



# School Newsletter

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## Message from Miss Boardman

As you know we have had Ofsted inspectors in school for two days this week. We are very pleased with the overall feedback and that the inspectors were able to see the hard work and improvements we have made over the last few years. We look forward to sharing the final report with you— we don't expect it until January. I am very proud of all the children—many of them were asked to meet with the inspectors about what it is like to attend St Barnabas. They spoke with honesty and confidence and certainly showed their best learning and behaviour too.

Thanks for all your support, encouraging words and completing the parent survey.

Enormous thanks to whole of the staff and governor team. Receiving this positive feedback is a result of everyone's commitment and hard work over time. The staff have certainly put in the hours this week!

As a result, there are no class contributions in the newsletter this week.

A huge well done to the children who performed in front of 100 people at the Yorkshire Schools Dance festival last weekend. They were a credit to the school and their families and their performance was outstanding.

We are looking forward to seeing you at our Christmas activities over the next few weeks. Please check the dates section !

## School Photographs

The school photographer will in school on

**Wednesday 30th November.**

Each child will have an individual photo taken and a photo with their sibling.

If you would like a family photo with pre school siblings, please arrive at 8.15am through the school office.

## Apply for free school meals NOW

The school receives additional funding for children who are entitled to benefits related free school meals. This allows us to subsidise trips and events and provide additional learning support. If you receive benefits of any kind, please consider applying for 'benefits related free school meals' asap.

To apply, **click on this link:** <https://synergy.york.gov.uk/Live/SynergyWeb/Parents/default.aspx>

**and sign in at the top left of the page.**

You will require your username (email address) and password. If you have not used Parent Portal before you must **create an account**. For further information about free school meals including eligibility please click [here](#).



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## This week's attendance

### Whole school target: 96%

Whole school attendance: 94.15%

Attenborough Class: 91.50%

Hadid Class: 96.67%

Farah Class: 96.67%

Kahlo Class: 98.48%

Well done to Kahlo class - they will have a reward of extra playtime.

Please remember to phone the school office before 8.45 am if your child is unwell or at a medical appointment.

Going to school every day  
helps your child to get good  
qualifications, which will help  
them to get a job.

For more information on school absence: n'York visit  
[www.york.gov.uk/SchoolAttendance](http://www.york.gov.uk/SchoolAttendance)



## Dates—Autumn Term

- ⇒ Wednesday 30th Nov—Individual photos
- ⇒ Friday 2nd December—Reindeer Rush in aid of St Leonards Hospice
- ⇒ Weds 7th December 7.15pm—Kahlo class and parents invited to Archbishop Holgate's School Carol Service at Minster Service
- ⇒ Thurs 8th Dec—Christmas Jumper Day—Donations via our just giving page
- ⇒ 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 1:45pm —Christmas Service in Church
- ⇒ Thurs 15th Dec 9am— Seeing Santa in school
- ⇒ Fri 16th Dec—school closes 3pm
- ⇒ Weds 4th Jan 2023—Return to school

## Reindeer Rush in aid for St Leonards—Friday 2nd December from 10.30am

On Friday 2nd December we are raising money for St Leonard's Hospice, a wonderful charity. All the children will be taking part in the Reindeer Rush which is a run, skip, walk or hop around the playground chasing Santa! All the children will also get to enjoy a hot chocolate.

We would like to invite all parents/carers to come and cheer the children along and sing some festive songs. York Mix along with St Leonard's mascot will be making an appearance. There will be Tea, Coffees and cakes for sale. Please arrive at school from 10.30am to take your seats, please wrap up warm as this event is outside. Here is the online sponsorship link and the children will also come home with a paper copy.

[www.stleonardshospice.org.uk/fundraising/st-barnabas-primary-schools-reindeer-rush/](http://www.stleonardshospice.org.uk/fundraising/st-barnabas-primary-schools-reindeer-rush/).

### Bags to School—Collection Wednesday 7th December

We are having a Bags to School collection on Wednesday 7th December. This is a great way to raise funds for the school whilst having a good clear out in preparation for Christmas!

Bags will be sent home today and there are plenty of spares available from the office.

We are happy to store your filled bags at school, so they don't get in your way.

### Seeing Santa—Thursday 15th December from 9am

All children will get share a story with Santa in school on Thursday 15th December and receive a small gift.

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

## RECRUITING



### Support Staff Vacancies

For details and to apply, visit our [website](#) or scan the QR code



Job	Casual Exam Invigilators
School	Archbishop Holgate's School
Details	£10.00 per hour – This is a casual position and, due to the nature of the role, will provide flexible working hours at the convenience of both the school and invigilator. Further details available on request.
Closes	N/A

Job	Business Admin Apprentice
School	Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust
Details	Apprentice national minimum wage 37 hours per week - Term time only 1 day per week release time to attend college.
Closes	N/A

Job	After School Club Assistant
School	Hempland Primary School
Details	Grade 2 Level 1 - £19,100 per annum reduced pro rata. Permanent, Part time (term time only). 15 hours per week from 3.00pm to 6.00pm, Monday to Friday.
Closes	N/A

Job	Midday Supervisory Assistant
School	St Lawrence's CE Primary School
Details	Grade 2 Level 1 (£18,328 reduced pro-rata). Living wage of £9.90/hour is applicable. Part time: 5 hours per week Monday - Friday
Closes	Thursday 24 November at midnight

Job	Finance Assistant
School	Archbishop Holgate's School
Details	Grade 4 – £21,120 to £22,288 (actual salary £13,282 to £14,881). 27.5 hours per week, 9.00am-3.00pm (with a 30 minute lunch break) Term Time Only
Closes	Thursday 1 December at 8.00am