



School Newsletter

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Message from Miss Boardman

It was a real treat for me to accompany the KS2 children to the York Food and Drink Festival this week. The children behaved brilliantly and it was wonderful to see their enthusiasm in the workshops making pizza, pasta, bread, butter and chocolate lollies. We all enjoyed the tasty treats!



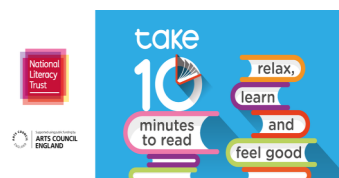
As a result of your generous donations for the Harvest service there was a huge amount of items to take to the local foodbank. Children did a great job helping to take the items over and helping to fill the shelves.



Penelope in Hadid class has received a green Blue Peter badge! This recognises the community work she has done litter picking in our local area. Well done Penelope for showing such compassion and encouraging others to care for the environment around us.



Monday 10th October is World Mental Health Day and the National Literacy Trust is encouraging us all to take 10 minutes to read - to help us relax, learn and feel good. Their research shows us that reading can be an effective way of helping people take care of their mental health and wellbeing - and it only takes 10 minutes a day to see the benefits!



Reading every day can help everyone - children, young people and adults, to:

- Relax, unwind and boost their mood
- Escape from the pressures of life and reduce their stress levels
- Improve your memory and concentration



We will be giving every family a copy of Stories to Make You Smile and inviting parents and children to drop in on **Tuesday 11th October at 3:15pm** to enjoy some refreshments and take 10 minutes to read.

Certificates

Congratulations to the superstar children receiving awards this week:



Attenborough: Adam and Nusrat
Hadid: Ethan, Georgia and Gabriel
Farah: Evie, Isabella and Logan
Kahlo: Jasmine, Esme and Zlata
Headteacher Award: Covenant (Kahlo class)

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This week's Attendance

Whole school target: 96%

Attenborough Class: 97.47%

Hadid Class: 90.18%

Farah Class: 91.71%

Kahlo Class: 96.62%

Well done to **Attenborough** class—they will have a reward of extra playtime next week.

Going to School:

don't let your child miss out!

Let's work together to make sure your child doesn't miss out on school and gets the best start in life.

Children and young people can become **anxious or worried** about going to school. You might want to let them stay off school, but it does not help things to get better.

Why it is **important** for your child to go to school.

We know that children who go to school every day are more successful.

Going to school helps them to:

- ✓ Learn
- ✓ Have fun
- ✓ Make friends
- ✓ Get new experiences
- ✓ Get the qualifications that help them to get a job
- ✓ Increase their confidence

and most of all...

- ✓ Have the best start in life

What can happen if your child misses lots of school?

- X Find lessons difficult
- X Do less well in their exams
- X Be worried about going to school
- X Have lower self-esteem and fewer friends
- X More likely to get involved in crime or anti-social behaviour

It's **really important** to talk to your child's school if you child is worried about going in.

For more information on school absence in York visit:
www.york.gov.uk/SchoolAttendance



Click on the links below for more information about our attendance policy and procedures

[Attendance policy](#)

[Attendance Leaflet](#)

Visits to School

Is your child due to start school next September?

Do you live in the local community and interested in visiting school?

Come along on

- Saturday 15th October 10am-12pm
- Thursday 10th November 3:30-6pm

to have a look around and find out more about our school.

Dates—Autumn Term

new dates added this week

Week beg 3rd Oct—Stay and Learn Sessions

8:50 to 9.20 approx.

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 7th October—Celebration assembly to start at 2:30pm. Classes will perform poems to celebrate National Poetry Day
- ⇒ Tuesday 11th October—Reading Drop-in 3:15pm
- ⇒ 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
- ⇒ **Weds 2nd & Thurs 3rd Nov—Y5/6 Bikeability training**
- ⇒ **Weds 9th November—11:30am Mums (or female relative) invited for lunch with their children.**
- ⇒ 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
- ⇒ 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—Christmas Service in Church
- ⇒ Fri 16th Dec—school closes 3pm
- ⇒ Weds 4th Jan 2023—Return to school

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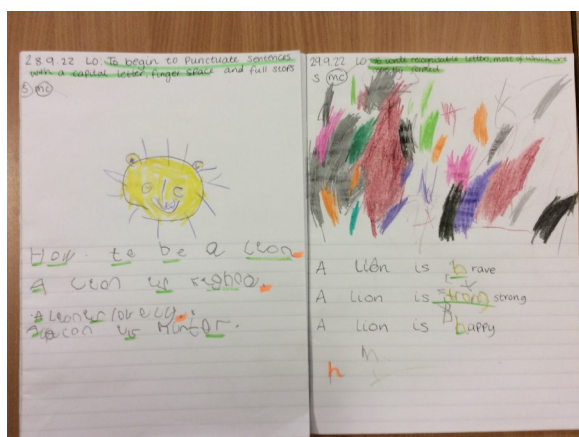
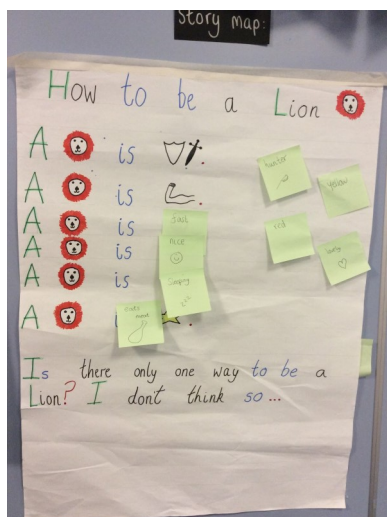
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Attenborough Miss J Davison

This week the children have really impressed us with their hard work. In geography we have been learning about the 7 continents and the 5 oceans, the children were able to remember these and talk about their environments and an animal that lived there.

In English the children have wowed us with their poems about How to be a Lion. All the children have remembered the class poem and created their own versions along with Lion drawings. Brilliant!

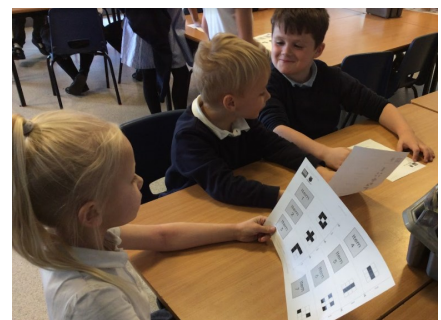


Hadid Ms Pena-Harran Mrs R Bruce

During our art lesson this week we used water colour paints to create pictures of Leonard the lion. The children explored how to use the paints for different effects and produced some wonderful art work.



In computing this week we have been thinking about the benefits of using Information Technology in everyday life. We worked in groups to follow the process of scanning barcodes at the supermarket. We agreed that it's much easier and quicker now that we can use barcode scanners and tills instead of having to work everything out!



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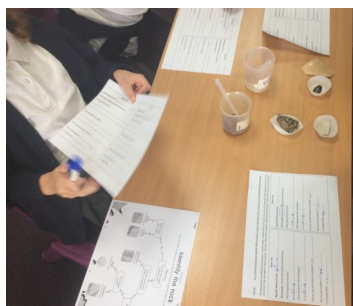
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Farah Ms Graystone

What a brilliant week Team Farah! From Food Festival fun to exploring the properties of rocks in Science!

On Tuesday, the children attended York Food Festival, where they made and decorated chocolate lollies and then either made pizza and ravioli or butter to go with their freshly made bread. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Our Science learning has seen us explore whether the rocks we have in class are sedimentary, metamorphic or igneous. We used vinegar as an acid to see if it fizzed on the rock (metamorphic) or dropped water on them to see if the rock was permeable (sedimentary). We then used a flow chart to work out the specific rock we were experimenting on, based on how it reacted to all our tests - granite was a favourite!



Kahlo Mr Levick

It has been another brilliant week in Kahlo Class, as the children continue to work hard and blow me away! We had the pleasure of attending the York Food Festival this week, and the children were genuinely amazing. It was very enjoyable to spend time with children from across KS2, and my group made some perfect pizzas, lovely lollies and really great ravioli!

Our other highlight of the week was all our teamwork in varying aspects of the curriculum. In science, we worked well to investigate mass versus weight, whilst in PE we perfected our athletics skills in teams of 4 or 5. All in all, a fabulous week and I continue to be amazed by Kahlo Class!



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



OUR SCHOOLS ARE RECRUITING

Support Staff Vacancies

Visit our [website](#) or scan the QR code for details and to apply

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| Job | Teaching Assistant (TA2 - Key Stage 2) | Job | Midday Supervisory Assistant |
| School | Badger Hill Primary School | School | Badger Hill Primary School |
| Details | Grade 4, Level 1 – £19,195 per annum, reduced pro rata. Fixed term to 31 August 2023, part Time: 22.50 hours per week, Term Time Only – 08:30 to 13:00 Monday-Friday | Details | 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). |
| Closes | 29 September 2022 at midnight | Closes | 29 September at midnight |

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| Job | Business Admin Apprentice | Job | Teaching Assistant Level 2 |
| School | Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust | School | Tang Hall Primary School |
| Details | Apprentice national minimum wage 37 hours per week—Term time only 1 day per week release time to attend college. | Details | Level 2 Teaching Assistant— Grade 4, Level 1 £19,387 per annum reduced pro rata Contract Type-Fixed Term initially for 1 year, Term time only |
| Closes | N/A | Closes | Friday 7 October 2022 at midnight |

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| Job | School Admin Assistant/Receptionist | Job | After School Club Assistant |
| School | Rufforth Primary School | School | Tang Hall Primary School |
| Details | Grade 4: £19,195 to £20,363 reduced pro-rata Permanent – There is some flexibility around the working hours but we are looking for someone Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 4pm (35 hours per week). This post is term time only. | Details | Grade 2 Level 1 – 4 (£19,100 reduced pro rata) Part time role of 6.75 hours per week, term time only 3:15pm until 5:30pm Monday, Tuesday and Thursday |
| Closes | 30 September at 5pm | Closes | 29 September 2022 at midnight |