



School Newsletter

Barnabas the Encourager

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Message from Miss Boardman

Well done to all the children for a wonderful final week of term. We've been busy!

They gave two wonderful performances of The Magical Advent Calendar on Monday and Tuesday and it was lovely to see so many of you there. Thank you for your support in helping the children to learn their lines and songs. Well done!

We all enjoyed a delicious Christmas dinner on Wednesday which was a great opportunity for the children to mix together in their bridge teams.

On Thursday we had a someone very special in school. We had an early visit from Santa Claus! He enjoyed hearing all about our plans for Christmas and listening to some of the songs from our Nativity performance.

Thank you to everyone who came along to church on Thursday afternoon. The children had worked hard to practise some traditional carols and it was good to hear the messages of hope, peace and love at Christmas time.

On the final day of term there has been lots of festive joy in school with our Yo-Yo assembly and Christmas parties.

Huge thanks to all parents and carers for your support through this term. We wish you a very Happy Christmas and all the best for the New year.

We look forward to seeing children back in school on Wednesday 6th January 2023.

Christmas Raffle Draw

Here are the lucky winners:

Food and Drink Hamper - Justyna Rydzynska

Family Bowling Ticket - Bowman Family

Family Golf Ticket - Precious Family

Love 2 Shop Vouchers - Gigi Tamo

Squishmallow - Esme Molloy

Lego Bundle - Myley Tanimowo

Cosy Night in Bundle - Heather Bulmer

Family Pamper Hamper - Bowman Family

Roald Dahl Placemats - Gigi Tamo

Disney Bangle and Felt Bag Set - Bowman Family

Creative Set - Bowman Family

Small Toy Bundle - Patton Family

Book Bundle 1 - Annabelle Smith

Book Bundle 2 - Bowman Family

Book Bundle 3 - Gigi Tamo

Book Bundle 4 - Patton Family

Thank you for all your contributions. We hope you have a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year! (Keep an eye out for the

Reminder if you have received asking for you to apply to the Household Support Fund the applications need to be received

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This week's attendance

Whole school target: 96%

Whole school attendance: 90.91%

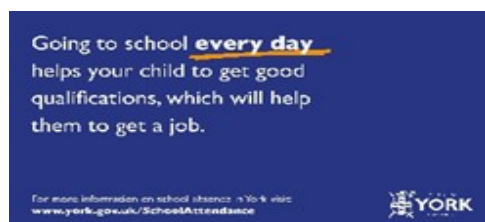
Attenborough Class: 91.36%

Hadid Class: 91%

Farah Class: 94.18%

Kahlo Class: 94.97%

Well done to Kahlo class.



Dates—Autumn Term

- ⇒ Fri 16th Dec— children can wear non-uniform / party clothes to school. Class Christmas parties in the afternoon
- ⇒ Fri 16th Dec—school closes 3pm
- ⇒ Weds 4th Jan 2023—Return to school

Remember to apply if you receive benefits and you think your child may be entitled to benefits related free school meals. This brings in additional funding for the school which we can use to better support your child and subsidise activities. Click [here](#) to apply .

Scarlet Fever and Strep A Advice

What are scarlet fever and Strep A?

Scarlet fever is caused by bacteria called Group A streptococci (Strep A). The bacteria usually cause a mild infection that can be easily treated with antibiotics. In very rare occasions, the bacteria can get into the bloodstream and cause an illness called invasive Group A strep (iGAS).

What are the symptoms of Strep A/scarlet fever?

Strep A infections can cause a range of symptoms that parents should be aware of, including:

- Sore throat
- Headache
- Fever
- A fine, pinkish or red body rash with a sandpapery feel
- On darker skin the rash can be more difficult to detect visually but will have a sandpapery feel

If a child becomes unwell with these symptoms, parents are advised to contact their GP practice or contact NHS 111 (which operates a 24/7 service) to seek advice.

If a child has scarlet fever, we advise they stay at home until at least 24 hours after the start of antibiotic treatment to avoid spreading the infection to others.

We encourage parents to trust their own judgement and if their child seems seriously unwell call 999 or go to A&E if:

- a child is having difficulty breathing – you may notice grunting noises or their tummy sucking under their ribs
- there are pauses when a child breathes
- a child's [skin, tongue or lips are blue](#)
- a child is floppy and will not wake up or stay awake.

Worrying about money?

The rise in cost of living is on everyone mind. There are three key steps to make sure you are in the best place to meet the extra costs this winter.

- Make sure you are getting all the financial support available
 - o Use one of the free benefit checkers at www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators
 - o Check the council's website for local support schemes at www.york.gov.uk/benefits
 - o Including the Household Support Fund(HSF) at www.york.gov.uk/householdsupportfund

If you have received a letter inviting you to apply for HSF please complete you application by Thursday 5 January.

- o A range of holiday activity schemes will be available for children and young people during the Christmas, Easter and Summer school holidays. Details of events and activities can be found on the [Holiday Activities and Food Yor-OK webpage](#).
- Reduce your outgoings, don't spend more than you have to on your bills, such as mobile phones, broadband, insurance.
 - o See how you can save on your energy bills
 - o Use approved comparison websites
 - o Talk to your existing suppliers about discounts and social tariffsFind out more at www.LiveWellYork.co.uk/talkmoney
- Don't struggle alone. If you are unsure or need assistance with the things above, there is help across the city from council services and other local organisations
Find out
 - o how to contact an advice service at www.york.gov.uk/benefitsadvice
 - o where there are community drop-ins across the city at www.livewellyork.co.uk events calendar

Or pick up a leaflet or ask at your local library, community centre or find information on community noticeboards



Talk Money

For more information visit:
livewellyork.co.uk/talkmoney

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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

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	Midday Supervisory Assistant
School	Heworth Primary School
Details	Grade 2 Level 1 – Full time equivalent salary = £20,353, reduced pro-rata. Hourly rate payable is £10.50. The hours are 11:30am to 1:00pm, term time only.
Closes	N/A

Job	School Cleaner
School	Heworth Primary School
Details	£10.50 per hour Permanent—Part time, 15 hours per week Term time + 2 weeks
Closes	N/A