

Knavesmire Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 11th July 2025

Mr Cooper and Mr Gardiner's Message

Happy Friday!

Dear Parents, Carers, Families,

Happy Friday everyone!

We've ended the week with Mediterranean temperatures and can't believe we are entering the final 5 days of term. Next Friday, 18th July, is the last school day of the year and we've got a busy week to celebrate our children's achievements and wish farewell to those leaving us.

This week, Year 6 enjoyed their Treat Trip to Hollywood Bowl, School House children sailed down the River Ouse while children from Year 2, 4 and 6 took part in Excel Learning Trust's Sports Fest. All of our Year 4 children have taken part in workshops with staff from the Theatre Royal, focusing on Fantastical Worlds. It sounded brilliant.

Thank you for your effort with attendance - it counts right up until the last day.

Have a wonderful weekend

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>

Lost Property

Just a quick reminder to remember to name all items that your child brings into school. Any mislaid named items will be returned to children in class.

We have a large number of unnamed items of uniform/coats/snack boxes/water bottles etc. These have all been placed in the gazebo in the playground. Feel free to look through these to look for any misplaced items. If there are any unclaimed items at the end of the school year, they will be donated or recycled.

We do not run a lost property in school. Any unnamed items will continue to be placed in the gazebo. The gazebo will be emptied of unclaimed items at the end of each half term.

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

A shout out for the return of **all Library books** by the end of the school year - these can be dropped into the box in the school office.

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! At the moment they are looking for shoes, small toys (no puzzles) and double buggies and prams for newborns. Thank you!

MUGA USE

The use of the MUGA (the enclosed Multi Use Games Area) at the back of school is not permitted for parents of children outside of school hours. This facility is used for school clubs.



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.

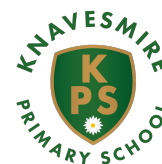
Please do not bring any nut or sesame products into school.



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



WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



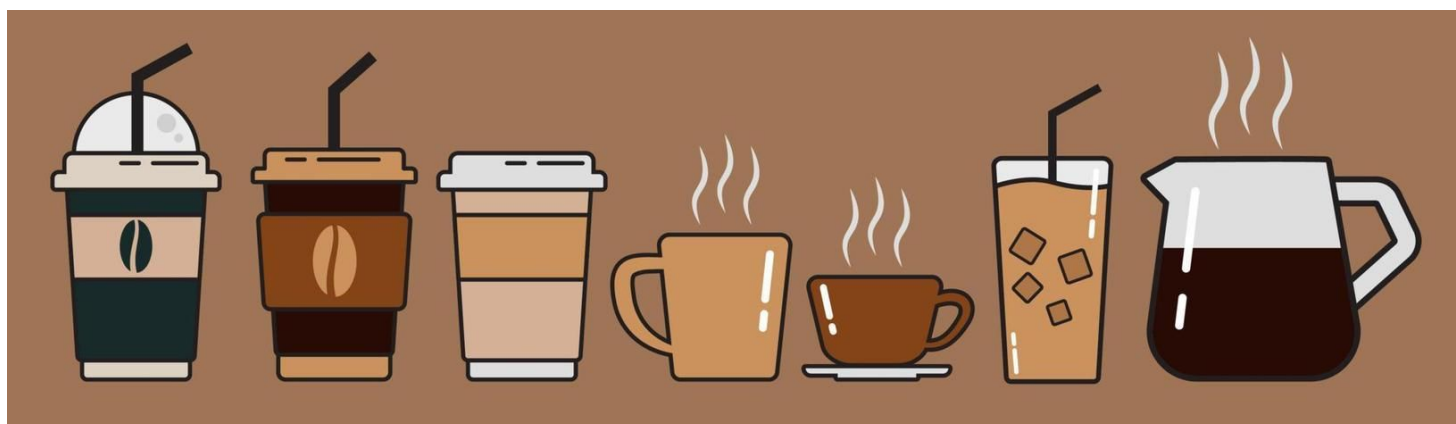
THE COFFEE CART IS BACK!

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

Performance in Rowntree Park, 14/07/25 - Please see email sent 06/06/25. Children should come to school in school uniform with a coat and shoes appropriate for the weather. Children should bring sun cream and a sun hat if it is sunny. There is no change to drop off, pick up or lunch times. Children should bring a filled water bottle for the trip. Parents are invited to attend the performance which will start at 1.45pm and last around 20 minutes. Parents are welcome to bring picnic blankets/camping chairs if they wish. If there is heavy rain the performance will take place in the school hall instead. Parents do not need to book or advise if they are attending, just turn up on the day!

Year 3

Swimming - We would welcome any further contributions. The payment item will remain open on ParentPay over the summer holidays for any further payments.

Year 5

Barcelona 2026 - Please see email and letter from Mr Cooper sent today (20/06/25). The payment plan is live on ParentPay. Please bring in your child's passport for us to take a copy by Friday 17/10/25.

Year 6

Year 6 Play, 15/07/25 at 6pm & 16/07/25 1.30pm and 6pm - Please see email sent 06/06/25. The bookings system is now open for the first allocation of tickets. There is no charge for the tickets. Please use the following link to book your tickets: <https://parents-booking.co.uk/knavesmire>

Crucial Crew Trip, 17/07/25 - See email sent 02/05/25. 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.

Year 6 Graduation, 17/07/25 from 5pm to 6.30pm - Please see email sent today (11/06/25). You do not need to book tickets for the graduation but please be aware that there is limited space in the school hall.

Other

Y4/5/6 Choir and Young Voices 2026 - See email sent today (11/07/25). The Year 4/5/6 Choir will begin rehearsals on **Tuesday 09/09/2025**. Rehearsals will be every Tuesday after school until **Tuesday 03/03/26** with an end goal performance on **Tuesday 10/03/26**. Please look out for further information and ParentPay sign up in September. If your child is keen to start learning the songs, Young Voices have released a playlist of songs on Spotify at the link below:

<https://open.spotify.com/album/0XQu60fO5OytaX3NNZaA9x>

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.

CREATIVE ARTS



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

CREATIVE ARTS NEWS

Several of our 3 pupils are taking part in an exhibition of art work for our pupils across the trust. The exhibition is on at CityScreen in the upstairs corridor and is free to visit while the building is open. It will be shown from Sunday 6th July to Saturday 18th July so please do visit!

On Wednesday 9th July, a number of pupils from Years 2, 4 and 6 will attend the Excel Trust Annual Sports Fest at York High School. This year the event ends with a sponsored fun run. All pupils in the Trust voted for a choice of charities and the one chosen this year was UNICEF. You can support our runners with a donation here:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/excel-sports-fest?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL

KEY DATES



YEAR	DATE(S)	ACTIVITY
Nursery		
Reception		
Year 1		
Year 2		
Year 3		
Year 4		
Year 5	16/03/26 to 20/03/26	Barcelona 2026
Year 6	15/07/25 16/07/25 17/07/25 17/07/25	6pm - Year 6 Play 1.30 and 6pm - Year 6 Play Crucial Crew Trip 5-6.30pm - Y6 Graduation
The School House		
Other		

FRIENDS OF KNAVESMIRE

UPDATE

Who would have thought Yorkshire can produce this weather ;) We hope you stayed all cool (somehow) enjoyed today's icecream afternoon.

Most of you should already know but we wanted to remind everyone that due to a relatively slow start to the summer raffle and quite poor sales so far we have decided to postpone the draw by a few days. We will now be picking the winners after the Y6 graduation next Thursday, 17 July, at 6.45pm. You will have till then to buy and drop off your raffle tickets. So have another think and get your tickets, if you haven't already got them, to be in with a chance to win one of our fantastic prizes. Thank you so much for your continued support.

We also wanted to announce that there will be another Inflatable Run at the beginning of the next term, on the 20 September. Lucy who has kindly organised the run last year and who has amazingly volunteered to do it again, is looking to build a team across all year groups this year. Hence, if you're interested to join the fun then please keep an eye out for more information on how to contact her and when exactly it'll be all happening.

Lastly, please be reminded that the uniform rack will be tidied away next Friday for the duration of the holidays. If you still have any clothes you would like to donate before the end of term then please do it before Friday as this would be really helpful. Otherwise it'll of course be back in the first week of the new term in September.

Have a good weekend and enjoy the sunshine ☀️



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

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

NEWS FROM KCKC

A quick reminder: we stop serving breakfast at 8:30am. This gives us enough time to get our breakfast clubbers into school on time!

A big THANK YOU to parents for clearing the playground at home time. This gives Kids Club a chance to run around while staff can keep track of which children are with us. Thank you again for your ongoing support.

Gates!

When Kids Club is in the playground please note all side gates will be locked and the main gate is the only open exit. Always make staff aware of who you are and who you are there to collect, thank you.

Show and Tell!

Reception, Yrs 1 & 2 have show and tell on a Wednesday afternoon at Kids Club! We're changing things a little and asking the children to only show things they have made. We can't wait to see what wonderful creations arrive!

Exciting news...

Our chalkboard wall paint has arrived for the big canteen... watch this space!

Lastly, thank you to those of you who send your children to Kids Club. Without them we wouldn't get to enjoy our super fun jobs!

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

Happy Friday! We have been finding every way possible to keep cool this last couple of days and we hope you manage to enjoy the sunshine this weekend.

It has been a wonderful week in Nursery as we began our end of year video in our incredible tie dye t-shirts! The children have worked really hard to remember the makaton signs and we cannot wait to share this with you.

On Thursday morning, the blue group enjoyed their final Forest School session of the year. They learnt about how to stay safe around fire and then practised these skills as they toasted marshmallows!

Have a wonderful weekend! ☀️

RECEPTION MESSAGES

We have had a wonderful penultimate week of term, we have learnt about North and South America in Big Idea lessons, Vikings toasted MARshmallows in Forest School, we have been enjoying playing lots of classic games on the Muga and lots and lots of singing! For the performance on Monday, we aim to start at 1:45. If you are helping us to walk down and back again please come to school for 1:25. Next Thursday we are having a movie afternoon, children can bring in a stuffed animal, this will need to be a sensible size and fit in or on top of our lockers. As much as we'd love to, we do not have the space for 62 giant teddies! At the time, the children asked to bring blankets in but with it being so hot we ask that they only bring in a Teddy/animal

Have a wonderful weekend and we'll see you next week!

YEAR 1 MESSAGES

This week, we have learnt how to login on the Chromebooks, use a password and access Google Classroom. This has been lots of fun and everyone has worked really hard to remember how to find what they need.

During our Maths lessons we have been using different vocabulary to describe how full different containers are.

As the weather is predicted to be hot again next week, please make sure your child brings a hat and water bottle to school.

Reading books and fluency work have not been sent home this week as we are now collecting and sorting for next year. Please also look for any library books that may still be at home and return them before the end of term. We will be sending books home next Thursday. To help make this as easy as possible, please make sure your child brings a carrier/re-usable bag to school for Thursday.

Thank you for your support and have a great weekend from the Year One team.

YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



YEAR 2 MESSAGES

Year 2 have had a brilliant week rounding off our learning ahead of the summer break. In Maths, we've been busy revisiting key concepts with time and calculating fraction of amounts. The children also completed a times tables assessment to consolidate their learning. In English, we've been focusing on spelling and grammar. The children have been learning how to use apostrophes correctly, spelling words with suffixes and writing sentences using common exception words. They've shown lots of care in their writing and are becoming much more accurate. The children have been working brilliantly as a team during our Rounders lessons, applying their throwing, catching and fielding skills in a match setting. In our Big Idea lessons, we've started developing our word processing skills which we know will be an ongoing practice!

We will be sending home the children's log in details for them to access Numbergym over the summer holidays if they wish. There is no pressure to do so however we know there are some children in the cohort who are eager to do this, with older siblings at home. We will help the children to log in at school next week so they will be familiar with the website.

We enjoyed another lovely transition session on Wednesday - the children were really excited to see their new learning environments for next year! It was Miss Walls' last day on Friday with 2G - we really appreciate all of her hard work in supporting the children's learning and we wish her the best for her future.

We have not sent the children home with a new levelled reading book this week as we are hopeful that we can spend the next week chasing up the missing books ahead of the summer break. Please can we encourage you to have a final look for any school books that need to be returned? Next week we will be sending the children home with books, bags and belongings! We will try our best to spread this out over the week however please can we ask for every child to bring a plastic bag into school on Tuesday, in preparation for this!

YEAR 3 MESSAGES

Year 3 have had another fun-filled week! In Writing, they've looked at the rules for direct speech and have begun to think about the opening dialogue for their narrative. In Maths, the children have started to look at the Year 4 calculation for addition. In Big Idea, the children looked at human and physical geographical features and compared Knaresborough to Bebra in Germany. In PE, the children enjoyed running their final Golden Mile of Year 3 on Wednesday and their penultimate swimming lesson on Thursday morning. 3U enjoyed Forest School this week, where they learned how to use a compass and studied different maps. Next week, both classes will enjoy their final Forest School session together in Rowntree Park.

There will be no set homework this week but if the children would like to continue their learning at home, please feel free to revise times tables on Numbergym/TT Rockstars. Spelling shed is available for spelling revision too.

As always, if you have any questions or queries about anything at all, please don't hesitate to contact or speak to a member of the Year 3 Team.

We hope you have a wonderful weekend!

The Year 3 Team.

YEAR 4 MESSAGES

Year 4's penultimate week of term has been an exploration of fantastical places. Each class spent a day in a drama workshop from the Theatre Royal, where we explored what it might be like to be in Wonderland, having a Mad Hatter's tea party and playing bizarre games. In the afternoon, we took part in drama based around the Wizard of Oz, which we performed in front of our class.

In the Big Idea, we have loved making our "Fantastical Worlds in a Box", engaging our imaginations and DT skills to create idyllic, scary and funny imaginary places.

In Writing, we have written the first chapter of a fantastical novel, which the children are encouraged to continue writing, if desired, in the summer.

YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



YEAR 5 MESSAGES

The French Cafe day was a great success thanks to all the hard work of the children. They certainly enjoyed the benefits of all the adults visiting their cafe with the amount of croissants and biscuits being carried around!

We have focused on using negative numbers in context and adding and subtracting decimals during maths sessions.

During reading lessons, we have created our own questions for each other based on a fantasy text. Also, we have looked at some of the hidden messages in The Creakers and how they could be interpreted.

There is no homework set this week!

Have a brilliant weekend,

The Year 5 Team.

YEAR 6 MESSAGES

What a fantastic week it's been for our Year 6 children! They've been working so hard on their final dress rehearsals, and their costumes look absolutely brilliant — we can't wait for you to see the performances next week.

The children received their SATs results on Tuesday, and a print-out of their results is included in their report envelope. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them for their hard work, determination and positive attitude throughout. On Thursday, we enjoyed our Year 6 Treat Trip to Hollywood Bowl, and it was great fun! The children had a wonderful time celebrating together.

Next week is set to be a busy but exciting final week for our Year 6s:

- **Tuesday:** The play will begin at 6pm
- **Wednesday:** There will be two performances of the play — at 1.30pm and again at 6pm
- **Thursday:** Crucial Crew trip to York College (AM) & Our Year 6 Graduation will take place from 4.30pm to 6pm. The ceremony will begin in the hall, followed by celebrations on the playground, where the children can enjoy the bouncy castle and ice cream van.

We're looking forward to a memorable week ahead as we celebrate the end of their time at primary school.

We have sent the children's reports home today. Please take the time to read through them and celebrate all their fantastic achievements this year. Wishing you all a lovely, sunny weekend! The Year 6 Team

THE SCHOOL HOUSE MESSAGES

We have had another lovely week in the School House!

This week, we have sketched and painted our very own pictures of coastlines. We have also been preparing a lot for transition! We have created balloon images of everything that lifts us up and bookmarks.

Our week ended with a lovely trip along the River Ouse! We enjoyed an open top river cruise in the sunshine where we learnt lots about rivers and what causes flooding in York.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

School House Team.

YEAR 6 TRANSITION INFORMATION



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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5th 12th
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at our Elvington shop
6 appointment slots per hour

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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.



**Child
OVER 5**

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

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

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

REGISTER YOUR CHILD TODAY

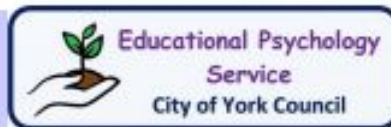
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COMMUNITY MESSAGES



Educational Psychology (EP) Support Line

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

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

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in the next steps
we can take"

"I felt really
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supported"

Calls of up to 30 minutes are available

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

Term time only (September 2024 - July 2025)

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

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

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

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

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



Summer Reading Challenge launches 12 July!

Over the summer children are encouraged to read/share six books of their choice. There are stickers to keep them motivated, and fun activity sheets and character hunts in libraries to complete, and a medal and certificate for all who finish by Saturday 13 September.

All participants will be entered into our weekly summer prize draws and we have some fantastic family tickets up for grabs – including tickets to York Maze, Cinderella at The Grand Opera House, Aqua Splash, Roller Skating, Clip 'n' Climb, and Wonderlab!

Children who are read to or read regularly are more likely to thrive and not just academically. They gain better emotional wellbeing, increased confidence, reduced stress, and a greater imagination! And it's not just the children who benefit – curling up with a good book gives adults chance to slow down, relax, and take a break from the world.



To sign up to the Summer Reading Challenge or to join your library just pop into your nearest branch – it's free, simple, and everyone is welcome.



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Coaches you can trust

All sessions are led by DBS-checked, expert instructors who have already helped hundreds of local children thrive through Brazilian Jiu Jitsu. We're here to support every child, whether they're shy, energetic, or somewhere in between.



Ages 3 to 14 – Start Strong This September

With the school year just around the corner, September is the perfect time to begin something new.

Our kids' programme runs from ages 3 to 14, with age-specific classes that help each child progress at the right pace, in the right environment. Give your child a head start with new skills, new friends, and a confidence boost they'll carry into the classroom.



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SUMMER HOLIDAYS



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Class Duration: 45 minutes
Class Size: 7 children per class and only 1 class running
Location: Carr Junior School
Dates: 4-8 August and 18-22 August
Time: 9.30 am - 12.30 pm

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July 22nd, 23rd and 25th
 August 19th, 20th and 22nd

Outdoor nature fun for kids this summer. Join us for games, activities and a campfire lunch.

Family sessions 10 - 12.30
 Sessions for children aged 8+ 12:30 - 3pm

Only £7.50 per child or free with a HAF voucher. Visit www.stnicks.org.uk for more details and to book




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.yorksj.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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MON 4TH - FRI 8TH AUGUST 2025**

TO SIGN UP & REGISTER INTEREST: bit.ly/SHSCAug25

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SUMMER HOLIDAY MULTI-SPORT CAMPS

AGES 3-16

WEEK 1: 14th - 18th July 2025 (M-F)

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MORNING CAMP: 9am-12pm

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- Every **Monday** from 3.3.25 - **Junior** sessions
Red group (3.45pm- 4.45pm), ages 5-7
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- 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

ROWNTREE PARK TENNIS CLUB

Summer holiday tennis camps



Starting Tuesday 22nd July and running throughout the summer.

Ages
5 - 14

- Full week, full day and half day options available
- 10% sibling discount
- 10% discount for members of RPTC
- Scan the QR or go to the RPTC website for prices, timings and booking details
- For enquiries, please contact coach Jill Le Pla: jlptenniscoaching@gmail.com



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>
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Summer AGES 5-11

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BOOTHAM SCHOOL
AGES 3-18

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Open booking begins at 8.00am on Monday 9th June 2025.

Contact Catherine for further details of the programme or to book a place: e-mail: catherine@boothamswimschool.co.uk
tel: 07923 416425 / 01904 686629

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NOW THEN!
A FUN DAY FOR ALL THE FAMILY
FREE

SUMMER FIELDS FESTIVAL

**SUNDAY 13TH JULY
1-8PM**
TADCASTER COMMUNITY SPORTS TRUST (MAGNETS)

FEATURING
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Take part in the 'Wonderful Wheels' community parade through Tadcaster...

...arrive at the festival site for a jam-packed day of fun and creativity for all the family.

Groove to the music, take part in workshops for all ages, bring a picnic or browse the food vans, catch some brilliant theatre or simply chill out with friends and family and enjoy the vibe.

Line up includes: New York Brass Band, Hyde Family Jam, Ghetto Fabulous Family Catwalk, RICE Street Artist, Marnie Glum, VR Pilot Theatre, Family theatre from Next Door But One and Thunk-it Theatre, Say Owt Spoken Word, York Dance Space, Walkabout Acts and more!

Co-programmed with a community steering group and youth consultation from Tadcaster Grammar School, in partnership with Now Then! Tadcaster, The Barn and ARCADE.

Full line up, parade sign ups and FREE tickets here.




www.hello-arcade.com/projects/summer-fields-festival



SUMMER CONCERT

YORK SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

**Saturday 12th July
at 7:30pm**
Sir Jack Lyons Concert Hall
University of York

Grieg: Peer Gynt Suite, No. 1, Op. 46
Dukas: The Sorcerer's Apprentice
Suk: Symphony No. 2 in C minor, 'Asrael', Op. 27

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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
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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



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FOR CHILDREN AGED 3-12 YEARS

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14 June - 13 July

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£10 entry fee | £75 minimum fundraising goal

Want to get involved?

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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)

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Free!
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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/
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4 July 2025



**Parent Carer Forum York**

NEWSLETTER

✉ Connect@pcforyork.co.uk

Exciting Competition!
York's new SEND hub needs a name!

City of York Council is creating a new flagship hub for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) in York and their families. The Clifton Family Hub will become the new SEND hub, where you and your family will be able to get lots of information, advice and support.

Before we can tell everyone about the new SEND hub, it needs a name!

To enter the competition, please fill in the form at the end of our newsletter and email your child or young person's idea to Claire Kenny, SEND Hub Manager: claire.kenny@york.gov.uk. **The competition closes on Monday 7 July.**

The winner will be invited to support the grand opening of the SEND hub and will win a £50 Amazon voucher!

Joint Partnership News
PCF York and City of York Council

City of York Council is prioritising Joint Partnership working and PCF York have worked with Laura Brown, Participation and Engagement Officer for CYC, to review the ongoing training and audit tool which if followed and implemented effectively will accredit CYC services with a Joint Partnership Working stamp. PCF will work with CYC to review the service audits twice a year. Services can also make use of a bespoke support offer, where Laura will signpost to PCF for direct involvement to ensure that lived experience informs relevant plans across the partnership.

Childcare Needs Survey

City of York Council want to hear from parent/carers about their needs regarding early years and childcare places in York, to help the local authority plan for sufficient high quality early years and childcare places across the city.

Answers will be kept confidential and parents/carers will not be identified in any way in the reporting and use of this survey.

Click here to complete the survey.
The survey will take around 10 minutes and closes on 18th July 2025.

Your Voice Matters
Join York's New SEND Youth Forum
[Click here to find out more.](#)

**York SEND Local Offer**

City of York Council would like to hear your feedback on the **York SEND Local Offer Website**. **Please complete the short survey before the 9th July to share your views.**

www.parentcarerforumyork.org

www.facebook.com/groups/pcforyork

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4 July 2025



**Parent Carer Forum York**

NEWSLETTER

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Research Study
for children with ADHD aged 7-11



JOIN OUR PUBLIC GROUP INVOLVEMENT

We're looking for children with ADHD aged 7-11 and their parents or carers to join our public involvement group. The group will help us run a research study about future activity boxes for children with ADHD and their families. We'll cover your travel expenses and give you a voucher to thank you for attending.

WHEN	WHERE
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14th August 2025 10am-12pm	
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8th April 2026 4:30pm-5:30pm	
18th July 2026 4:30pm-5:30pm	
9th October 2026 4:30pm-5:30pm	
14th January 2027 4:30pm-5:30pm	

TO FIND OUT MORE Contact e.kingsley@rhe.net
Ellen Kingsley 07870992859

Oscars Pathway charity is expanding its services to York. Plans are for a new disability day centre for adults with a severe learning disability, autism and complex sensory and communication needs (age 16+). Activities are all sensory based with a focus on developing engagement, communication and independence. For more info and to be put on the waiting list, please email hannah@thesiblinggroup.org.



York FIS Newsletter
[Click here to sign up.](#)

York Family Information Service's newsletter is for families with children, from pregnancy up to 19 years old, or 25 years old if the child or young person has special educational needs. **Subscribe** to receive a fortnightly e-newsletter keeping you up-to-date information on services, groups, activities, parenting, health and more!

Family Fund
Helping disabled children
'Your Opportunity'
Grant Applications Open

The *Your Opportunity* grants programme supports disabled and seriously ill young adults, aged 18 to 24, who are living at home.

Families caring for a disabled young person in the UK and living on a low income can apply for a grant to support their child's independence, interests and ambitions. Grant items include things like digital equipment, musical instruments, clubs and activities, sports equipment, driving ambitions, bedroom furniture, white goods and more.

Parents and carers can apply for this grant programme here.

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The Clifton Family Hub will become the new SEND hub, where you and your family will be able to get lots of information, advice and support.

But before we can tell everyone about the new hub, we need a name for it. Please support (if needed) your child or young person (under the age of 25) to come up with their idea for a name, completing and returning the form below. The winner will be invited to support the grand opening of the SEND hub and will win a £50 Amazon voucher.

Email your suggestion to claire.kenny@york.gov.uk by Monday 7 July.

Your idea for the SEND Hub name
Name of Child / Young Person
Contact telephone and email (so we can contact the winner)

I give permission for my child/ young person to enter the competition and understand in doing so, the information shared in the entry will be saved for the purpose of choosing the best name for the SEND hub. The winner will receive a £50 Amazon voucher and will be invited to lead in the grand opening of the SEND hub in September 2025 where there may be a local media presence, and additional consent will be sought for any photos taken.

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2-2.45pm 4-5 & 6-7 years
3-4pm 8-10/11-14 years

 Book in advance using the QR code. Limited spaces will be available for turning up on the day. Parental supervision is required for 11 and under.
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Thursdays
31st July, 14th + 28th August
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3-4pm 8-10/11-14 years

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**HOMESTEAD PARK (PLAY AREA)
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Tuesdays
29th July, 12th + 26th August
10-10.45am 4-5/6-7 years
11-12pm 8-10/11-14 years

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COMMUNITY MESSAGES

Happy Healthy Holidays

WHAT: Holiday football fun course
WHEN: Tuesday 22nd - Friday 25th July
WHERE: Huntington Secondary School, YO32 9WT
TIME: 10-3pm

REFRESHMENTS: Water, Snacks and packed lunch will be provided

WHO: Families eligible for benefits-related free school meals living in York



How to book:
 Please use your voucher code
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These Free holiday Activities are designed to give young people the opportunity to get active using football as the tool in a FUN, SAFE and SECURE environment.

If you would like any further information or to book in ADVANCE please contact
inclusion@yorkcityfcfoundation.co.uk



Happy Healthy Holidays

WHAT: Holiday football fun course
WHEN: Monday 28th - Thursday 31st July
WHERE: Millthorpe Secondary School, 3G Pitch, YO23 1WF
TIME: 10-3pm

REFRESHMENTS: Water, Snacks and packed lunch will be provided

WHO: Families eligible for benefits-related free school meals living in York



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WHAT: Holiday football fun course
WHEN: Monday 4th - Thursday 7th August
WHERE: Millthorpe Secondary School, 3G Pitch, YO23 1WF
TIME: 10-3pm

REFRESHMENTS: Water, Snacks and packed lunch will be provided

WHO: Families eligible for benefits-related free school meals living in York



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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 are speech sounds made?

How do speech sounds develop?

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 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

York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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 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.



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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