



School Newsletter

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Message from Miss Boardman

A huge well done and thank you to everyone who entered the egg decorating competition.

I have been blown away once again by the amazing ideas and creativity. They have definitely made everyone smile this week.

It's been so difficult choosing the winners but

here they are:

Nyongo: Joey Attenborough: Eleanor

Johnson: Evie Farah : Lucas

Kahlo: Tilly

Special prize—Best link to learning:

Annabelle in Nyong'o for her odd and even design



There was a lovely surprise when we got back from assembly today—the Easter Bunny had visited and left eggs in the children's beautiful baskets.

We have said 'Goodbye' to Mrs Faletas today after 16 years at St Barnabas. We wish her well in her new job.

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Easter Service

It was wonderful to see so many parents at our Easter Service this week. I hope that you enjoyed the children's performance of 'The Tale of Three Trees'. Especially well done to Farah Class for acting out the story and to Reverend Paul helping us to reflect on the Easter story.



YoYo Easter Resources

There is a great selection of resources for Easter available on YoYo's website

<http://www.yoyotrust.org.uk/easter-resources>

The Easter story told in finger paints is particularly good and one the kids will love. Click on the link below to view

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qFw1cTnT3Jo&t=4s>

Easter Raffle

Thank you to everyone who purchased raffle tickets, we raised a fantastic £116

The winners are:

Chocolate Hamper—Taylor

Easter Bunny— Jane from Playgroup

Disney Thumper Bunny and Egg—Max from Playgroup

Dates For Your Diaries

(new dates added)

Monday 25th April—Return to school

Friday 20th May—Non –uniform day & Attenborough bake sale

Friday 27th May—Jubilee Day—wear red, white and blue or 'royal' clothes.

Week beg 30th May—Half Term

Monday 13th July 9am —St Barnabas Day service at church

Friday 1st July—non uniform day & Nyong'o bake sale

Thursday 21st July — end of term disco in the evening

Friday 22nd July 1:45pm— Leavers' Service at church / 3;15pm school closes for summer

Term Dates have now been set for 2022-23.

[Click here to view them.](#)

Happy Easter from all at St Barnabas!
We hope you have a lovely break and we can't wait to see you all back on Monday 25th April.



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Nyong'o

Miss Curry

This week in Nyong'o class we have been reviewing a lot of our previous learning and I am so proud of how much the children have remembered. Well done everyone!

In Phonics we have been re-capping all our Phase 3 sounds and then reading and writing words with them in. We re-read the story of the Gruffalo in Literacy and had great fun making up new characters for the mouse to meet! In Maths we reviewed all our numbers to 10, putting them in order and then saying what one more and one less of each number is.

We all enjoyed going to Church for the Easter service, singing the lively songs and then talking a bit more about 'The Three Trees' story back in class so we could understand it more. In PE we enjoyed our 'Silver Wings' dance and then our last session of hockey which included some fun dancing and games at the end! We also enjoyed making our Easter baskets and setting sail on a pirate ship we had built to find buried treasure! All in all another wonderful week, well done Nyong'o you are all amazing!

I hope you all have a lovely, restful holiday and come back refreshed and ready to do some more fantastic learning!



Attenborough

Miss Davison

A lovely final week of term for Attenborough class.

Monday saw us planning our new funny non-sense poems and learning about the Easter Story with Mrs Rachel Pena-Harran. Tuesday we had our final dance session with Lizzie and the children were brilliant. Wednesday we had our lovely Easter service in Church and the children made me so proud with their patience and participation in the singing and Friday we had an amazing final day with Easter egg hunts, finishing our nonsense poems and our lovely celebration assembly.

This week we finished our Maths learning on multiplication which the children have been brilliant at and we finished our learning with The Book with No Pictures and our poetry unit. Our science learning on animals and the human body was finished on Friday with thinking about our special senses and in phonics we have finally learnt all our sounds!!

A quick note for after half term - PE will go back to being on a Thursday with Mr Scaling and reading books will be changed on Fridays. Thank you for a lovely term everyone, have a good rest over the holidays and I will see you in 2 weeks!



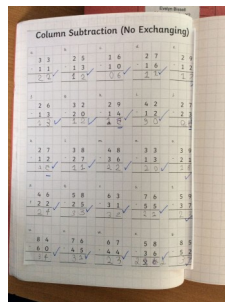
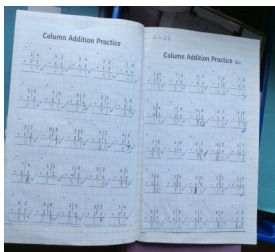
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Johnson Mrs Taylor

I think Johnson class have really earned their Easter break. It seems we have not stopped since coming back. You will be pleased to know that we have been learning column addition and subtraction this week in maths. (That's the method that all we grownups will have used at school.) The children have been amazing and have really grasped using this new method well, as you can see below. With our writing this week I have set the children a new challenge each day and we have been focusing on our writing stamina i.e. writing more in the time given. They are really starting to listen to feedback well and act on what I have discussed with them. Whether it is using finger spaces, sounding out unfamiliar words, using more description or using more ways to join their sentences they are rising to the challenge. As a little treat for all their hard work this term we have been watching the film of our class book Danny the Champion of the World. The children are loving seeing the characters we have read about come to life on the big screen. We have also found time to make easter baskets. I hope we may get a visit from a special someone before the day is over. Thank you Johnson class for the lovely term and have a lovely, well earned break.



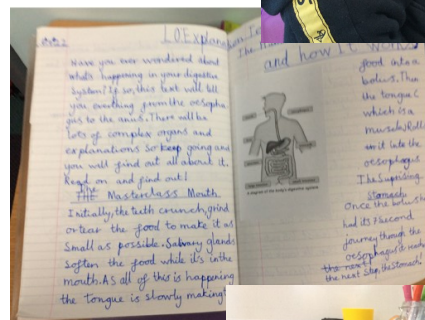
Farah Ms Graystone

An exhausting week for Team Farah! Not only have the Year 4s performed the play *The Three Trees* in whole school worship in church (songs brilliantly accompanied by the Year 3s) but we have also learned to play rounders; finished our explanation texts on the digestive system and learned about telling time or place value!

Hopefully by the time you read this, you will be able to appreciate the pouches the children have sewn in D&T and the Easter Baskets they have been colouring in In the hopes of a little Hoppy visitor.....!

We have definitely earned our two weeks off!

The photos show some of this week's marvellous learning, so you can see how fantastic their efforts have been!



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Kahlo

Mr Levick

As the final week of the term passed by, Kahlo Class have continued to wow and amaze me with their attitudes to learning and the hard work they have produced. In our maths, Year 6 have tackled angles and coordinates, whilst Year 5 have been working hard on converting units of measure (including time!). In reading, we learnt all about disability and the struggles faced by the disabled community, whilst English saw us completing our legends. The children's writing has genuinely been incredible, and I can't wait to share them with you!

During the Easter service, Kahlo played an important role in supporting Nyong'o class; teaching them some dance moves, buddying up with them for both the journey and in church, and encouraging them to give it their all. The children were fantastic role models and ambassadors, and Miss Curry was delighted with how sensible, mature and caring they were.

Elsewhere, we ventured out and about into the local area as part of our Young Leaders' Award. Walking around Leeman Road, we took note of different places within the community and the role that these played. We then discussed what improvements we could make, before creating a map that included our 'new and improved' versions of the area. It has been a brilliant week, but equally a brilliant term for Kahlo, and they should all be incredibly proud of all that they have achieved.



After School Club

From Monday 25th April please can you book any Breakfast and After School Club sessions 24hrs in advance. In emergency situations please phone the school office on 01904 555152 and I will book you a place and let the club staff know. Many thanks.

Here are a few photos from the Easter craft sessions. The children had so much fun! More themed sessions to come...



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Covid-19 Update—Vaccines

Healthy 5 to 11 year olds will be offered the COVID-19 vaccine from the beginning of April. Vaccinations will take place outside of school, in vaccination centres, pharmacies, GP surgeries and walk-in centres. Parents of 5 to 11 year olds will receive a letter from the NHS with further information on the vaccine.

For 5 to 11 year old and 12 to 15 year old vaccinations, please use this link to book [book COVID-19 vaccination appointments online](#), at a vaccination centre or pharmacy, or [find a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination site](#) without needing an appointment. Appointments and walk-ins can be accessed for 12 to 15 year olds now, and bookings will open up for 5 to 11 year olds from the beginning of April.

Updated Guidance from the 1st April

- Adults with symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature.
- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or child-care when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.
- Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days.

Easter Holiday Activities

There are a number of free holiday clubs running across York for children entitled to free school meals. Click [here](#) to find out more. If you would like to book a place, please contact school as we need to do this on your behalf.

There is a range of other holiday activities for all children available. Click [here](#) to see details.

Events happening in York

Please click on the links below to find out what is happening locally and ways to help us live actively, everyday.

- **York residents invited to 'Our City Festival'** <https://www.york.gov.uk/news/article/952/york-residents-invited-to-inaugural-our-city-festival>
- **Full steam ahead for York's Great British Railways bid** <https://www.york.gov.uk/news/article/954/full-steam-ahead-for-york-s-great-british-railways-bid>.
- **Holiday Activity and Food** <https://www.york-ok.org.uk/young-people/haf>.
- **Make a difference in the Great British Spring Clean** <https://www.york.gov.uk/news/article/958/make-a-difference-in-the-great-british-spring-clean>.
- **Changes to testing sites in York** <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-living-with-covid-19>
- **Helping you live actively, everyday** <https://www.itravellyork.info/>, <https://www.york.gov.uk/CYHealthTrainers>, <http://www.livewellyork.co.uk/stayingphysicallyactive/>, <https://youtu.be/WqBLbTHrKpM>