



# School Newsletter

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## Message from Miss Boardman

We have enjoyed some beautiful autumn days this week in school.



We welcomed back

Alfie, the therapy dog who began visiting towards the end of last year. Children in Hadid class enjoyed meeting him this week and he certainly enjoyed the many treats they gave him! We were really proud of the children as some were a little anxious about meeting him at first but they found their courage!



Each week we are focusing as a whole school on one aspect of behaviour that we expect. This week, it has been 'listening carefully'. I have certainly seen a lot of children doing this really well and being able to produce some great work as a result. It needs a little extra re-enforcement so this area of focus will continue into next week.

We have also been focusing on neat presentation and handwriting throughout school so children know what the expectations are right at the beginning of the year. I have seen plenty of beautiful written work and neat books. A great start children!

## Reading News

Reading is crucial for children to access the rest of the curriculum—it is a top priority on our daily timetables. To develop as confident, fluent readers, children need to practise their reading at home as well. We also want to encourage children to enjoy reading for pleasure.

**As part of our homework policy, we expect all children to read at home for at least 10-15 minutes 3 times per week.**

Reading records and books will be sent home by the end of next week. This year we have returned to paper records. Please date and initial your child's reading record each time you hear them read. Children in Y4 and above may move to more independent reading and initial their reading record themselves. Any reading can be added to the reading record—home books, comics, instructions, recipes... all reading counts!

Children will have two books to read each week. One will be matched to their current reading level and they should read this to you. For younger children this will be an e-book (information and logs to follow). Children will also choose a book from the library to share and enjoy with you.

To celebrate children's reading in and out of school each teacher will award a weekly reading certificate to the reader who has 'impressed them' that week, beginning on the week of 26th September.



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**Congratulations to the superstar children receiving awards this week:**



**Attenborough Reception: Everyone**

**Attenborough Year 1: Everyone**

**Hadid: Penelope and Eleanor**

**Farah: Year 3: Arlo**

**Farah Year 4: Nasma**

**Kahlo: Emma and Harvey**

**Headteacher Award: Jake (Haidid class)**

**Please see the flyer below for any families looking for swimming lessons for their children**

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## **Dates—Autumn Term**

-Monday 19th September—School closed as it has been declared a bank holiday for the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II

-Friday 23rd September 9:15am - Harvest Service at Church, all welcome.

Tues 27th September—KS2 classes to York Food Festival (parent helpers needed please)

## **-Week beg 3rd Oct—Stay and Learn Sessions**

8:50—approx. 9:20am

This is an opportunity to spend some time in class with your child to find out more about what / how they are learning on the following dates

Monday 3rd Oct— Kahlo

Tues 4th Oct- Attenborough

Weds 5th Oct - Hadid

Thurs 6th Oct - Farah

-Friday 14th October Non-uniform day - Kahlo cake sale

-Fri 21st October—INSET (School Closed)

-Week beg 24th Oct—Half term

-Weds 2nd Nov 3:45-6pm—Parents' Evening

-Thurs 3rd Nov 4:15—7pm—Parents' Evening

-Fri 18th Nov—Children in Need non uniform day

-Sun 20th Nov— Dance Club perform at Yorkshire Schools Dance Festival (York University)

-Thurs 24th Nov— Individual photos taken in school (family groups from 8:30am)

-Fri 25th Nov—Flu immunisation in school

-Week beg 5th Dec—Stay and Learns (days to follow)

-Mon 12th Dec (afternoon) —Nativity performance in school

-Tues 13th Dec (afternoon)—Nativity performance in school

-Thurs 15th Dec 2pm —Christmas Service in Church

-Fri 16th Dec—school closes 3pm

-Weds 4th Jan 2023—Return to school

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## Clubs

**Spaces are still available at these clubs. We offer these clubs FREE of charge to all children to support their wider interests and talents.**

Through your feedback last year, you requested more after school clubs. As a result we have significantly increased the number of clubs on offer this term.

If you would like your child to attend any of these clubs please complete the Google forms next to each club.

### **Please note:**

- If your child is signed up for a club they should attend each session.
- Parents must inform the school office if your child cannot attend a club they are signed up for.
- If your child misses 2 sessions despite attending school, they will be taken off the club list and their place offered to another child.
- The end times vary for the different clubs - please check these.

### **Mondays 3:15-4, Choir for Y3-6 (all term)**

Led by Miss Boardman and Ms Pena Harran

The choir will be preparing for the Young Voices concert, which gives your child the experience of being part of the world's largest choir. The concert is to be held at Sheffield Arena on the evening of Friday 3rd February. This is a really special event which we have previously taken part in. School arranges transport for this.

<https://forms.gle/UfCoX17Me69udM9j6>

### **Tuesdays 3:15-4:15, Dance for Y2-Y6 (all term)**

Led by York Dance Space

The club will be preparing for a performance in the Yorkshire Schools Dance Festival on Sunday 20th November (afternoon). It is expected that children attending the club will be able to take part in the festival.

<https://forms.gle/gSNJLaJnfqhHx15d8>

### **Wednesdays 3:15-4, Ball Skills & games for EYFS & Y1 (Autumn term 1 only)**

Led by Mr Stokell (Total Sports PE coach)

<https://forms.gle/vXtiAJfjbrFpi19H8>

### **Wednesdays 3:15-4:15, KS2 Mixed Football (Autumn term 2)**

<https://forms.gle/mJEQnCc6LvHCEXK6>

### **Thursdays 3:15-4:15, Y4-6 Indoor Athletics (Autumn 1 only)**

Led by Mr Scaling (School PE Coach)

<https://forms.gle/vhLGSKivLnuJsf1o6>

### **Thursdays 3:15-4:15, KS2 Girls' Football, (Autumn term 2)**

<https://forms.gle/8rW33tP7hx4Vdmt77>

**\*All Autumn 1 clubs will start week beginning Monday 12th September**

**\*\*All Autumn 2 clubs will start week beginning Monday 31st October**



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## **Attenborough Miss Davison**

A lovely start to the new year for our new reception starts and our new year 1's. The reception children have amazed both me and Mrs Costello with their enthusiasm for school and have quickly got used to our routines. The year 1's have stepped up to be amazing role models, helping the new children to find their way around the school.

This week we have started our phonics learning. Receptions have learnt the sounds s, a, t, p and the year 1's have been reviewing some of their phase 3 sounds and tricky words, including writing in their new phonics books. We have started some amazing maths work, starting with learning about the numbers 1, 2, 3 and subitising (recognising without counting) to 3 alongside numberblocks. The year 1s started their Maths No Problem work and have been brilliant at working in their new maths books and their workbooks looking at numbers to 10. In English we started our whole school book of How to be a Lion starting with learning about Lions and pretending to be Lions. We have predicted what we thought the book would be about, read the lovely story and then sequenced the story.

In the afternoons we have enjoyed visiting our Forest area for Muddy Monday, learning about Emperor Penguins and what Antarctica is like, making music with Miss Yandell and RE with Miss Boardman. We had a great dance session with Drew thinking about how to move our bodies with skipping, running and jumping. In computing we looked at what technology is, in art we found out how to make different colours with blue, yellow, red, black and white and in science we thought about the season Autumn and what it looks like.



## **Hadid Ms Pena-Harran**

Hadid class have made a wonderful start to the new school year and are settling in well to the routines with Ms Pena Harran and Mrs Bruce. Everyone is working really hard on their great listening and super focus and we are having some lovely neat Year 2 work in books!

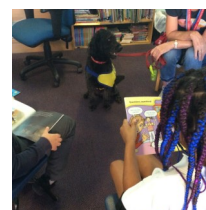
In English we have been enjoying the book How to Be A Lion by Ed Vere which has provoked some thoughtful discussion and drama. We've been learning about adjectives and verbs to describe Leonard the lion, ready to write a character description next week. The children are doing a fantastic job in remembering those important capital letters, finger spaces and full stops that every single sentence needs! We've also been lucky to have our first visit from Alfie the reading dog who loves to listen to stories.

In Maths we are focusing on the numbers to 100, investigating counting patterns in the 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s. It is very helpful to practise these at home as much as you can. We've also been learning how to partition (or split up) the same number in different ways. For instance, 82 can be made of  $80 + 2$ ,  $70 + 12$  or  $60 + 22$ .

The varied weather over the past week has been very interesting to observe as part of our Geography topic, especially the fog which many children found fascinating. We've hunted around the school for information technology in our Computing lessons, begun to learn about animal offspring in Science and done some really expressive character sketches of Leonard in Art.

In PSHE we celebrated Dot Day and thought about how sometimes it is difficult to take the first step but we have to have to show resilience.

Well done Hadid class for a super start. You are a great team!



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## Farah Ms Graystone

Team Farah have made a wonderful start to their Year 3 and Year 4 careers and are quickly settling into new routines and ways of working. We have been working hard to improve our number formation and really copy down new vocabulary accurately and neatly into our books. Fabulous presentation is the aim!

Our English work has focussed, like the rest of the school, on the wonderful book *How to be a Lion* by Ed Vere. We used verbs, nouns and adjectives to describe both stereotypical lions and Leonard, the star of the story. We then explored adverbs to tell us how both acted and behaved. We've used this successfully in our poetry writing which we've started to share in class.

We have begun all our new topics and had lots of fun exploring rocks - making great scientific observations and drawings. Next week we will learn how the categories of rocks and how they are formed.

In PE, we are learning to play Tag Rugby and Hockey with our Sports Coaches, burning off lots of calories as we learn new skills and correct techniques.

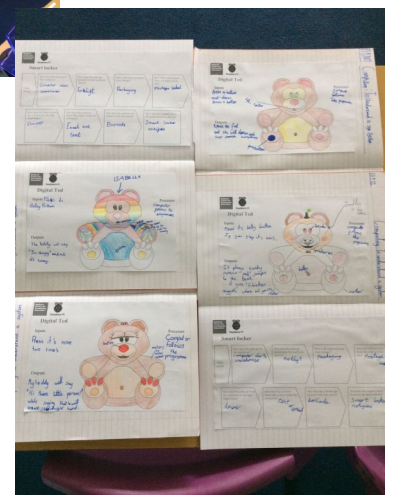
Well done Team Farah - here's to week 3



## Kahlo Mr Levick

It has been a brilliant start to the new school year for Kahlo Class, as everyone has been working their socks off! Much like the rest of the school, our English has centred around Ed Vere's fantastic *How to be a Lion*. We've written some fantastic poetry, and can't wait to share these with everyone! In reading, we've delved into our class novel *Beowulf* (which is very exciting!) and also read some poetry about lions from the 19th and 20th centuries. In maths, we have dived headfirst into our learning on place value, and the children have shown great knowledge and skills, using concrete resources well and explaining their reasoning with confidence.

Elsewhere, we've been learning tag rugby and athletics with Mr Stockell and Mr Scaling, designed some fabulous electronic talking teddies in computing, discussed our rights that are enshrined in law in PSHE, thought about why some people do/don't believe in God in RE, researched some geographical features in the UK in geography and even had time for lots of handwriting, Spanish and a week's worth of UFOs. What a brilliant week from Kahlo!



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## **Office Updates**

The only new updates from me this week is that I have amended the link to the Media Consent google form . If you struggled to access it last week, please try again using the link below and we still have spaces in all of our sports clubs. Thank you

- Media Consent—We would like to send photos of your child learning in school and therefore it is important we get the correct media consent from you. Please complete the google form with your preferences before Friday 30th September. After then we will be using these responses and if you haven't submitted a response we will assume that consent is denied. <https://forms.gle/W5Qa2PFdEVq4mCHd8>
- There are still a few spaces left in all of sports clubs. These are free of charge. If you are interested, please complete the google forms on page three of the newsletter or come and book with me in the office.
- Our Out of School club is still available to book on Parent Pay. We have three different sessions, a Breakfast Club from 7:30am-8:40am, for £4.75, an Early Bird Session from 3:15pm to 5pm for only £5 and our full session from 3:15pm to 6pm for £7.50. There are plenty of toys and activities for the children to play with and do they will also receive healthy drinks and snacks and a selection of breakfast options in Breakfast Club. The out of school club number is: 07518735956 (This phone will only be in use between 7.30am-8.40am and between 3:15pm-6pm) Please click here for step by step instructions.
- Update from the schools service regarding Free School Meal Applications:  
Wherever possible, the schools service team are encouraging all parents to make FSM applications online via the parent portal [www.york.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.york.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals). FSM applications are downloaded from the portal and checked for eligibility on a daily basis and letters can be automatically generated to give parents a much quicker response. Please visit the site and check if you are eligible. It only takes 5 minutes.

Remember I am always here to help, just pop in to the office, email or phone.

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## Wednesday mornings

9.30 to 11.30am for 4 weeks, starting

28th September

at The Avenues Children's Centre

Sixth Avenue

Tang Hall

York

YO31 0TX

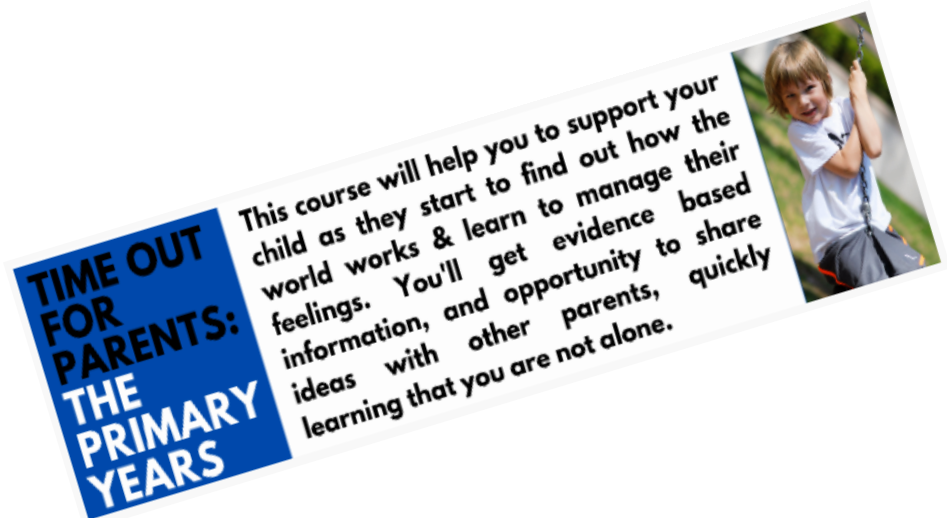
For flyer click [here](#)

## Thursday evenings

7.15 to 9pm for 4 weeks, starting 22nd September

Online via zoom

For flyer click [here](#)



## Monday evenings

7.30 to 9.30pm for 5 weeks starting 19th September

at The Richardson Room

The Parish Centre

[11/12 Minster Yard](#)

[York](#)

[YO1 7HH](#)

For flyer click [here](#)

## Monday afternoons

12.45 to 2.45pm for 5 weeks starting 19th September

at Burton Green Primary School

Burton Green

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## YSJ Communities Centre & Treasure Chest | Free Training Opportunities

Good afternoon,

I am contacting you on behalf of the York St John Communities Centre with regards to a free 12-week training course (CPD) starting on the 30<sup>th</sup> September, which may be of interest to some of the parents/families/guardians at your school. Anyone who is a parent, grandparent, or loves a parent and wants to be able to advocate for this is welcome.

### **Breastfeeding Advocates Course**

If you're enthusiastic about breastfeeding, want to support families in meeting their goals or campaign for issues around infant feeding - our Breastfeeding Advocates course is for you. The course will suit those that wish to work with new families using timely, non-judgmental and evidence based information around breastfeeding, which will underpin the health and mental health outcomes for them. As well as those that would like to advocate for parents in the workplace, helping those embarking on or returning from maternity leave.

Anyone can apply for this course whether they have children or not and whether they have breastfed or not. There's no commitment to volunteer with Treasure Chest as an advocate, but there will be opportunities to do so, if you wish.

### **Peer Supporter Course**

If you've breastfed for at least six months (including expressing/combination feeding), feel strongly about breastfeeding and are looking for a rewarding volunteer role - take a look at our Peer Supporter course.

Volunteers give up their time to offer up-to-date information to families who may be experiencing breastfeeding issues or who just need some external support from someone who's been there, and understands what breastfeeding is like.

We're happy to accept applications from parents of any age – you don't need to currently have a baby or young child. All we ask is that along with your lived-in experience, you're passionate about helping families in a non-judgmental, empathetic way.

### **Signing Up**

Our next training course will start on 30 September 2022, for 12 consecutive weeks from 9:30am till 11:30am at York St John University Campus. They'll both be led by two experienced International Board Certified Lactation Consultants (IBCLC), covering a number of breastfeeding related areas, as well as counselling and listening skills.

To find out more, please take a look at the Treasure Chest website: <https://treasurechest.org.uk/support-our-work/> or email [applications@treasurechest.org.uk](mailto:applications@treasurechest.org.uk) with the course you're interested in.

Many thanks,

Stephanie Anjos (she/her)

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Each week the newsletter will now include the Pathfinder support staff vacancies and any other Pathfinder communication to parents.

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<b>Job</b>	Business Admin Apprentice
<b>School</b>	Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust
<b>Details</b>	Apprentice national minimum wage 37 hours per week—Term time only 1 day per week release time to attend college.
<b>Closes</b>	N/A
<b>Job</b>	Specialist School Assistant to provide support for deaf students
<b>School</b>	Archbishop Holgate's School
<b>Details</b>	Grade 4 – £14,266 per annum (this is the pro rata salary) Permanent, Part Time (32.5 hours per week).
<b>Closes</b>	N/A
<b>Job</b>	School Admin Assistant/Receptionist
<b>School</b>	Heworth CE School
<b>Details</b>	Grade 4: £19,195 to £20,363 reduced pro-rata The position is available on a permanent basis of 32.5 hours/week. Term time plus two weeks.
<b>Closes</b>	23 September at 8am
<b>Job</b>	MAT Operations Manager
<b>School</b>	Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust
<b>Details</b>	£44,624 to £50,737 dependent on experience. Permanent, full year. We welcome applications from those looking for both full and part time hours.
<b>Closes</b>	26 September at midnight

<b>Job</b>	Cleaning Assistant
<b>School</b>	Archbishop Holgate's School
<b>Details</b>	£9.50 per hour Part time - 30 hours per week, Full year
<b>Closes</b>	N/A
<b>Job</b>	Midday Supervisory Assistant
<b>School</b>	Badger Hill Primary School
<b>Details</b>	Grade 2, Level 1- £18,328 per annum reduced pro rata. Actual rate of pay is £9.90 per hour (comprising basic pay plus 'Real' Living wage supplement). Permanent, Part time: 6.25 hours per week (term time only).
<b>Closes</b>	29 September at midnight
<b>Job</b>	School Admin Assistant/Receptionist
<b>School</b>	Archbishop Holgate's School
<b>Details</b>	Grade 4 – £14,266 per annum (this is the pro rata salary) Permanent, Part Time (32.5 hours per week).
<b>Closes</b>	N/A
<b>Job</b>	General Kitchen Assistant
<b>School</b>	Archbishop Holgate's School
<b>Details</b>	Grade 2 level 1 – £9,954 per annum (this is the pro rata salary) Permanent, Part time - 23.75 hours per week, Term time only
<b>Closes</b>	N/A

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