



# School Newsletter

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## Message from Miss Boardman

Well done to the three children from Kahlo Class that took part in the Archbishop Holgate's School Carol service at York Minster on Wednesday evening along with children from other Pathfinder Schools. They sung beautifully as part of the primary school choir—it was a really special event. Hopefully more children from St Barnabas will be able to attend next year.

Children in Key Stage 2 are enjoying a visit to the



Theatre Royal pantomime today—Peter Pan. Thanks to the Theatre Royal for donating the tickets to school.

We are looking forward to lots of Christmas festivities next week—nativity, Christmas dinner, church service, seeing Santa and parties. Please check the dates section for more information. We look forward to seeing you at the nativity performances on Monday and Tuesday next week. Doors open at 1:30pm for a 1:45pm start. Please be aware that children may be out of school a few minutes later than usual due to getting changed after the performance,

## Christmas Jumper Day

All the children looked fantastic in their Christmas Jumpers—thank you. So far we have raised £26 for Save the Children. If you still want to make a donation, please use this link

[https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/sarah-cook-christmas-jumper-day?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=ExactTarget&utm\\_campaign=20221209\\_&mi\\_u=52923788&mi\\_ecmp=DS\\_CJD\\_1DayBefore\\_Excite\\_Claimed\\_Schools](https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/sarah-cook-christmas-jumper-day?utm_medium=email&utm_source=ExactTarget&utm_campaign=20221209_&mi_u=52923788&mi_ecmp=DS_CJD_1DayBefore_Excite_Claimed_Schools)

or send cash into school before or on Tuesday 13th December.

If you have any jumpers that your children will have outgrown by next year, I am happy to keep them to recycle next year. The fundraising page is still live for you to make your donation. Please click [here](#)

## Reindeer Rush

I am amazed by everyone's generosity. As a school we have raised an astonishing

**£656.46**

for St Leonards Hospice. I hope everyone is very proud of themselves! Thank you!

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.

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## This week's attendance

**Whole school target: 96%**

Whole school attendance: 90.45%

Attenborough Class: 86%

Hadid Class: 97.22%

Farah Class: 93.65%

Kahlo Class: 91%

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

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 in York visit [www.york.gov.uk/SchoolAttendance](http://www.york.gov.uk/SchoolAttendance)



## Dates—Autumn Term

- ⇒ Mon 12th Dec 1:45pm —Nativity performance in school
- ⇒ Tues 13th Dec 1:45pm –Nativity performance in school
- ⇒ Weds 14th Dec—Christmas Dinner. Children can wear their Christmas jumpers again.
- ⇒ Thurs 15th Dec 9am— Seeing Santa in school (am)
- ⇒ Thurs 15th Dec 2pm —Christmas Service in Church
- ⇒ 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

## 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.

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## **Attenborough Miss J Davison**

This week we have been super busy with all things Christmas related. We have read the Christmas story and acted it out in our small world area, we have been reading Christmas and winter stories during story time and of course been practising our nativity ready for next week. Amongst that, the children have still been doing their normal learning. In English, the year 1's have independently written their recount of our trip to the library, including using time conjunctions, while the reception sequenced our journey and wrote a sentence about going on the trip.

This week in RE we looked at the Jewish celebration Hanukkah. We explored the 9 candles of the Menorah and tried some of the food that they eat during the celebration. We also painted our Star of Davids that we had made with lolly pop sticks earlier on in the term. You may see these hanging in the hall.



## **Hadid Ms Pena-Harran & Mrs R Bruce**

This week in Hadid class the children have applied their learning about what makes a balanced diet to create their own healthy wrap sandwich. They have thought about what flavours and food groups to include. It was great to see children trying new flavours and sharing their views about what worked well together.



In our English lessons this week the children have been writing their own set of instructions for how to make pancakes. They have been remembering to use time connectives like first, next, then and finally to help their instructions make sense, and to include adverbs for detail.

Well done Hadid class for a great week of learning and super effort in our play rehearsals too.



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**Farah  
Ms Graystone**

We have spent a large portion of our week preparing for our parts in the Nativity. There is a lot to learn and we're trying our best!

In Maths, we have started to look at more complicated forms of multiplication in Year 3 by partitioning a two digit number and multiplying each part, then adding those parts back together. The Year 4s are learning how to multiply and divide by 1... and sometimes multiply by 0. They grasped it pretty quickly!

We have finished our Science topic on Forces and Magnets by seeing what is and what is not magnetic as well as when magnets attract and repel each other.

Here are some photographs from last week, which show our visit to St Barnabas CE Church, where Reverend Paul taught us a little more about baptism and The Trinity. Here we have the wonderful parents presenting their baby to the vicar.



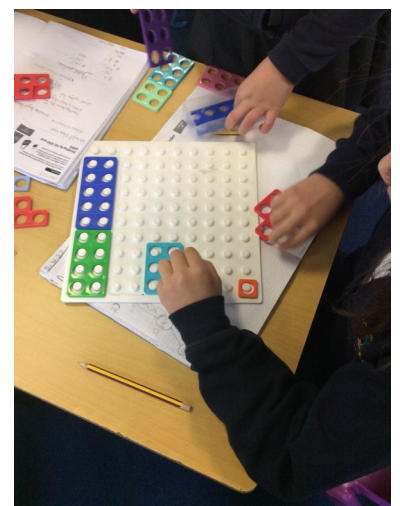
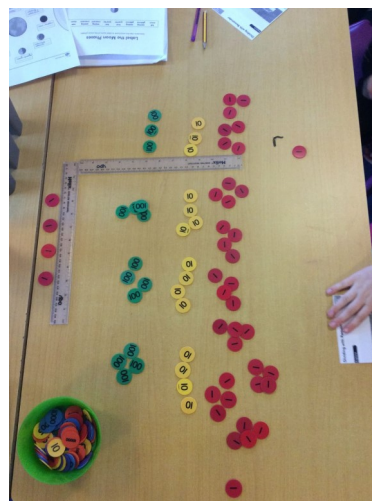
**Kahlo  
Mr Levick**

As Christmas approaches, the children in Kahlo are still working their hardest and putting their all into everything. Our highlights this week include:

We learnt all about the different phases of the moon, learning the difference between a new moon and a full moon, and even creating the orbit of the sun, moon and Earth with our bodies.

We've also worked extremely hard in our maths, doing some amazing work around division in Year 5 and multiplying AND dividing fractions in Year 6.

Also, huge shoutout to Isla J, Alick and Lennon who all did a fantastic job singing carols at York Minster. It was a lovely evening and the children performed brilliantly.



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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	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	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	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