

# Knavesmire Primary School

## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 19th April 2024

### Mr Cooper and Mr Gardiner's Message

Happy Friday!

As I look out at the sunshine this afternoon, I'm trying to work out how many seasons of weather we've had in the past few days. Who knows?!

We've had some fantastic learning this week as we are well and truly into the groove with this term's Big ideas. We were also pleased to welcome in a STEM ambassador to Year 5 and a Cricket coach into KS1 this week as part of our enriching curriculum. We are also really proud of our hockey, netball and football teams who have all competed this week.

Finally, it was a pleasure to welcome volunteers from Portakabin to the school on Wednesday. Some of their staff painted and generally spruced up the outdoor area behind the School House and it's looking fantastic.

Thanks for your ongoing support with all we do and have a lovely weekend.

Mr Gardiner



### WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEWSLETTER

We hope that the new School Newsletter format will prove helpful in better communicating information between school and home.

While ever evolving we will broadly including the following sections - please click on the links below to move directly to any section (direct links may not work on all devices):

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# WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



## FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND THE KNAVESMIRE OFFER

If your family qualifies for free school meals (aside from the universal free school meals for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) you will also qualify for The Knavesmire offer. This means, in addition to free school meals, families can be provided with:



- a school jumper **or** a school cardigan
- **a school footwear voucher**
- School milk
- **one term free swimming travel costs**
- two half-terms of free extra-curricular club participation
- **free school trips**
- negotiated costs for residential visits

Please come to the school office for a form so we can order your child's jumper/cardigan, shoe voucher and milk.

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS ELIGIBILITY

Free School Meals are automatically applied to all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. This entitlement can be extended to children where families are in receipt of certain benefits and earnings do not exceed a threshold. These benefits include:

**Universal Credit, Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Child Tax Credit (but not Working Tax Credit)**

North Yorkshire County Council have launched an online portal for free school meal applications that will give you an instant decision on whether your application is successful:

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals>

## NURSERY CONSULTATION

As per separate communication earlier this week, Knavesmire is considering both a term-time wrap around facility for its existing nursery AND the possibility of extending to a 2 year old setting.

Your **feedback** is essential to the next steps of building on our existing provision. Could we please ask that anyone with interest, or potential interest, in using a Nursery provision complete the questionnaire linked below:

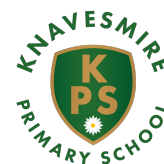
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## SCHOOL OFFICE MESSAGES

\*Please remember to include your child's full name and class when sending messages to school to ensure that we can direct them to the right people.

\*If your child is not in school first thing, please remember to inform us of their lunch choice before 10.30am. Children will always be fed but this ensures they get the meal of their choice.

# WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION



## SCHOOL LIBRARY

**Your School Library Needs You!** More details in 'The Library Dispatch' Newsletter, sent today, on how you can help decorate our newly painted Library.

**We have a lot of overdue Library books at the moment - reminders to follow this term.** If you have any Library books at home they can be returned to the drop-box in the School Office at any time.

## CLOTHES LABELS

If you'd like to order name labels for clothing etc, you may want to use <https://www.stikins.co.uk> as the school will receive 30% commission to put towards school funds from every order where the fundraising number is quoted. **Our Fundraising Number Is: 11349**

## CLOTHES BANK

Our fundraising and recycling clothes bank is situated at the entrance of the car park to the rear of the school. Please click on the following link to see Mrs Wogan-Wells from Y6 explain a little more about how it all works.

<https://online.fundraiserecycleltd.co.uk/bank?bankId=KnavesmirePrimary-School>

Please use the facility to donate any unwanted clothes.

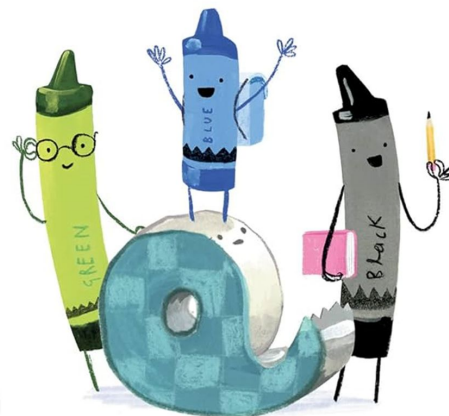
## REFUGEE APPEAL

THE WINTER CLOTHES AND SHOES NEEDED APPEAL IS UP AND RUNNING AGAIN. Donations for all age groups will go to the refugee home in Bradford. Please drop any donations into the school office foyer. **Please make sure all donations are as good as new or new, washed and clean.** There is no capacity to wash once donated so this is really important. Underwear and toiletries including sanitary items are always needed and have to be new. Donations for men in particular are harder to get and most needed. Thank you so much!

## OFFICE ADMIN

If you've moved house or changed phone number recently please remember to update the school office with your new details.

The CRAYONS  
GO BACK TO SCHOOL



## HEALTH AND WELLBEING

### NITS

Please be extra vigilant in checking your child's hair, we have an increasing amount of cases throughout the school. 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!

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

### SCHOOL MILK

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

## LOST PROPERTY

Thank you all for your continued efforts in naming clothing coming into school, there's been a substantial decrease in the amount of lost property we usually have!

Please check the Friends of Knavesmire Facebook page to view any valuable #lostandfound items. Any pieces of unnamed uniform are either recycled into the clothes bank or added to the Friends clothes rail in the office and sold to raise funds for the school.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/140233959376362/permalink/6818721288194229/>

# TRIPS, ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCES

## Year 2

Trip to Scarborough on 06/06/24 - Full information to follow soon.

## Year 3

Eureka Trip on Wed 24/04/24 - See separate email sent today. Please give consent and make payment ASAP if you have not already.

## Year 4

Robin Hood's Bay on 15/07/24 to 17/07/24 - Please make sure you are up to date with your payment plan.

## Year 5

Carlton Lodge on 22/05/24 to 24/05/24 - Please ensure you are up to date with your payment plan.

MAT Arts Fest 2024 at York Barbican on 09/07/24 - See email sent 13/03/24 for full information.

## Year 6

### Late Music Concert on Saturday 27/04/24

Year 6 have been working really hard on their compositions for the Late Music Concert on Saturday 27th April 2024. Next week will be the last workshop session before the concert. If any children are using their own instruments, please can they bring them into school next Monday ahead of their music lesson. Below are all the details required ahead of the concert day:

For children attending the concert on the 27th, please arrive at Millthorpe school at 10:45am for a prompt rehearsal starting at 11am. This will then be followed by the concert starting at 1pm and ending at 2pm.

Family and friends attending the concert can still purchase ticket for £5 each by following the link:

<https://latemusic.org/york-late-music-education-concert/>

Many thanks

Mr Sherwin

## School House

School House Trip for Inclusive Cycling Session at York Sports Village on Thursday 09/05/24 - See email sent 16/04/24.

Please give consent on ParentPay by Monday 22/04/24

## Other

South Bank Trust Sports Fest on 11/06/24 - This is for 12 pupils from Years 2, 4 and 6. Parents of these children have been contacted by email.

### Brass lessons in School

As well as our existing peripatetic music teachers we are going to be having a brass tutor from York Music Education who will offer brass lessons to pupils from Year 1 upwards. If you would like your child to learn a brass lesson in school with the tutor please follow the link to complete the form (instrument hire can also be arranged through York Music Ed):

<https://yorkmusiced.org.uk/index.php/what-we-do/york-music-centre/enrolment-form>

# CLUBS

## Dance with Miss Caroline

Miss Caroline runs drama, cheerleading and street dance clubs for all school aged children on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday lunchtime and after school on a Tuesday and Wednesday.

To sign up please follow the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/r/EcTcaRbU9c>

## CLUBS IN SCHOOL

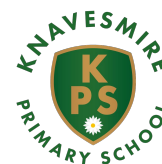
The following clubs and music lesson are run in school by external organisations. Please contact them directly for more information or to book a place.

Organisation	Activity	Contact details
Ignite Sports	Ignite run sports clubs after school on a Monday and Friday and also on a Friday lunchtime.	You can sign up for these sessions on Ignite's website. <a href="http://www.ignitesportscoaching.co.uk">www.ignitesportscoaching.co.uk</a> or email: <a href="mailto:info@ignitesportscoaching.co.uk">info@ignitesportscoaching.co.uk</a>
Dance with Miss Caroline	Miss Caroline runs drama, cheerleading and street dance clubs for all school aged children on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday lunchtime and after school on a Tuesday and Wednesday.	To sign up for these sessions please follow this link <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/EcTcaRbU9c">https://forms.office.com/r/EcTcaRbU9c</a> or for more info, email Miss Caroline: <a href="mailto:dancewithmisscaroline@outlook.com">dancewithmisscaroline@outlook.com</a>
Circus Skills	Circus Stu runs a circus skills club for all school aged children. This takes place on a Friday lunchtime.	To sign up please email Stu: <a href="mailto:stuart@circusskillsyorkcic.org">stuart@circusskillsyorkcic.org</a> or go to the website: <a href="http://www.circusskillsyorkcic.org">www.circusskillsyorkcic.org</a>
Rocksteady	Rocksteady are in Knavesmire on a Wednesday in school hours. Children can choose from the electric guitar, keyboard, drums or vocals.	For more information and to sign up, go to Rocksteady's website: <a href="http://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com">www.rocksteadymusicschool.com</a>
Clare's Kitchen	Clare runs sessions for all school aged children after school on a Monday. These sessions give children the opportunity to plan, prepare & cook their own nutritional meal, then dine together.	To sign up please email Clare: <a href="mailto:clareskitchen@yahoo.co.uk">clareskitchen@yahoo.co.uk</a>
Chess Club	This club is run on Tuesday and Thursdays after school for years 1,2 and 3. The clubs are run by Larry, a parent volunteer. The club is currently full, however, Larry would love more helpers at the sessions so he can accommodate more children.	If you are interested in being a parent helper please contact Larry by email. <a href="mailto:shroud.king@gmail.com">shroud.king@gmail.com</a>

## MUSIC LESSONS IN SCHOOL

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

# KEY DATES



YEAR	DATE(S)	ACTIVITY
<b>Nursery</b>		
<b>Reception</b>		
<b>Year 1</b>	25/04/24	1H Forest School
<b>Year 2</b>	06/06/24 13/06/24 20/06/24 27/06/24	Trip to Scarborough. Forest School Forest School Forest School
<b>Year 3</b>	24/04/24	Trip to Eureka
<b>Year 4</b>	02/05/24 23/05/24 3-14/06/24  15 - 17/07/24	Ancient Greek Dress Up Day Festival Day 3rd June to 14th June: Multiplication tables check (please be practicing Soundchecks and times tables at home wherever possible) Robin Hood's Bay Trip.
<b>Year 5</b>	22 -24/05/24 14/06/24 02/07/24 09/07/24 11/07/24 18/07/24	Carlton Lodge Brownlee Triathlon - more details to follow closer to the time. French Cafe Day @ Millthorpe School - full information to follow soon. MAT Arts Fest 2024 at York Barbican. Playhouse Project - all day - full information to follow soon. Forest School - all day
<b>Year 6</b>	27/04/24	Late Music Concert at Millthorpe School
<b>The School House</b>	09/05/24	Inclusive Cycling Session at York Sports Village
<b>Other</b>	01/06/24 11/06/24	Samba band performing at York Pride South Bank Trust Sports Fest for 12 pupils from Y2, 4, 6.



# COOL KIDS CLUB

Bookings are now open for the Summer Term. Please visit <https://www.knavesmireprimary.co.uk/community/kckc> and complete the relevant form.



# YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



## NURSERY MESSAGES

Hello Nursery!

What a wonderful week we've had, we've continued with our new big idea all about minibeasts! The children created their very own hungry caterpillars using fruit and veg sticks and have been experimenting with repeated patterns by printing caterpillars too!

In phonics we've looked at the phoneme 'w' and continue to work on alliteration, syllables and rhyme every day! We've launched our name writing practice and we're working on encouraging the children to use the pincer grip as well developing correct letter formation.

In PE we built an obstacle course and the children loved balancing, jumping and stepping over the different equipment enjoying the element of challenge!

We hope you enjoy your weekend whatever you get up to!

Miss Copping and the Nursery Team ❤️

## RECEPTION MESSAGES

We have had another great week in Reception! In Maths, we have been practising doubling and number bonds to 10, in Literacy we have been writing sentences and in phonics we have been reading words with adjacent consonants. In Big Idea, we have continued to learn about the cress and we have had the exciting arrival of our butterflies! We are going on a local trip to Rowntree Park to sketch flowers and nature on Thursday 16th May from 1:10-3pm. If you are able to come please let a member of the reception team know, we need 12 volunteers. Have a great weekend!

The Reception Team

## YEAR 1 MESSAGES

We have had a busy week in Year One! In Maths, we have been looking at counting in multiples of 10, exploring the language of equal and unequal as well as using repeated addition to find answers. In English, the children enjoyed creating 3 changes to the original story of Jack and the Beanstalk and they have written some brilliant sentences which we have loved reading. In Big Idea, we found out about what plants need to grow and how we can look after seeds and bulbs for them to become mature plants. Next Thursday afternoon, it will be Forest School for 1H. Please can you make sure your child has a coat in case it rains! Many thanks. We hope you have a lovely weekend.

The Year One team.



# YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



## YEAR 2 MESSAGES

This week, year 2 have been learning more about Lego. We have looked at the manufacturing process of Lego as well as exploring the properties of plastic and other materials. We did an experiment to look at materials that are similar to Lego and which ones would be suitable to make our own Lego next week. In maths we have been recapping our time knowledge and we have made our own clocks which we can use at home to keep practicing. In English we have been continuing with our narrative unit by practicing our editing skills and planning our own narrative to write next week. Have a great weekend!

The Year 2 Team

## YEAR 3 MESSAGES

We have enjoyed putting and chipping in our Tri-Golf Pe lessons this week (despite the wind!). During our English lessons, we have focused on the importance of being specific when setting instructions. In Maths, we have looked at Roman numerals and how to tell the time on an analogue and digital clock (hour, half past, 5 minutes past etc). We have also converted between days, months and years. This week, we have carried on learning about food groups and eating a balanced diet. As part of this we designed and made our own scones. We are looking forward to our trip to Eureka! next Wednesday and we will study why we have skeletons and how they are useful next week. We will then move on to how our bodies move and how we digest food over the based on our learning from the trip. Maths homework is ONLINE this week. There is a task linked to telling the time and a 8x task. We will now cover more than one X table a week in class to continue to improve fluency. Spelling homework is homophones and there is a bonus SPaG quiz on Spelling Shed which will consolidate the learning we have been doing on conjunctions. Have a great weekend,

The Year 3 Team

## YEAR 4 MESSAGES

Year 4 have continued our Ancient Greece theme this week, with a particular focus on Ancient Greek life and the Olympics. The children have particularly enjoyed brushing up their distance running and sprinting skills in PE as part of this theme. In Writing, Year 4 have been developing their narrative-writing skills, using figurative language and speech to build up to the problem in their narratives about Hercules vs Hydra. They have used some wonderful similes, metaphors and onomatopoeia to create vivid images of the scene. In Maths, we have looked further into decimals. We have ordered and compared decimals, rounded to the nearest whole number and converted fractions to decimals. Next week within school, we will be sharing with the children what the expectations will be for the multiplication check (3rd-14th June) so that they are familiar with the setup. We will be practicing at every opportunity in school, but please can we ask that the children are practicing as much as they can at home in preparation. The Big Idea has been focused around what life was like for Ancient Greek children and what did the Ancient Greeks do for entertainment, featuring some Ancient Greek games. On Thursday 2nd May, we will be holding an Ancient Greek-themed day. Children will participate in a range of activities to deepen and enhance their knowledge and understanding of life then. Children are invited to come in dressed (if they wish) as an Ancient Greek citizen, a god/goddess or even a mythical creature. These do not need to be elaborate - just a large t-shirt with a belt tied around will be fine!

The Year 4 Team

# YEAR GROUP MESSAGES



## YEAR 5 MESSAGES

This week, Year 5 explored the local area by conducting some fieldwork along Bishopthorpe Road and around Rowntree Park. In Rowntree Park, they had to identify and label human and physical features onto a map. All the children represented themselves amazingly on the trip and were a credit to the school! On Wednesday, we enjoyed hearing from Sam Wadstar who came in to talk to us about user experience. In Maths, we have been finding missing angles and in writing we have been creating leaflets about how to be an explorer. Unfortunately, we have had to say goodbye to Miss Downend (5U's student teacher) today as she has finished her final placement with us - good luck Miss Downend!

As always, we hope you have a safe, relaxing and fun weekend.

See you on Monday,

The Year 5 Team

## YEAR 6 MESSAGES

Year 6 have had a very busy week this week! In English, we have been creating mystery descriptions based on the very mysterious film 'Roads End'. The children's writing is amazing and has kept us on the edge of our seats reading it. In Maths, we have been revising angles, algebra and arithmetic strategies. In Big Idea, we have started our new Big Idea 'What Makes us Human?' Over the course of the week, we have conducted lots of experiments linked to the functions of the human body- the digestive system experiment was a particular hit as the children learnt what happens to their food once it is eaten. Homework this week will be arithmetic and SPAG revision.

Have a wonderful weekend,  
Year 6 Team.

## THE SCHOOL HOUSE MESSAGES

The School House has had a very busy week and they have continued their learning about the Olympic Games. This week, the children have practised Indoor Curling as well as Ancient Greek Long Jump (holding weights as you jump). In English, the children have been practising writing persuasive letters and they will use this to help them write to the International Olympic Committee (IOC) to persuade them that York should be the next city to host the Olympics!

We are very grateful for the help from Portakabin on Wednesday as a team of their volunteers came to the School House to help improve our outdoor area. We really appreciate their time and hard work and the children love their newly improved garden!

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

Have a wonderful weekend,  
The School House Team

# School House



**WILD THINGS**  
EXPLORING • PLAY • LEARNING

**Forest school  
inspired sessions**

nature crafts • mud kitchen  
campfire • seasonal activities

For children 18 mths to 4 years  
Wild Things' site just off Scarcroft Road, York



## COMMUNITY MESSAGES



**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 PE Kit available for all year groups from September**


**Book Today**  
to secure your slot

**SATURDAY SATURDAY**  
**25<sup>th</sup> May 1<sup>st</sup> June**  
**8am to 4pm**  
**at our Elvington shop**  
6 appointment slots per hour

Book Now at  
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or call  
**01904 607331**



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Book now via ParentPay  
alternatively pop in to Main Reception or email  
[Library@yorkhigh.southbank.academy](mailto:Library@yorkhigh.southbank.academy)

## COMMUNITY MESSAGES

**ignite**  
SPORTS COACHING

**MAY HALF TERM  
MULTI-SPORT CLUBS**

**TUESDAY 28TH MAY - FRIDAY 31ST MAY**

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**RUGBEES GIRLS  
RUGBY LEAGUE**



**Rugby League skills and fun sessions for Primary  
School-aged Girls**

Who: Girls aged 7 -11 years  
Where: York St John University  
Sports Park, YO31 8TA  
When: Every Monday from 22nd  
April, 7-8 pm  
Cost: £3 per session



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RUGBY LEAGUE



# COMMUNITY MESSAGES

Working in Partnership



## TIME OUT FOR PARENTS TASTER SESSION: Parenting children with Additional Needs



**SIGN UP  
TODAY**



Full course coming soon!

Parenting is full of surprises.  
When you have a child with  
Additional Needs, then each day is  
packed with them! Amazing things  
and challenging things. Precious  
moments and confusing ones.

JOIN US FOR A CUPPA & CHAT  
9am coffee 9.30-11am workshop  
TUES 7th MAY  
@ Scarcroft Primary School

Share stories & pick up tips.  
Take time out to support you and  
your family!

## THE LITTLE GYM CAMPS FOR CHILDREN AGED 3-12 YEARS

OUR NEXT CAMPS ARE IN MAY HALF-TERM:  
27TH – 31ST MAY

SCAN BELOW TO LEARN MORE



**The Little  
Gym**  
Serious Fun.





# COMMUNITY MESSAGES

## MESSAGES FROM THE FRIENDS OF ROWNTREE PARK



### Rowntree Park & Me

#### People of the Park!

We want to know more about you and your memories & experiences in Rowntree Park!



Complete our quick survey by scanning the QR code below and/or

Attend a drop in session on 25th or 27th of April  
Thurs 25th 1.30-3.30pm/Sat 27th 10-12pm  
at the York Explore Reading Cafe in Rowntree Park

**YORK TRAILBLAZERS**



@friendsrowntreepark



### Art Competition

#### Rowntree Park in 50 years!



Art competition for 5-16 year olds.  
More information by scanning the QR code below.



Deadline for entries 31st May 2024

**YORK TRAILBLAZERS**



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www.rowntreepark.org.uk



### Rowntree Park Scarecrow Trail

Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th May

10- 4pm



Find out more info by scanning the QR code.



www.rowntreepark.org.uk

@friendsrowntreepark



**YORK TRAILBLAZERS**

### Rowntree Park 'Trailblazers' History Project

#### Get involved!

25th April - Rowntree Park & Me - memory sharing drop in (1.30-3.30pm)

27th April - Rowntree Park & Me - memory sharing drop in (10am-12pm)

28th April - History Walking Tour (10-11.30am)

#### Rowntree Park & Me

Please fill in the quick form to share your memories of the park - whether you are 8 or 80!

#### Rowntree Park in 50 years



Art competition for 5-12 year olds (deadline 31st May)

For more info on all these - scan the QR code or head to the website!



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www.rowntreepark.org.uk

# COMMUNITY MESSAGES

 YIKS Parent Carer Forum – York  
 <https://www.parentcarerforumyork.org>



## NEWS LETTER

 [engagement@yiks.co.uk](mailto:engagement@yiks.co.uk)

### Launch Lunch

On 1st May we will launch our new Parent carer Forum, York. We hope you can join us for a celebration with other PCF members and service managers from education, health and social care. Wilberforce Trust house. 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Follow the link to book

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/parent-carer-forum-york-launch-lunch-tickets-880215437067>



### All Change

From 1st May we can be contacted at

[connect@pcfyork.co.uk](mailto:connect@pcfyork.co.uk)

### Want to find out more about the PCF ?

The PCF York is a growing organisation who work to inform senior staff in education, health and social care to ensure parent voice is represented in all current and future plans.

Involvement can be just signing up to our mailing list so we can share updates on what's happening for your families in York. Other parents enjoy attending our events or training opportunities so that they can use their lived experience

<https://www.parentcarerforumyork.org>



Next edition Friday 3rd May

18th April 2024 2024



## NEWS LETTER

### Save the Date Listening Event

Thank you to Applefields School for hosting our next listening Event with York Council on the theme of Short Breaks. This will be on Monday 13th May at 1:30 pm at Applefields School.

Details to follow.



### Working together with CYC

Maxine Squire, Assistant Director of Education, Skills and SEND would like to meet you to listen to your experiences in a range of areas and also to share some information about new materials to support the phase transfer process. This coproduction event is your opportunity to use your lived experience to work alongside CYC and inform their planning. Please email [pcf@york.co.uk](mailto:pcf@york.co.uk) to let us know your intention to attend.

Please email [pcf@yiks.co.uk](mailto:pcf@yiks.co.uk) to book your intention to attend, clearly stating which session

Session 1: Thursday 16th May 10:00 am to 11:30, Tang Hall  
Explore

Session 2: Monday 20th May 1pm - 2pm. Wilberforce Trust House.

In addition an online option is available to those who are unable to make a face to face event  
Session 3: online. Monday 13th May 6pm



# COMMUNITY MESSAGES

## Autism Support Team

This is a specialist team of trained teachers and teaching assistants who work with children and young people with a diagnosis of autism and those on the pathway for a diagnosis.

The Universal Offer calendar outlines all training and advice available to families the calendar is updated every term, and details are listed by month. <https://www.yorks.gov.uk/team-city-york-council/autism-team-support>

### Wednesday 24 April 2024

Autism and Social Communication Needs

9.00 am to 12.00 pm Parent Autism Telephone Line To book a telephone support call, email [parentcarerautismsupport@yorks.gov.uk](mailto:parentcarerautismsupport@yorks.gov.uk) Autism Team

1.30 pm to 2.30 pm Parent Drop-in YKS – Clifton Childrens Centre, YO30 6JA  
Autism advice and support for parents no booking required

### Wednesday 01 May 2024

Anxiety

10.00am to 11.00 am Online parent workshop -To book a place, email [parentcarerautismsupport@yorks.gov.uk](mailto:parentcarerautismsupport@yorks.gov.uk) Autism Team

1.30 pm to 2.30 pm Parent workshop - Anxiety YKS – Clifton Childrens Centre, YO30 6JA Drop-in, no need to book



## York's Neurodiversity Programme has

commissioned the ADHD Foundation and is hosting live support sessions in 2024 to help you understand and support your child's unique needs. Click the link below

Sessions are online, exclusive to York, and not recorded.

Understanding and supporting sensory integration – Wednesday 24th April from 10am

Understanding and supporting ADHD – Thursday 16th May from 1pm

Understanding your child's early development (age 7 and under) –Wednesday 22nd May from 7pm

Understanding and supporting emotional self-regulation – Thursday 13th June from 7pm

Understanding diet and nutrition – Tuesday 16th July from 7pm

<https://www.yorks.gov.uk/professionals/parent-carer-webinars-yorks-neurodiversity-programme/>



# COMMUNITY MESSAGES



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## Free English lessons

**Lower level (A2/ Entry Level 2) classes:**  
13 to 24 May  
24 June to 24 July  
7 - 19 Oct

**Higher Level (B2) classes:**  
28 May to 11 June  
24 June to 24 July  
21 Oct to 5 Nov

Join us for fun English lessons at York St John University. Practice your English and meet people from all over the world.

You don't have to come every day - just come when you can!

Sorry - these classes are not suitable for beginners, and you must be 18+.

Come to De Grey reception (Lord Mayor's Walk) at 12.15 to join each class - we look forward to meeting you soon!

Email [celta@yorks.ac.uk](mailto:celta@yorks.ac.uk) to register for future classes.



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