniform and bring a packed lunch. Children should wear a coat and shoes appropriate for the weather. This trip has no impact on drop off or pick up times.

## Year 2

**Scarborough Trip, 19/05/25** - See email sent 02/04/25. Children should come to school in their school uniform. Children should wear a coat and shoes appropriate for the weather and sun cream/sun hat if the weather is sunny. This trip has no impact on drop off or pick up times. All children need to bring a packed lunch and filled water bottle.

## Year 3

**Swimming** - The voluntary contribution is live on ParentPay.

**Eureka Trip 07/05/25** - See email sent 07/02/25. Children should arrive at school at 8.30am in their school uniform and with a packed lunch. Children should wear a coat and shoes appropriate for the weather. Pick up time is approx 3.45pm (traffic dependant).

**Pedestrian Training 13/05/25** - See email sent 22/04/25. There is no change to drop off, pick up times or lunches. Children should wear shoes and a coat appropriate for the weather on the day. As this training takes place within school time in the local area we do not require you to give additional consent for your child to take part.

**Mini Triathlon, 21/05/25** - See email sent today (02/05/25). **Please complete the consent on ParentPay by Thursday 08/05/25.** Children will need to come to school with their swimwear under sports clothing (T-shirt, shorts/tracksuit bottoms and trainers). They will also need a towel and a spare set of sports clothing in a rucksack to change into after the event. Children can bring swimming goggles if they wish. Children should come to school with long hair tied back. Earrings will need to be removed either before we leave for the event or before arriving at school if your child cannot remove these themselves. Children will need a packed lunch which we will eat in class before we leave, along with a filled water bottle. Children are also welcome to bring additional snacks for the trip. This trip has no impact on drop off or pick up times.

## Year 4

**Robin Hood's Bay** - See information sent 25/04/25. **The deadline to complete google forms was yesterday. We are still missing some completed forms so if you have not yet done this, please do so ASAP.**

**Pedestrian Training 24/06/25** - See email sent 22/04/25. There is no change to drop off, pick up times or lunches. Children should wear shoes and a coat appropriate for the weather on the day. As this training takes place within school time in the local area we do not require you to give additional consent for your child to take part.

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# **(Cont..) TRIPS, ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCES**

## **Year 5**

**Local Area Trip, 08/05/25** - See email sent today (02/05/25). Children should come to school in their school uniform. Children should wear a coat and shoes appropriate for the weather. Children should bring a snack and water bottle to take on the trip. There is no change to drop off, pick up or lunch times.

**Carlton Lodge** - The final payment was due by 30/04/25. We are still missing some payments. If you have not paid the full balance please make the payments ASAP or contact Ella Kenyon in the school office to discuss an alternative payment plan.

**Trust Arts Fest, 25/06/25 (All of Y5)** - See email sent 04/04/25. Please can **all parents** complete a google form (link in email) confirming whether or not they give consent for their child to take part **by Friday 16/05/25**.

<https://forms.gle/eUrfdULr7Hai6kGw6>

Children should come to school at normal time wearing school uniform. Children should bring 2 packed lunches and a filled water bottle. Collection either from York University at the end of the performance or from School - whichever you have indicated on the google form.

## **Year 6**

**National Railway Museum Trip, 19/06/25** - See email sent today (02/05/25). Please complete the consent on ParentPay by Monday 12/05/25. 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. Children need to bring a packed lunch and a filled water bottle for the trip.

**Treat Day Trip to Hollywood Bowl, 10/07/25** - See email sent today (02/05/25). Please complete the consent and meal choice on ParentPay by Monday 12/05/25. Children should come to school in their school uniform. Children should wear trainers or plimsolls (suitable for bowling in). This trip has no impact on drop off or pick up times. Lunch is provided as part of the trip.

**Crucial Crew Trip, 17/07/25** - See email sent today (02/05/25). Please complete the consent on ParentPay by Monday 12/05/25. 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. Children need to bring a packed lunch and a filled water bottle for the trip. Children will eat their packed lunches in school on their return.

## **School House**

**Cannon Hall Farm Trip, 06/05/25** - Please see email sent 01/04/25. Children need to bring a packed lunch and a filled water bottle. Children should come to school in their own clothes (not 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.

## **Other**

**Trust Arts Fest, 25/06/25 (All of Y5 & invited Y6)** - See email sent 04/04/25. Please can parents complete a google form (link in email) confirming whether or not they give consent for their child to take part **by Friday 16/05/25**. Children should come to school at normal time wearing school uniform. Children should bring 2 packed lunches and a filled water bottle. Collection either from York University at the end of the performance or from School - whichever you have indicated on the google form.

**MAT Sports Fest, 09/07/25** - Please see email sent today to 12 children in Years 2, 4 and 6. Please complete the google form (link in email) by 16/05/25. Children should arrive in school wearing their PE kit. They should bring a named rucksack containing a filled water bottle, a packed lunch, sun cream and a sun hat.



# 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 Wednesday and Thursday lunchtime.	To sign up for these sessions please follow this link <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/UEgRPhRhcX">https://forms.office.com/r/UEgRPhRhcX</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 Monday 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 and Friday. 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 Tuesdays 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

**Circus Skills** - Please note that Circus Skills is moving to Monday lunchtimes from next term.

**Knivesmire Chess Club - FREE** - Knivesmire 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

### New Songs

You might have seen before the holidays that we shared the songs that the whole school have begun to learn in Music. Some children have asked that I share them again so they can ask you to play them at home. We'll add more songs here in the coming weeks.

This Is Me

[https://youtu.be/5J29YsEfYlo?si=ak8g1\\_37O63ZT-kd](https://youtu.be/5J29YsEfYlo?si=ak8g1_37O63ZT-kd)

Sing

[https://youtu.be/b5l\\_t1TzQhw?si=6Pq40BqT8cvJBx\\_\\_](https://youtu.be/b5l_t1TzQhw?si=6Pq40BqT8cvJBx__)

# KEY DATES



YEAR	DATE(S)	ACTIVITY
<b>Nursery</b>		
<b>Reception</b>		
<b>Year 1</b>	07/05/25	Harlow Carr Trip
<b>Year 2</b>	08/05/25 15/05/25 19/05/25	Forest School Forest School Scarborough Trip
<b>Year 3</b>	07/05/25 13/05/25	Eureka Trip (Drop off at 8.30pm, pick up at 3.45pm traffic dependant) Pedestrian Training
<b>Year 4</b>	02/06/25 - 13/06/25 13/06/25 18/06/25 - 19/06/25 19/06/25 - 20/06/25 24/06/25	Multiplication Check TT Rockstar Dress Up Day Robin Hood's Bay Residential- 4R Robin Hood's Bay Residential - 4GH Pedestrian Training
<b>Year 5</b>	08/05/25 21/05/25 - 23/05/25 25/06/25 07/07/25	AM fieldwork trip to Rowntree Park & Bishopthorpe Road Carlton Lodge Residential MAT Arts Fest (Parents can attend performance at 6.30pm) French café day at Millthorpe - details to follow
<b>Year 6</b>	19/06/25 25/06/25  10/07/25 15/07/25 16/07/25 17/07/25 17/07/25	National Railway Museum Trip MAT Arts Fest (Invited Y6 children for choir)- Parents can attend performance at 6.30pm. Treat Day Trip 6pm - Year 6 Play (more info to follow soon) 1.30 and 6pm - Year 6 Play (more info to follow soon) Crucial Crew Trip 5-6.30pm - Y6 Graduation (Parents invited to attend, more info to follow soon).
<b>The School House</b>	06/05/25	Cannon Hall Farm Trip
<b>Other</b>	09/05/25 07/06/25 25/06/25  27/06/25 (04/07/25) 09/07/25	SEN Coffee Morning 9-10am Samba Band at York Pride March MAT Arts Fest for all of Y5 and MAT Choir (Parents can attend performance at 6.30pm) 4.30-6pm, Whole School Sports Evening, Little Knavesmire (more info to follow). (4.30-6pm, Whole School Sports Evening backup date in case rained off.) MAT Sports Fest (Invited children in Years 2, 4 and 6)

# FRIENDS OF KNAVESMIRE UPDATE

Thanks to the enthusiastic and artistic bakers who entered the first half of this year's Knavesmire Bake Off yesterday. Your cakes were stunning and tasted even better. The first three winners are:

Ted M. (Reception)  
Lyndon H. (Year 5)  
Lenny B. (Year 6)

We will hand out ALL the prizes once both Bake Off rounds have been done. Thank you for your understanding and most importantly your patience. And of course thanks to everyone who bought a cake and to the members of staff as well as the Year 6ers who helped. We really appreciate your support.

Next Thursday, it'll be the turn of Year 1 to 4 to show their ideas and amaze everyone with their bakes. So please bring in your creations on the day and drop them off at reception. And please be reminded that everything has to be nut free. All cakes will be sold right after school.

We will also again set up a separate stall inside to allow the children who attend Kids Club to buy some cake if they like. So please remember to bring in some money on this day so that your child can buy a cake if they like.

Have a good bank holiday weekend everyone!



**1 MAY 2025:**  
Nursery, Reception, Years 5 & 6

**8 MAY 2025:** Years 1 - 4

Theme: SPACE



**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

## \*\*\*BOOKINGS FOR MAY HALF TERM ARE NOW LIVE THROUGH CHILDCARE BOOKINGS FOR SCHOOLS\*\*\*

### 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.elc.org.uk](mailto:coolkidsclub@knavesmire.elc.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 began our new Big Idea and read the story 'What the Ladybird Heard'. We then got creative and made ladybirds using paper plates! This led to lots of maths discussion, counting out spots and making sure our ladybirds wings are symmetrical.

In PE on Monday afternoon we joined the rest of the school, completing the Mini Marathon. The children did so well in the hot weather, running around the MUGA. We watched some clips of the London Marathon and discussed how to look after our bodies after exercise.

We also enjoyed a Forest School session this week. We had to show lots of team work and collaboration skills as we worked in pairs to carry large sticks to then build a den.

Have a lovely weekend!  
The Nursery Team ❤️

## RECEPTION MESSAGES

Hello Reception!  
We've had wonderful week in the sunshine!

In phonics we've been looking at more adjacent consonants and working on segmenting them for spelling. Everyone wrote a set of instructions in literacy to plant and grow a seed in a greenhouse and did a great job!

In maths we're looking at the composition of teen numbers and identifying them. We carried out 2 rainbow experiments this week as part of our Super Science Big Idea, the children loved making predictions and then watching their rainbows form!

In PE they have continued with netball and are enjoying building on their skills.

We hope you all have a fabulous long weekend and we'll see you next week!

## YEAR 1 MESSAGES

This week, we have identified the parts of a tree and labelled them. We have also found out how plants grow and what they need to stay healthy. Next week it is our trip to Harlow Carr and we hope to use this opportunity to spot many different types of plants and trees. In preparation for our trip, please make sure your child has a packed lunch (unless you have ordered one through school), a drink, a coat and are wearing suitable shoes for walking around the gardens. Children need to wear their school uniform.

In English we have learnt how to add extra information to our recount writing to make it more interesting and in Maths we have begun to work on repeated addition. Thank you for continuing to support your child by reading regularly at home. It is great to award so many stickers each week for super reading effort and it really helps everyone prepare for the Phonics Screening taking place in June.

Have a great bank holiday weekend, from the Year One team.

# YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



## YEAR 2 MESSAGES

Year 2 have had an incredible week in the sunshine! In Maths, we have moved onto telling time - a skill which we know is not the easiest for all children but something that we will keep revisiting. The children have done an amazing job so far and they are loving asking about the times in our school day. We have looked closely at our 5 x tables to help with the minute intervals on a clock. In English, the children have been looking at the features of discussion texts and making sure that any arguments are balanced. We will continue to do this next week as we look to write our own examples. We have also looked at using apostrophes for contraction in our SPaG lessons. Our Forest School adventure has continued and we have been loving learning outside of the classroom. This week we created some Forest School Art in the shade - it was a gorgeous session. During our other Big Idea sessions, we have looked at more Geography skills with Human and Physical features of the coast. As a reminder, we are outside for PE with our Tennis lessons so please make sure that the children have appropriate clothing in school.

Enjoy the bank holiday weekend and we will see you on Tuesday!  
From the Year 2 team!

## YEAR 3 MESSAGES

Year 3 have had a wonderful, sunny week! In Writing, they've continued with their unit on non-chronological reports, working towards writing their very own report all about The Human Body. In Maths, the children have continued with fractions, focusing particularly on unit and non-unit fractions as well as equivalent fractions. In Big Idea, the children have learned about the digestive system and how muscles work in the body. In PE, the children enjoyed running the Golden Mile, which coincided with taking part in running the 'Mini London Marathon'.

This week's homework is:

Maths - Fractions on my maths (2 tasks)

Spelling - -er, -ed and -ing suffixes on paper.

If you have any other 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 lovely, long weekend!  
The Year 3 Team.

## YEAR 4 MESSAGES

In Year Four, we have continued our journey through Ancient Rome, and have learned all about Mount Vesuvius and what causes a volcano to erupt. The children particularly enjoyed making colourful models of the cross-section of the earth, labelling the different layers.

Maths has continued to focus on decimals, where we have converted fractions to decimals and decimals to fraction. We are doing frequent times tables practice as the multiplication check after half term draws closer.

In English, we read the story, "Escape from Pompeii", which focussed on the characters Livia and Tranio on the day of Mount Vesuvius' eruption in 79AD. The children have watched us model diary entries from Livia, and have begun to write their own diary entries from Tranio's point of view.

Need to know:

As the multiplication check after half term is getting closer, please could we ask you to encourage the children in their times tables practise at home, particularly focussing on the times tables which they find difficult.

Please could you share any photos you have from the Hoodwinked play, as we would like to create a corridor display showcasing your children's wonderful performances.

# YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



## YEAR 5 MESSAGES

Year 5 have had a very scientific week continuing with their Big Idea - To be adventurers. They have learnt about Jacques Cousteau and how underwater explorers use filtration, evaporation and sieving to purify water. They also learnt about Yuri Gagarin and how astronauts have to use specific materials based on material properties for their kit.

In writing, they have continued their work looking at Shackleton and his journey to Antarctica by reading the book Shackleton's Journey. Their contributions during their writing lessons have been fantastic using great justifications for their opinions about Shackleton and his decisions.

In maths, they have developed their knowledge on angles before next week they learn how to draw angles.

Next Thursday, we will be going on a fieldwork trip to Bishopthorpe Road and Rowntree Park to draw a sketch map. The children have chosen 10 spellings to practise for next week's spelling test which are in their homework book.

Have a lovely weekend,

The Year 5 Team.

## YEAR 6 MESSAGES

Year 6 have been working incredibly hard on the build-up to SATs and are all incredibly excited about the prospect of toast every morning! We have also been getting to grips with rounders in PE and have been continuing our work on our self portraits in Big Idea lessons.

Please keep an eye out for a separate letter regarding specific information for SATS week (which will take place the week beginning the 12th May).

Thank you for all of your support this term and have a wonderful bank holiday weekend,

The Year 6 Team

## THE SCHOOL HOUSE MESSAGES

This week, we have had a busy and sunny week in the school house.

In Maths, we have been learning more about fractions including how to find equivalent fractions, how to add fractions and how to subtract fractions.

In English, we have been learning all about persuasive and descriptive language. We have also started to draft our persuasive leaflets to Mr Cooper to ask if he can book Cannon Hall farm for our next trip!

In Big Idea, we have been learning all about food chains and where food comes from.

Next Tuesday, we have our trip to Cannon Hall Farm. This will take place during normal school hours. Children will need a water bottle, snack and packed lunch. We have also said that children can wear their own clothes for the day.

Have a lovely weekend everyone,  
We hope to see you at our SEN coffee morning next Friday morning.

School House Team.



# YEAR 6 TRANSITION INFORMATION



FULFORD SCHOOL

**SCHOOLSHOP**

**2 Exclusive Uniform Sizing Days for Year 7 pupils starting at Fulford School in September**

You can also bring any siblings currently at the school

**New Year 7 Grey Tie NOW IN STOCK**

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to secure your slot

**SATURDAY SATURDAY**  
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## COMMUNITY MESSAGES



## 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.



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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.

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## 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"

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

"I felt really  
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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

Leeds and Bradford Triathlon Club

## JUNIOR AQUATHLON

**Sunday 1st June**

The Edge – Leeds University

**ALL abilities welcomed and indeed encouraged**

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Closed running course set within the University grounds

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- **TriStar 2** (11-12 years) – 250m Swim & 1800m Run
- **TriStar 3** (13-14 years) – 400m Swim & 3000m Run
- **Youth** (15-16 years) – 400m & 3000m Run
- **Junior B** (17-18 YRS) – 400m Swim & 3000m Run

Note: Ages are as of December 31st 2025.

This event always sells out each year

so [Book Here](#)

<https://lbt.org.uk/junior-aquathlon/>

or just google or scan the QR code

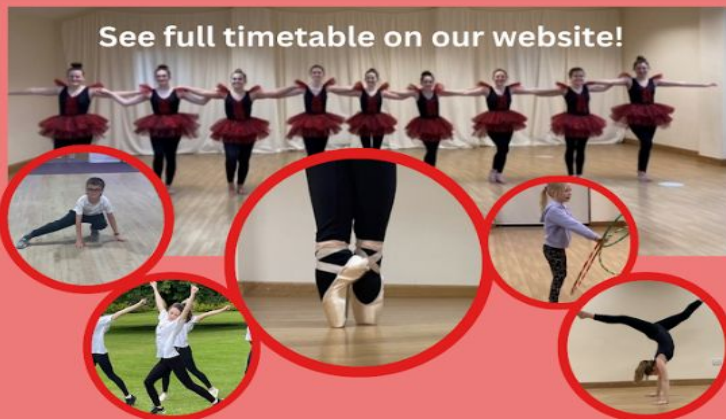


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[DERWENTDANCE.CO.UK](http://DERWENTDANCE.CO.UK)

**IDTA**

## ROWNTREE PARK TENNIS CLUB

SPRING PROGRAMME OF TENNIS  
COACHING SESSIONS WITH OUR  
LTA COACH JILL LE PLA



- Every **Monday** from 3.3.25 - **Junior** sessions  
Red group (3.45pm- 4.45pm), ages 5-7  
Orange group (4.45pm - 5.45pm), ages 8-11
- Every **Saturday** from 1.3.25 - **Beginner Adult**  
(Tennis Express) session (9am-10am) 6 WEEK  
COURSE
- Every **Saturday** from 1.3.25 - **Improvers**  
session (10am-11am). PAY and PLAY
- Every **Saturday** from 1.3.25 - **Intermediates**  
session (11am-12noon) PAY and PLAY
- Every **Tuesday** from 4.3.25 **CARDIO** tennis  
session (9.30am -10.30am) PAY AND PLAY

For full details of courses including prices and  
booking options, please scan the QR Code or  
search for 'Rowntree Park Tennis Club/Coaching'

For enquiries, please contact Jill Le Pla on  
07531 598 512 or [jlptenniscoaching@gmail.com](mailto:jlptenniscoaching@gmail.com)





# COMMUNITY MESSAGES



## York Health and Arts Mela

**Sunday 11th May 2025, 10am to 5pm**

York Museum Gardens, Main Lawn YO1 7FR & Exhibition Square, YO1 7EW. The nearest car park is Marygate, YO30 7DT.

Join our award-winning vibrant Multi-Cultural celebration of Healthcare, Wellbeing, Arts, Diverse Food, Entertainment, Awareness and much more...

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## BOLLYWOOD CRUISE ON THE RIVER OUSE

**Saturday 28 June 2025**

*Come on board and join us for York's ultimate Bollywood Cruise, you do not want to miss it!*

*Enjoy the views from the River Ouse and naach (dance) to the best of Bollywood and Bhangra music along with other genres.*

**Dress code: Smart Casual**

**Boarding:** 06:45 PM  
**Cruising:** 07:00 PM–10:00 PM  
**Vessel:** Captain James Cook

**Departing & Disembarking:**  
King's Staith, York YO1 9SN

**Tickets @ Eventbrite:**  
Search Eventbrite : Bollywood Cruise in York

**Link :** [Bollywood Cruise on the Ouse](#)







### York Karate after school club

To Knavesmire School parents.

I am delighted to announce that York Karate Dojo has availability in our karate classes after school. The classes are in the traditional martial art of Shotokan Karate and will provide an excellent opportunity for them to begin their karate training.

The classes are focused on the fundamentals of the art, perfect for beginners, with a strong focus on discipline, improving strength and fitness and concentration. We also make time to have some fun too!

**Every Monday: 3:40pm - 4:25pm**  
**St. Chads' Church Hall**

Places are limited and so to book a trial session, please visit  
[www.yorkkarate.net](http://www.yorkkarate.net).

Simon Flint  
Instructor  
York Karate Dojo  
[info@yorkkarate.net](mailto:info@yorkkarate.net)  
07814545013



# COMMUNITY MESSAGES

www.parentcarerforumyork.org 2 May 2025

**Parent Carer Forum York**

## NEWS LETTER

Connect@pcforyork.co.uk

### Coffee Mornings

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025**  
10.30am - 12.00pm  
**New Earswick Folk Hall**  
With Denise Thomas,  
Specialist Teacher for Autism.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025**  
10.30am - 12.00pm  
**Acomb Explore Library**

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](mailto:connect@pcforyork.co.uk)

### Virtual Cuppa & Chat

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025**  
6.30pm - 7.30pm  
Online

Join us online for an informal, non-themed 'cuppa and a chat'. Meet other parents and carers who share your lived experience. Swap tips, offload, get updates or share without judgement.

Please email Mary for the meeting link: [connect@pcforyork.co.uk](mailto:connect@pcforyork.co.uk)

### Listening Event

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2025**  
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
Online

Please join us online for this informal listening event with **Melanie Leighton** from **SENDIASS**, covering **choosing a suitable school / college for the EHC plan**.

Email Mary at [connect@pcforyork.co.uk](mailto:connect@pcforyork.co.uk) for the meeting link.

### Get Involved

**As a Parent Carer Member Representative**

Can you volunteer some time to help PCF York represent parent carer voices? Email Mary: [connect@pcforyork.co.uk](mailto:connect@pcforyork.co.uk) to arrange an informal chat.

www.parentcarerforumyork.org 2 May 2025

**Parent Carer Forum York**

## NEWS LETTER

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### Activities and Events

**York Carers Centre**  
Free Support for Unpaid Carers

**For Adult Carers**

York Carers Centre runs two monthly social groups for unpaid carers providing a space to connect, share experiences, and receive peer support from others who understand your situation. Carer Support Workers and volunteers facilitate these groups and are on hand to discuss any concerns, challenges and successes related to your caring role.

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May, 1.15 - 2.45 pm**  
**Acomb**  
[More info here.](#)

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May, 1 - 2.30 pm**  
**Haxby**  
[More info here.](#)

**For Young Adult Carers**

Monthly young adult carer social event.

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May, 1 - 2.30 pm**  
**Spark**  
[More info here.](#)

**For Young Carers**

Youth clubs for young carers (aged 5 - 16)

**Primary Aged Youth Club**  
**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May, 5-6.30 pm**  
[More info here.](#)

**Secondary Aged Youth Club**  
**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May, 5-6.30 pm**  
[More info here.](#)

### Register with York Carers Centre

and let the team know how they can support you.

[enquiries@yorkcarerscentre.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@yorkcarerscentre.co.uk)  
01904 715 490

### LIVING WELL NEWSLETTER

The **Living Well Newsletter** is aimed at providing information and resources for the community organisations, parents and carers who support people with an intellectual disability and autistic people.

[Scan the QR code or click here to read.](#)

### York Health & Arts Mela

**Multi-Cultural Health Festival**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May, 1.15 - 2.45 pm**  
10 am to 5 pm, **York Museum Gardens and Exhibition Square.**  
[More info here.](#)

Free family event open to anyone who wants to learn more about NHS services, Voluntary sector services, the Arts and Performing sector, meet new people, enjoy music, arts, crafts and food from a diverse range of cultures and backgrounds in the heart of York.

www.parentcarerforumyork.org 2 May 2025

**Parent Carer Forum York**

## NEWS LETTER

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### Kids

Disabled children say we can

### SEND Sleep Workshops

Kids are offering free sleep workshops for parents and carers of children with SEND. Each workshop is delivered online via Teams, by 2 highly experienced trained sleep practitioners who can offer guidance and strategies to address sleep issues.

Topics covered in each workshop will include: Circadian rhythms and sleep patterns, melatonin and cortisol, sleep associations, environmental factors, sensory needs, diet and strategies to support families.

For more information, visit [www.kids.org.uk](http://www.kids.org.uk) or contact: [louise.marrow@kids.org.uk](mailto:louise.marrow@kids.org.uk)

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**  
18:30 - 20:30, Online  
[Book a free place via eventbrite](#)

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**  
09:30 - 11:30, Online  
[Book a free place via eventbrite](#)

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June**  
18:30 - 20:30, Online  
[Book a free place via eventbrite](#)

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**  
09:30 - 11:30, Online  
[Book a free place via eventbrite](#)

### SENDays at EUREKA!

the national children's museum

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May - Halifax**  
**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July - Halifax, with BSL Interpreted Show**

[Click here for Access Info and Booking](#)

### Deaf Services Fair

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May | 5 - 7pm**  
Orchard Hall | The Folk Hall, New Earswick

Discover all the support and opportunities available for D/deaf people living in and around York in one place!

If you are a D/deaf person living in and around York, come along! There may be services and organisations you haven't discovered yet!

[Find more info and book your place here](#)



# COMMUNITY MESSAGES



## Clare's Kitchen



### Baking Club @ Knavesmire

Do you have a little chef at home who would like to join us? We meet after school on a Friday for 2 hours to explore lots of fun and delicious recipes together.  
Contact Clare to find out more..

*Follow Clare's Kitchen in schools*  
<http://www.facebook.com/clareshkitchenyork>  
Instagram @clareshkitchenyork  
Email [clare@clares-kitchen.co.uk](mailto:clare@clares-kitchen.co.uk)  
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Little Knavesmire

Starting from Sunday 11th May  
10.00am – 11.00am



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**6 Week Course**  
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## COMMUNITY MESSAGES



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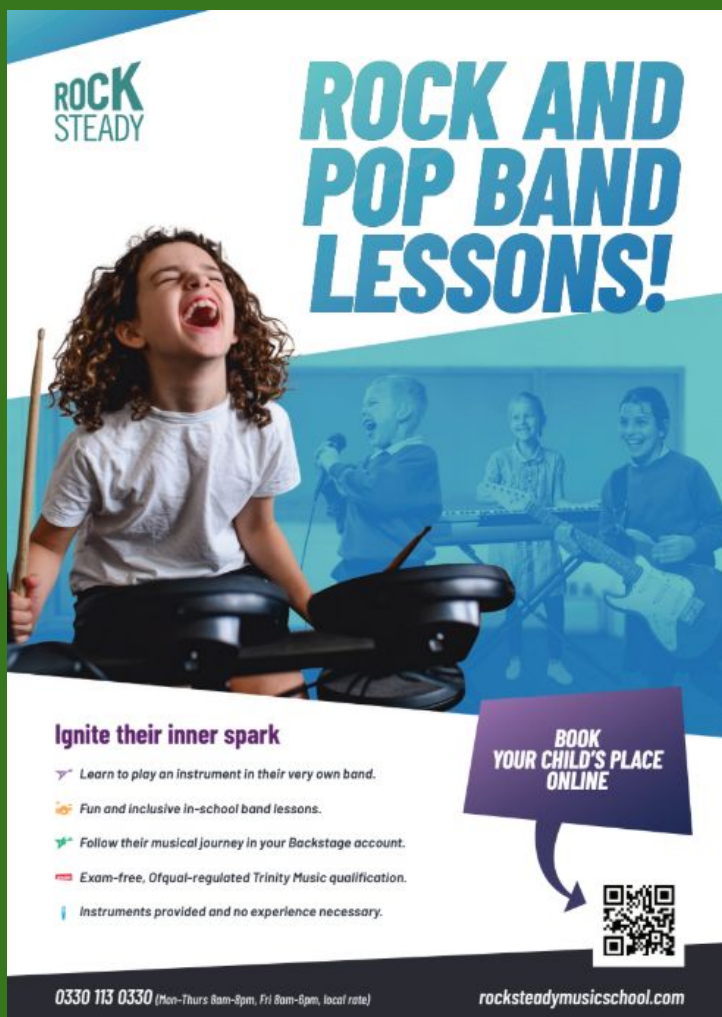
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**Children's Therapy Team**

## Supporting Children with Early Communication Skills



What is communication?

What helps children make sense of spoken language?

How does typical speech, language and communication develop?

When should I seek support for a child?

What strategies can I use when playing with a child to support their language development?

How does supporting language development link with the EYF5 framework?

This online training session explores the evidence-base around supporting children who are at an early stage of communication development and considers how early communication skills can be practically supported within the EYF5 framework.

This **\*FREE\*** training session is suitable for professionals who work in a **primary or early years** setting with children who are at an early stage of language development, across **York, Selby, Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale**.

Date and time: Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025- 3:45-5:00, Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025 3:30-5:30 For more information or to book a place please email us at [yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net](mailto:yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net)

Bookings will close one week before the above date

**York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust**

**Children's Therapy Team**

## Supporting Children with Selective Mutism



What is selective mutism?

Why do children become anxious about speaking in certain situations?

How can I identify if a child in my setting or class has selective mutism?

When should I refer a child?

What helpful information is available online and how do I find it?

What can I do to help a child with selective mutism?

This e-learning session explains what selective mutism is, what causes it, how to create a 'selective mutism friendly environment', and how to help children with selective mutism in your school/setting.

This **\*FREE\*** training session is suitable for professionals who work in a **Secondary** setting with children who are reluctant to speak or have selective mutism, across **York, Selby, Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale**.

Date and time: Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2025 3:30-5:00pm, Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025 3:30-5:00pm

For more information or to book a place please email us at [yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net](mailto:yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net)

Bookings will close one week before the above date

**York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust**

**Children's Therapy Team**

## Supporting Children to Eat and Drink Safely



What can I do to be more confident that the child is eating safely?

What is a normal swallow?

What types/textures of food are safe for children?

What can go wrong with swallowing?

Who can I ask about feeding difficulties, and what guidelines should I be following?

How do I know something has gone wrong when a child is eating?

This online training session explains what 'normal swallowing' is, considers what can go wrong and provides suggestions for how you can support children to eat and drink safely.

This **\*FREE\*** training session is suitable for parents and professionals across **York, Selby, Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale**.

Date and time: Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025, 3:30pm-5:00pm. For more information or to book a place please email us at [yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net](mailto:yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net)

Bookings will close one week before the above date

**York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust**

## Speech Sound Development Workshop



When should I refer a child?

How do speech sounds develop?

How are speech sounds made?

What types of speech sound difficulties do children experience?

What can I do to support a child with speech sound difficulties?

The course gives a brief overview of how speech sounds are made/develop and advice and strategies to consider when working with children with speech sound difficulties.

This **\*FREE\*** training session is suitable for professionals who work with children who have speech sound difficulties, parents or children with speech sound difficulties, from across **York, Selby, Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale**.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2025 10:30-12:00  
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 9:30-11:00

For more information or to book a place please email us at [yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net](mailto:yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net)

Please note booking closes 1 week before the workshop

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**Children's Therapy Team**

## Supporting Children who are picky eaters or avoidant/restrictive



How do I know who is picky and who is restrictive?

How is a diagnosis of ARFID made and what are the challenges?

What will help at mealtimes?

What is ARFID?

Where can I go for further support?

What strategies will help with sensory sensitivities?

This online training session discusses the difference between picky eating and avoidant/restrictive eating, how to identify children with these difficulties and provides ideas of strategies that will help.

This **\*FREE\*** training session is suitable for parents and professionals who live or work in the following areas – **York, Selby, Scarborough, Whitby, Ryedale**

Date and time: Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025 1:00-2:30pm, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2025 3:15-4:45pm, Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2025 1:00-2:30pm

For more information or to book a place please email us at [yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net](mailto:yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net)

**LET'S MAKE SENSE together.**

Let's Make Sense Together is a virtual service that has been developed by our Occupational Therapists for York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. It is part of our sensory processing pathway, supporting children and young people who have a physical and functional difficulty due to sensory processing differences.

Please use the QR code or link below to access our free advice and further details on how to access our service.



[www.yorkhospitals.nhs.uk/childrens-centre/your-childs-hospital-journey/introduction-to-childrens-therapies](http://www.yorkhospitals.nhs.uk/childrens-centre/your-childs-hospital-journey/introduction-to-childrens-therapies)

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## Stammering workshop

For setting staff and childcare providers



What is stammering?

How should I talk to a child who stammers?

What strategies can I use in the classroom to support a child who stammers?

Where can I find further support and helpful information about stammering?

How can Speech and Language Therapy support a child who stammers?

What causes stammering?

This virtual workshop is suitable for all setting staff and childcare providers.

The course gives a brief overview of what stammering is and how you can support a child in your setting to communicate confidently with a stammer.

Cost: Free; to setting staff and childcare providers in the **York, Selby, Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale** areas

Date and Time – you only need to attend one of the following workshops;

- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025 3:45pm - 5:15pm
- Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2025 3:45pm - 5:15pm
- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025 3:45pm-5:15pm

To book a place on one of the workshops above, please contact [yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net](mailto:yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net)