

Knavesmire Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 23rd May 2025

Mr Cooper and Mr Gardiner's Message

Happy Friday!

Dear Parents, Carers, Families,

Where is the year going? Happy Half Term!

We've had a super week with sunshine, trips galore, and Romans! To qualify this, Year 4 have had their end of Big Idea Roman day, Year 2 had their Big Idea trip to sunny Scarborough, and Year 5 have been flying their way down zip-wires at Carlton Lodge! We've also had York Knights in school leading an assembly, Y3 have taken part in a triathlon, and Nursery have had our friends from York Theatre Royal leading a workshop! It's been an enriching week - as learning should be! We've had our new starters meeting for next year's reception cohort - exciting stuff!

We hope that you have lovely plans for the half-term and bank holiday break!

Here are some attendance numbers. Today our whole school attendance is 93.1%. This is low for Knavesmire. Our target is 97% and our average this year is 96.1%. Pupils under 90% attendance are 5.6%. This compares strongly with national. As a whole we compare well to National absence comparators, and favourably to most of our Trust sister schools.

Here's a new attendance number crunch. These, ranked, are what percentage of students in each year group have been at school each day this week! Starting from the best: Year 5, 95%. Reception, 94%. Year 1, 93%. Year 3, 92%. Year 4, 84%. Year 6, 86%. Year 2, 80%. Thanks for your efforts!

Have a lovely break and thanks for your support as ever!

Mr Cooper & 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
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

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.fundraiserecycleltd.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

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!

SCHOOL CLASS PHOTOS

The dates for class photos are as follows:

Tuesday 3rd June 2025

Nursery, Reception, Y1

Wednesday 4th June 2025

Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5

Thursday 5th June 2025

Y6

Year 6 will have separate class photos taken of 6K and 6WW, and will also have a combined photo taken of both classes for posterity.

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...



ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 1

This is the fifth online safety newsletter of the academic year for 2024-2025. Each half-term, we share an online safety newsletter with you to provide support and guidance on keeping your child/children safe online. Each newsletter will have a different E-Safety focus. This newsletter will focus on cyberbullying.



What is cyberbullying?

Cyberbullying is a form of bullying that takes place online and can take many forms, such as sending malicious messages. Cyberbullying can happen at any time of the day, so often feels unrelenting. It can take place across many different platforms, such as on messaging apps like WhatsApp and Snapchat, on social media platforms such as Instagram and TikTok and via online games. Here are some examples of what cyberbullying can look like online:

- Sending nasty or hurtful messages
- Leaving unkind comments
- Sharing photographs of somebody else without their permission
- Excluding somebody on purpose
- Impersonating somebody with a fake account
- Telling/sharing lies
- Blackmailing

What should I do if my child is being bullied online?

If your child is being bullied, then try to stay calm and let them know that it is not their fault. It is always useful to keep evidence of any online bullying. Show your child how to block and/or report any users/content and review their privacy settings to limit what others can see. You may also wish to review/set up any available parental controls. It is important to notify your child's class teacher so that they are aware.

Further information

There is a vast amount of information available online about cyberbullying. The following links provide further information on types of online bullying, and who you can contact if you need any further advice or support.

- <https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/online-bullying/>
- <https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/advice-and-support/advice-parents-and-carers/sources-information-advice-and-support/>

GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER - MAY 2025

Hi, I'd just like to introduce myself. My name is Katherine and I'm the newest governor at KPS.

I currently work as a developer of primary-aged reading assessment materials. Before this I worked in several primary schools, as a teacher or senior leader, for around twenty years, so I hope that this means I can contribute positively to KPS.

I joined the governors' team in the autumn term and have already been so impressed by the energy and atmosphere at the school. We were lucky to be guided around the school by some Year 6 pupils at our last meeting and saw some terrific behaviour for learning in all year groups. I am currently being mentored by another governor as I get to know KPS and am interested in supporting the Vulnerable Pupils / Pupil Premium role.

Wishing you all a lovely half term break whatever you might be doing and of course, as always, thanks to all the staff and volunteers at school for another super half term.



WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



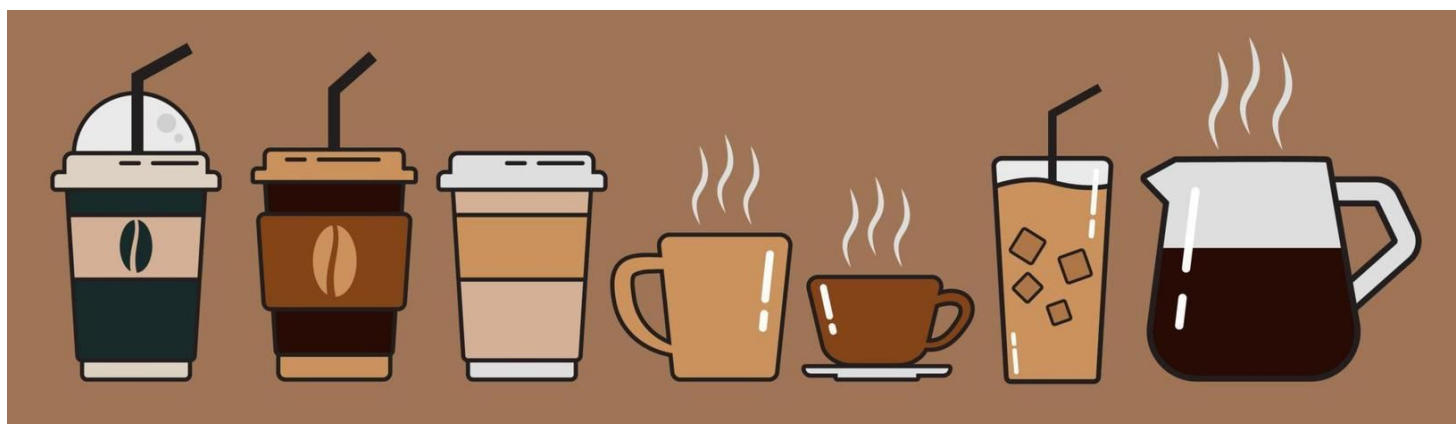
THE COFFEE CART IS BACK!

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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TRIPS, ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCES

Reception

Scientots Activity (in school), 20/05/25 - See email sent 06/05/25. We still welcome financial contributions to help fund this activity. The ParentPay item remains open for voluntary parent contribution of £4.50 per child. Please use the item on ParentPay to make payment by **Thursday 05/06/25**.

Yorkshire Wildlife Park, 18/06/25 - See email sent today (23/05/25). Please complete the consent by Monday 02/06/25. We have created a separate payment item on ParentPay to give parents/carers more time to budget if needed. There is a voluntary contribution of £15 which is due by Monday 23/06/25. Drop off is at 8.40am, pick up is at 3.30pm. Children should come to school in their school uniform. Children should wear a coat and shoes appropriate for the weather. Children should bring a filled water bottle.

Year 3

Swimming - The voluntary contribution is live on ParentPay.

Year 4

Robin Hood's Bay - See information sent 25/04/25. Thank you all for completing the google form and payment plan.

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.

Year 5

Barcelona 2026 - Please see email sent today (23/05/25). There will be a parent meeting on **Monday 02/06/25** at 3.45pm. Please can **ALL PARENTS** complete the item on ParentPay by **Tuesday 03/06/25** to indicate your interest in the trip.

Trust Arts Fest, 25/06/25 (All of Y5) - 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.

Playhouse Project at York Theatre Royal, 30/06/25 - Please see email sent 16/05/25. We still have a number of consents outstanding. Please complete consent on ParentPay ASAP. Tickets will go live on the booking system at 10.30am on Tuesday 03/06/25.

5H

Arrive at school at 8am, to be collected 6pm from York Theatre Royal. Performances at 3.30pm and 5.30pm. All children will need to bring 2 packed lunches plus a water bottle and snacks (nut and sesame free and to be carried in 1 bag please). Children should come in own clothes (not uniform).

5I

Arrive at normal time, to be collected at 7pm from York Theatre Royal. Performances at 2.30pm and 6.30pm. All children will need to bring 2 packed lunches plus a water bottle and snacks (nut and sesame free and to be carried in 1 bag please). Children should come in own clothes (not uniform).

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(Cont..) TRIPS, ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCES

Year 6

National Railway Museum Trip, 19/06/25 - See email sent 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 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 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.

Other

Trust Arts Fest, 25/06/25 (All of Y5 & invited Y6) - See email sent 04/04/25. 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 02/05/25 to 12 children in Years 2, 4 and 6. 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. www.ignitesportscoaching.co.uk or email: info@ignitesportscoaching.co.uk
Dance with Miss Caroline	Miss Caroline runs drama, cheerleading and street dance clubs for all school aged children on a Wednesday and Thursday lunchtime.	To sign up for these sessions please follow this link https://forms.office.com/r/UEgRPhRhcX or for more info, email Miss Caroline: dancewithmisscaroline@outlook.com
Circus Skills	Circus Stu runs a circus skills club for all school aged children. This takes place on a Monday lunchtime.	To sign up please email Stu: stuart@circusskillsyorkcic.org or go to the website: www.circusskillsyorkcic.org
Rocksteady	Rocksteady are in Knavesmire on a Wednesday in school hours. Children can choose from the electric guitar, keyboard, drums or vocals.	For more information and to sign up, go to Rocksteady's website: www.rocksteadymusicschool.com
Clare's Kitchen	Clare runs sessions for all school aged children after school on a Monday 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: clare@clares-kitchen.co.uk
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 or ask me in the playground. Ask around for Larry.

MUSIC IN SCHOOL



Peripatetic Music Lessons in School

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

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

MUSIC NEWS

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.

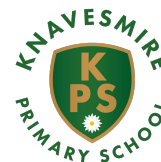
This Is Me

https://youtu.be/5J29YsEfYlo?si=ak8g1_37O63ZT-kd

Sing

https://youtu.be/b5l_t1TzQhw?si=6Pq40BqT8cvJBx__

KEY DATES



YEAR	DATE(S)	ACTIVITY
Nursery	03/06/25	Class Photo
Reception	03/06/25	Class Photo
Year 1	03/06/25	Class Photo
Year 2	04/06/25	Class Photo
Year 3	04/06/25	Class Photo
Year 4	02/06/25 - 13/06/25 04/06/25 13/06/25 18/06/25 - 19/06/25 19/06/25 - 20/06/25 24/06/25	Multiplication Check Class Photo TT Rockstar Dress Up Day Robin Hood's Bay Residential- 4R Robin Hood's Bay Residential - 4GH Pedestrian Training
Year 5	02/06/25 04/06/25 25/06/25 30/06/25 07/07/25	3.45pm - Barcelona 2026 Parent/Carer Meeting. Class Photo MAT Arts Fest (Parents can attend performance at 6.30pm) Playhouse Project @ York Theatre Royal French café day at Millthorpe - details to follow
Year 6	05/06/25 19/06/25 25/06/25 10/07/25 15/07/25 16/07/25 17/07/25 17/07/25	Class Photo 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).
The School House		
Other	07/06/25 25/06/25 27/06/25 (04/07/25) 09/07/25	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

We hope you had a good last week of term and are looking forward to a little break.

Thank you so much for your support over the last weeks and please look out for further information over the coming weeks for announcements of the last events of this school year. Our main one will be a summer raffle for which we're working hard on getting some amazing prizes to offer you - something to look forward to in summer.

Other than that please remember that you can always get involved if you like. Don't hesitate to contact us (knavesmirefriends@gmail.com) to help support the school. We would love to have you and are always looking for new Friends :)

Have a good half term everyone.



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

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

CLUB INFORMATION

EMAIL ADDRESS

New Email Address - our email has changed to 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 can't believe we are already at half term! We have had a very busy 5 weeks in Nursery and the children have all worked so hard. This week they have showed off all their knowledge and understanding about the bread making process and we were super proud with how much they could recall. They have really embraced this Big Idea!

On Thursday morning we had a visit from the Theatre Royal and took part in a workshop based on The Little Red Hen. We wowed them with what we already knew about the story, they were very impressed! We took part in the story and consolidated our understanding of how wheat turns into bread.

We hope everyone has a wonderful break and we can't wait to welcome you back for the final half term of the school year, when a lot of us will be beginning preparations for starting Reception (how is it this time of the year already?)!

RECEPTION MESSAGES

Hello Reception, what a wonderful scientific week we've had!

The children really enjoyed their visit from Scientots and Sally science and had a great time experimenting and investigating acid and alkaline!

In Forest school the Vikings went on a caterpillar hunt then helped Charlie the crow to find the caterpillars they had hidden around the forest school area to learn all about camouflage!

Next half term we will be 'sailing the seven seas!' Learning about different countries, oceans and the animals we would find if we went there!

We hope that you all have a fantastic and relaxing half term break!
The Reception Team

YEAR 1 MESSAGES

This week, we have completed our Big Idea about plants and how they grow. We made sculptures of a plant, trying to include all the important parts. In English we have written reports about foods we get from plants and in Maths we have been finding a quarter of different amounts.

We have sent P.E. bags home to enable you to check and freshen P.E. kits. Please make sure kits are returned to school as soon as we come back and they are complete and everything fits.

Thanks for your support and we hope you have a great half term.

From the Year One team.

YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



YEAR 2 MESSAGES

We will start our newsletter with an apology for lots of sandy children being sent home on Monday!! We are hoping that the amount of fun that the children had made up for the added Monday washing! We had an amazing trip to Scarborough as part of our Big Idea. The children could recognise some human and physical geography features along the coast before heading to the beach. Once on the sand, we couldn't resist building sandcastles and having lots of fun! We even made beach art out of the nearby shells and pebbles. An ice cream treat after lunch was definitely the cherry on the cake for most of the children! For the remainder of the week, the children have been looking at tally charts and tables in Maths and using their Scarborough inspiration to create setting descriptions in Writing. On Thursday, we had our last Forest School session of the year and the children had a great time building their own imaginative islands and rafts. As a reminder, we are outside for PE again after half term so please make sure the children are dressed appropriately for this (including a change of PE shoes from their school shoes).

We hope that you all have a lovely half term break and we look forward to seeing everybody back on Monday 2nd of June ready for another jam packed half term!

From the Year 2 team.

YEAR 3 MESSAGES

Year 3 have had a brilliant last week of the half-term! All of the children who attended the Brownlee Triathlon, on Wednesday afternoon, thoroughly enjoyed it and represented the school beautifully! It was great to see so many of the children throwing themselves into each of the events. Earlier this week, we celebrated Culture Day by looking at all of the cultures in our year group and created a project all about Chinese culture. In Writing, the children learned how to punctuate direct speech using inverted commas. In Maths, the children started and finished their unit on Shape.

As the children have worked so hard throughout this half-term, they definitely deserve a well-earned break.

Therefore, there is no set spelling or maths homework to be completed over the half-term break. However, we would like to encourage children to continue reading a minimum of 4 times per week, continue to learn the Year 3/4 Common Exception Words (these can be found on Spelling Shed) as well as practising their times tables (2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 8s and 10s).

As always, 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're always happy to help!

We hope you have a wonderful half-term!

The Year 3 Team.

YEAR 4 MESSAGES

It's been a creative week in Year 4, as we have studied various poems and found the features of them. Our main focus was the poem, "Owl", by Pie Corbett, which was full of figurative language to discuss and magpie.

We've had a hands-on approach to our Roman study this week, starting with a delicious study into what the Romans ate. We found out that the Romans ate flatbreads called "pinsa", so we had a go at making pitta bread pinsas topped with various delicious vegetables. The children created Roman-inspired designs, made then evaluated their dishes.

Moving on to our Roman day, we had a visit from a Roman soldier, who allowed us to join in with demonstrations of battle tactics and told us all about the life of a Roman soldier. We also really enjoyed completing our Roman pouches and creating chemical reactions to make Mount Vesuvius erupt.

In Maths, We've completed our topic on time, and had a large focus on times tables.

Please can we ask that all children practice their times tables frequently over the half term break in preparation for the multiplication check, which will happen in the two weeks following half term.

YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



YEAR 5 MESSAGES

Well where do we start other than saying a massive congratulations and a huge well done to all our amazing Year 5s who have been absolute superstars in Carlton Lodge this week!

They have been high roping, zip lining, gorge walking, kayaking, raft building and bouldering! Every single child has smashed all expectations, had a brilliant attitude, been determined and been incredibly enthusiastic whilst cheering and supporting their peers!

There will be no homework over half term but children can make a start on learning their lines for The Creaker Play!

Have the most amazing half term and we will see you all for a busy show packed Summer 2.

The Year 5 Team

YEAR 6 MESSAGES

Another exciting week in Year 6 as we audition for our end of year production! More details about this production will follow but needless to say that the excitement is palpable. Our huge thanks to Edwin Thomas for writing us our personalised show!

Writing will continue in earnest after half-term and we will be redrafting all of our pieces of writing; it is important that your child is in school for this writing period.

Rehearsals for the show will begin after half-term and scripts will be going out today.

Please have a relaxing and enjoyable holiday. It has been a long term but a very rewarding one!

The Year 6 Team

THE SCHOOL HOUSE MESSAGES

We have had a lovely week in the School House.

In Maths, we have been learning how to read a clock and how to tell the time.

In English, we have played SPaG games, used drama to perform and written a collaborative School House story. In Big Idea, we looked at Irish potato farming as part of World Culture Week. We also crafted a tractor for our watercolour farm landscapes and built our very own farms.

Next half term, we will be answering the guiding question 'How can we look after our coasts?' We have sent a copy of the knowledge organiser home with the children and uploaded it to the school website.

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

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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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.

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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
with your name and a contact telephone number.

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

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

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

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



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23rd May - 20th July 2025

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Creative Literacies Hub

The Hub for Parents, Carers and Children

Want to discover fun and creative ways to enhance your child's literacy skills at home? Sign up for the FREE Creative Literacies Hub today!

Supporting Reading at Home

Who?

Parents, Carers and Children aged 5-11.

What?

The first 2 workshops are for parents and carers only, although you are welcome to bring your child. In these workshops, we will show you ways of supporting your child to read a wide range of texts. Your child will join you for the remaining 4 sessions where you will read together.

Creative Writing Together

Who?

Parents, Carers and Children aged 7-14.

What?

For all 6 workshops you and your child will engage in creative writing sessions together. Through the workshops, you and your child will imagine settings, characters, and plots, writing from different points of view within your story-world. Your creative writing pieces will feature in an anthology, published by York St John University.

How Do I Sign Up?

You can self-refer by completing our online self-referral form. This is found by visiting the 'Children and Young People' page underneath the 'Groups and programmes' header on our website www.yorks.ac.uk/ysjcc (or use the QR code). When completing the form please ensure you state the age of your child, and the programme/s you would like to enrol on – you may sign up to both.



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Leeds and Bradford Triathlon Club

JUNIOR AQUATHLON

Sunday 1st June

The Edge – Leeds University

ALL abilities welcomed and indeed encouraged

Perfect way to start multi-sport events

Same heated pool used by Olympians

Closed running course set within the University grounds

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No special equipment needed

Distances based on age

- **TriStar Start** (8 years) – 50m Swim & 600m Run
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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/>

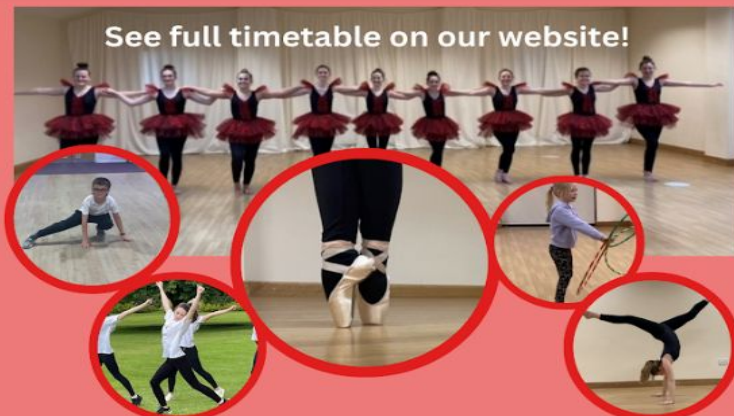
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- Every **Monday** from 3.3.25 - **Junior** sessions
Red group (3.45pm- 4.45pm), ages 5-7
Orange group (4.45pm - 5.45pm), ages 8-11
- Every **Saturday** from 1.3.25 - **Beginner Adult**
(Tennis Express) session (9am-10am) 6 WEEK
COURSE
- Every **Saturday** 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



COMMUNITY MESSAGES



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.

Simon Flint
Instructor
York Karate Dojo
info@yorkkarate.net
07814545013

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](#)



Clare's Kitchen

Cookery Club- Fridays @Knavesmire

Do you have a little chef at home who would like to join us?
Clare's Kitchen meets after school on a Friday for 2 hours to explore lots of fun and delicious recipes together.

If your child would like to be a part of our team or have a trial session, contact Clare for a booking form link. Year groups 1-6.

Follow Clare's Kitchen in schools

<http://www.facebook.com/clareshkitchenyork>

Instagram @clareshkitchenyork

Email clare@clares-kitchen.co.uk

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JOIN US THIS HALF TERM!

FOR OUR BRAND-NEW HOLIDAY CLUB
AT FRIARGATE THEATRE!

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at Friargate Theatre, York
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WizardFest
MAY 24-26TH 2025

Experience the MAGIC of York this May, with the city's first ever festival of Wizardry! WizardFest runs May 24-26th and will see a whole of spellbinding activities across the city.

Join a Wizard Walk, book a LEGO workshop, make a LUSH bath bomb, meet a dragon and owls and so much more!

Plan your trip at www.wizardwalkofyork.com/wizardfest. Early booking recommended, before tickets...VANISH!

Follow www.facebook.com/wizardwalkofyork for magical updates

COMMUNITY MESSAGES



York RUFC Girls



Girls aged 7-19

Come and give rugby training a try when our new season kicks off on 3rd September...

Wednesday nights

18.30 to 19.30

York Sports Club, Clifton Park, YO30 5RE

Have fun

Develop your rugby skills

Build fitness and friendships

Train with qualified coaches

No previous experience needed

Be part of a team and a growing community

Get the opportunity to play matches



Contact us for more information at
YorkRUFCgirls@outlook.com

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York RUFC Girls

WOMENS & GIRLS RUGBY TRAINING SESSION!



Join us for an exhilarating experience at our Women's and Girls' rugby back to basics session!

Whether you're a seasoned player or a curious beginner, this event is perfect for everyone looking to dive into the world of rugby.

Embrace the camaraderie, build your skills, and unleash your enthusiasm on the field. Our friendly and supportive community is dedicated to empowering women and girls through sport, fostering both physical fitness and personal growth. Don't miss out on the chance to be part of a dynamic team environment where fun and excitement are guaranteed as our club York RUFC hosts the Official Women's world cup trophy at our grounds on the 2nd of June!

Lace up your boots and get ready to tackle fun head-on! All abilities are welcome with age ranges from junior girls 7-11, Teenagers, walking rugby, touch rugby, T1 rugby, right the way through to our Women's first team.

Date - 2nd June. Time - 6-7.30 pm. Place - 1st Team Pitch.
Location - York sports club, YO50 5ER



ALL ABILITIES
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Womens QR code

Girls QR code

COMMUNITY MESSAGES

Half term fun for all at York Theatre Royal

Jenna Drury has worked with all our classes, delivering fun drama sessions as part of our partnership with York Theatre Royal. Jenna would like to share news of an exciting performance she is giving at YTR, for a wildlife charity:



Beetles and Bee Tales

Interactive storytelling with Mud Pie Arts

Who's side will you take when Cora, the crafty cuckoo bumblebee, sneaks her way into Queen Red-tail's nest?

And will you dare to stand up to Brutus, the invading bark beetle, as he devours every forest in his way?

Find out with Mud Pie Arts. Together, we will act out these bold tales of bombastic beasts!

May half term is the perfect time to go bug hunting, so come along to learn more with our spinner of yarns, Jenna Drury.

Expect all-join-in storytelling, riddles, games, and post show doodling on an epic scale!

These original tales have been created by Mud Pie Arts, to nurture children's interest in the natural world.

All proceeds will be donated to People's Trust for Endangered Species.

<https://ptes.org/>

Suitable for all wild beasties age 4-11 years!

York Theatre Royal Studio
Saturday 31st May 11am
Length: One hour
All seats £5.50

<https://www.yorktheatreroyal.co.uk/show/beetles-and-bee-tales/>



COMMUNITY MESSAGES


Family Fund
Helping disabled children

At home superheroes

14 June - 13 July

Unleash your kids' superpowers this summer and join us for a virtual race around the world, powered by Marvel! Set your distance, assemble your team, and walk, wheel or swim your way to victory.

£10 entry fee
£75 minimum fundraising goal

Want to get involved?

Contact:
fundraising@familyfund.org.uk

Telephone number:
01904 550033





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2pm
7pm

Fundraising Film Screenings

Sunday 25 May 2025

Tickets £5.00

Book online at
josephrowntreetheatre.co.uk
 or via Box Office
 01904 501935



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YEAR 3 AND 4 FREE WORKSHOPS

21st May 2025 4:30pm to 6:00pm at
Bootham Junior School.

Choose from the below workshops:

- Languages Café
- Cricket – bowling, batting and fielding
- STEM: Squiggling and Fizzing
- Campfire Crafts and Cooking
- Code Breaking
- Wonderful Watercolours
- Game Design
- Body Beats; Robot Rhythms.



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Parent Carer Forum York

NEWS LETTER

Connect@pcforyork.co.uk

Virtual Cuppa & Chat

Monday 2nd June 2025
7:00pm onwards
Online

On the first Monday of every month during term time, we provide an online offer for parents and carers who struggle to attend in person meet ups. There is no agenda, just an open invitation to come along, connect with others in our community, share, celebrate, offload or ask...anything goes!
Please email Mary for the meeting link: connect@pcforyork.co.uk

Coffee Morning

Tuesday 3rd June 2025
10.30am - 12.00pm
New Earswick Folk Hall

Meet other parents and carers who share your lived experience. We'll be easy to recognise with the table top sign but if you would like to meet someone first, email Mary: connect@pcforyork.co.uk

Parent Carer Signposting

Wednesday 4th June 2025
6.30pm - 8pm
Online

On the first Wednesday in every month, PCF York offers an online event for parents who are new to the world of SEND. We can signpost to what parents tell us are the most useful resources as a starting point. Bring a cuppa and your questions.
Please email Mary for the meeting link: connect@pcforyork.co.uk

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Parent Carer Forum York

NEWS LETTER

Connect@pcforyork.co.uk

Listening Event

Wednesday 10th June 2025
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Online

Join us online for an informal listening event with **Alison Wheatley (Lead Officer for Adult Carers)**, covering the **Carers Offer in York**.
Email Mary at connect@pcforyork.co.uk for the meeting link.

Your Voice Matters

Join York's New SEND Youth Forum
Share your views with those who can make a difference to the lives of young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities.

City of York Council's Special Educational Needs Service would like to invite children and young people aged 7-25 from across York to be a member of their **SEND Youth Forum**. They are looking for volunteers who:

- are able to advocate for themselves within a scaffolded session
- would enjoy sharing their views and ideas
- feel comfortable in a group setting
- want to make a difference.

This forum will directly shape services for young people in the city and provide them with an opportunity to share their views and ideas with leaders from across Education Health and Care to create positive change.

Email Laura.Brown@york.gov.uk to find out more.

Celebrate Carers Week

9th - 15th June 2025

Visit the Carers Week website.

Carers Celebration Event

Weds 11th June, 10am - 6pm
Museum Gardens, York

Look out for the pink gazebo in Museum Gardens, bring a friend and a picnic! Chat with the team, meet Carer Support Workers, learn more about the support available for carers in York and enjoy an opportunity to connect with other carers.
More info here.

Appointments with York Carers Centre's Benefit Worker

Weds 11th June, 9.30am - 3pm

Andrew will be available to provide guidance for carers looking to understand how recent announcements on changes to health and disability benefits may impact them.

Legal Clinic with Crombie Wilkinson Solicitors

Friday 13th June

Free 30-minute appointments online or in person for advice on wills, probate, and power of attorney.

★ **York Carers Centre Activity Calendar**

Book activities or appointments:
events@yorkcarerscentre.co.uk
01904 715 490.

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Parent Carer Forum York

NEWS LETTER

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SEND Sleep Workshops

Kids are offering free sleep workshops for parents and carers of children with SEND. For more information, visit www.kids.org.uk or contact: louise.marrow@kids.org.uk

- Thursday 22nd May**
18:30 - 20:30, Online
Book a free place via [eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk)
- Monday 2nd June**
09:30 - 11:30, Online
Book a free place via [eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk)
- Wednesday 18th June**
18:30 - 20:30, Online
Book a free place via [eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk)
- Friday 20th June**
09:30 - 11:30, Online
Book a free place via [eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk)

IMP's Holiday Club

Come along for a sweet ride and explore the famous sweet company Rowntrees through movement and music!

Create musical sensory soundscapes that make us think of Jelly Tots and Fruit Gums, and make up moves inspired by Rowntrees' Randoms. This is part of York Theatre Royal's community project 'Sweet Legacies'.

Wednesday 28th May,
10am-12pm. Cost of £12. Ages 8+
Accessible Arts and Media space in Clifton Explore Library.
Book here, email or call 07547 288786

May Half Term

Finding Inclusive Clubs and Activities

York Mumbler
Your Local Parenting Community

York Mumbler details accessible activities throughout the year.
Click here to view activities, ideas for days out and places to visit for May Half Term and beyond.

Raise York
Your Family Hub Network

Activities, clubs, groups and things to do for children and young people aged 0-25 in York, including those aimed specifically for children with special educational needs and disabilities.
Click here to search for activities and clubs during May Half Term and beyond.

York FIS
Tel: 01904 554444
Email: fis@york.gov.uk

York FIS can help you find suitable activities, childcare or holiday clubs.

SENDays at EUREKA!

the national children's museum

- Sunday 18th May - Halifax
- Sunday 20th July - Halifax, with BSL Interpreted Show

Click here for Access Info and Booking

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COMMUNITY MESSAGES

BACKPACKERS!

**Holiday Club
2025**

Bishopthorpe Road Parishes

A week of travel-themed fun and games!

Monday 21 - Friday 25 July 2025

10am - 2pm

St Andrew's Church Hall

Primary school age (5-11)

Grab your backpack and come along to holiday club! We'll be going on an epic journey, exploring the story of Jesus, and doing lots of crafts, games, drama, prayer and songs along the way.

Free!
(Donations of
£3 a day
welcome)

Book Now



FREE ACTIVITY SESSIONS THIS MAY HALF-TERM



York RLFC Foundation are offering free turn up & play multi-sport sessions across York this May school holidays.

All sessions below share the same format:

WHAT: Free turn up & play, multi-sports sessions

WHO: Suitable for children aged 5 & upwards

TO BOOK: No need to book, just turn up on the day!

Tues, 27 May 10-12pm. York St John Sports Park, YO31 8TA.

Tues, 27 May 2 - 4pm. Millennium Bridge, YO10 4EF.

Wed, 28 May 10 - 12pm, Acomb Green, YO26 5LL.

Wed, 28 May 2 - 4pm, Brecksfield Playing Fields, YO301YG.

Thur, 29 May 10 - 12pm. York Acorn RLFC, YO24 2NW

Thur, 29 May 2 - 4pm. Stublowe Place Play Park, YO10 3FY

Fri, 30 May 10am - 12pm. Orchard Park, YO31 9EA

Fri, 30 May 2-4pm Fulford Parish Council Playing Field,
School Lane, YO10 4LY.



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RUGBEES GIRLS RUGBY LEAGUE



Rugby league skills and fun session for primary school-aged girls.

Who: Girls aged 7-11 years

Where: York St John University Sports Park, YO31 8TA

When: Every Tuesday from 20th May

Time: 6.30pm to 7.30pm

Cost: £3 per session

Contact: 01904 670880/

inclusion@yorkrlfc.com



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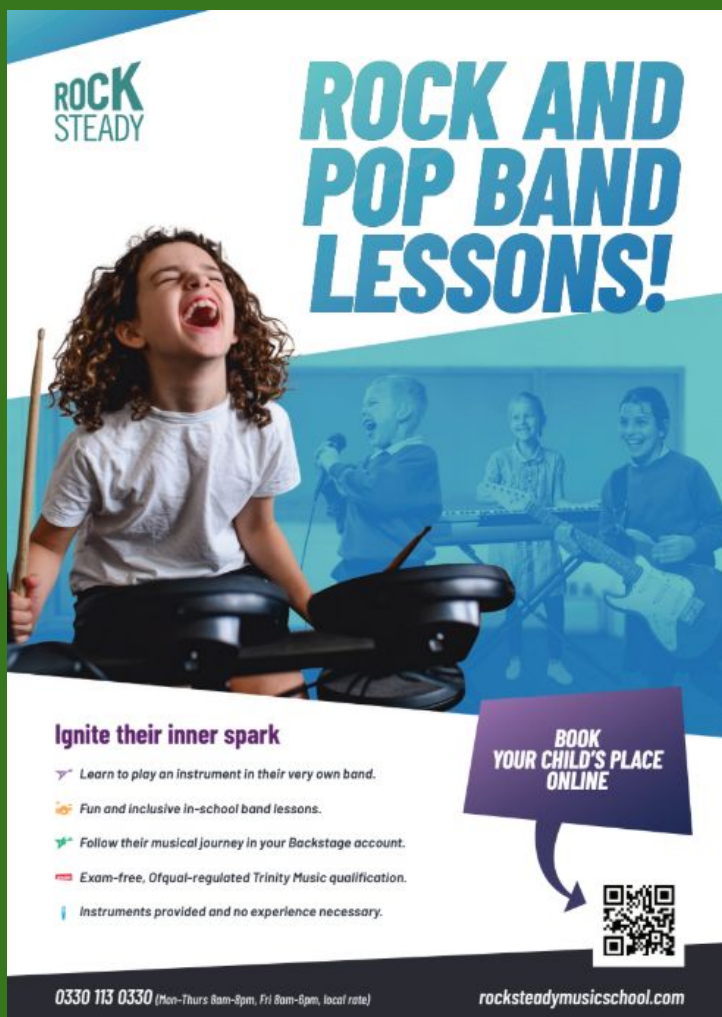
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All kids are guaranteed to develop **new skills** while **having fun** and **making friends**

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Dana

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Lois

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Amita

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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 EYFS 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 EYFS 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 27th March 2025- 3:45-5:00, Thursday 24th April 2025 3:30-5:30 For more information or to book a place please email us at 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 29th January 2025 3:30-5:00pm, Friday 9th May 2025 3:30-5:00pm

For more information or to book a place please email us at 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 25th March 2025, 3:30pm-5:00pm. For more information or to book a place please email us at 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, from across **York, Selby, Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale**.

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

For more information or to book a place please email us at yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net

Please note booking closes 1 week before the workshop

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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 18th March 2025 1:00-2:30pm, Thursday 26th June 2025 3:15-4:45pm, Tuesday 21st October 2025 1:00-2:30pm

For more information or to book a place please email us at 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

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

To book a place on one of the workshops above, please contact yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net