



# School Newsletter

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## Message from Miss Boardman

Well done to Kahlo Class for their participation in the Formula 1 competition. This was the result of a lot of hard work over the last few weeks on the design of their car and preparation of their presentation.

In our Behaviour of the Week, we have been focusing on playtime expectations:

- Keeping football in the 'football zone' so there is plenty room for other games
- Tidying up well at the end of breaks
- Staying off the grass (it is very muddy!)
- Using kind hands, feet and words
- Walking to class lines promptly and sensibly

All the children have done extremely well with these expectations which make playtimes much more enjoyable for everyone.



You should all have received the letter sent earlier today, letting you know that the school will be fully open on Wednesday, the day of industrial action. All classes will have their usual teachers.

You should also have received our Ofsted report earlier this week. If you would like to ask any questions about the report, parent drop-ins will be held today at 2:15pm and Monday 30th January at 2:45pm.

## Certificates

Congratulations to the superstar children receiving awards this week:

**Attenborough: Joey, Libbi and Myley**

**Hadid: Kacper, Rowan and Gabriel**

**Farah: Arlo, Ethan and Ella**

**Kahlo: Harvey, Harry, Toby, Natan and Charlie (F1 winning team), Charlotte and Covenant**

**Well done everyone!**

## Is your child.....

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**Stressed?**

**Unmotivated?**

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**Please see details on p5 of this newsletter of a free , one off Family Matters session 'A Mind of Their Own' on Saturday 11th March**

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## **This week's attendance**

**Whole school target: 96%**

Whole school attendance: 91.07%

Attenborough Class: 97.24%

Hadid Class: 92.27%

Farah Class: 92.06%

Kahlo Class: 95%

Well done to Attenborough class - they will have a reward of extra play-time.

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



## **Dates**

Monday 6th February—class photos

Friday 10th February - school closed (INSET)

Choir children to Young Voices

Thurs 23rd Feb—Farah begin swimming lessons

Friday 3rd March—World Book Day Event

Friday 17th March—Dress in bright clothes for Comic Relief

Tues 21st / Weds 22nd March—Parents Evening

Friday 31st March—Term ends for Easter

Monday 17th April—Children return to school (No INSET day)

Monday 1st May—Bank holiday

Friday 5th May—Non uniform (£1) and cake sale (Kahlo to bring cakes please)

Monday 8th May—Bank holiday for King's coronation

Tues 9th—Fri 12th May - Y6 SATS

Friday 26th May—INSET School Closed

Monday 29th May—Half term

Monday 3rd June—Children return

Tuesday 25th July—School closes for summer holiday

**York Residents Weekend takes place this weekend.**

**Explore the city and be a tourist for the weekend – for free!**

**Click [here](#) for more details**

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## **Attenborough Miss J Davison**

Muddy Monday was a delightful fun session involving hot chocolate! We did a quick reminder about fire safety and what to do in an emergency and then we enjoyed some yummy hot chocolate and the children were great at helping each other with this.

Year 1's have been learning all about the countries of the United Kingdom and different areas of the world including Africa and Brazil - thinking about what it would be like to live there and what the environment looks like.

The reception's have been enjoying some space learning about the different planets, stars and moon in our solar system and using our space role play area to explore space more wildly.

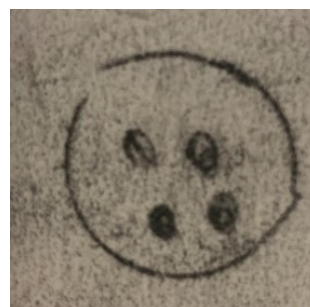
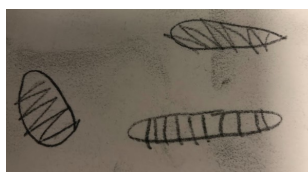


## **Hadid Ms Pena-Harran & Mrs R Bruce**

This week in science we have been learning about microhabitats and how the conditions might be different from the larger habitat that they are in. We explored our outdoor learning area, searching in different microhabitats for minibeasts. The children had some great ideas about what we might find there in different seasons and why.

In art we continued looking at small items such as shells, stones and buttons but experimented with a new technique. We used carbon paper to make a monoprint and looked at how using the pencils in different ways could create a range of effects.

We are also enjoying our new class text - Meerkat Mail and have been looking at the postcards that Sunny sends home.





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**Farah  
Ms Graystone**

As part of our English topic (which links nicely with our Science learning about Living things and Habitats), we completed our reading of the wonderful picture book *Last* by Nicola Davies. We learned about how the last rhino she wrote about became extinct. From here, we have started to research a critically endangered species of our own to write a non-chronological report. A key part of this is to write facts and not opinion so we worked with our partners to see if we could sort the sentences out into the two groups. Hopefully, we can use this to write our own facts based upon our research.

In PE and Dance, we continued to use our bodies to create shapes and move between them as part of a sequence. Mr Scaling let us get the apparatus out this week in gymnastics....and the children loved jumping, moving and climbing!



**Kahlo  
Mr Levick**

We've had a brilliant week in Kahlo, and we have all worked extremely hard this week! Our highlights this week include:

- A brilliant performance at an F1 in schools event. The children designed their own race cars and then had the opportunity to race these against other schools. Everyone did their best, and one team even came second across the whole Pathfinder trust!
- We began diving into our work on *The Merchant of Venice*, preparing for our Shakespearean performance on March 28th. Tickets can be purchased here: <https://www.yorktheatroyal.co.uk/show/york-associate-schools-the-merchant-of-venice/> if you'd like to come!



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Knowing how to support the emotional and mental wellbeing of our children and young people is one of the biggest challenges parents & carers face today. In light of this, we would like to introduce a NEW event to support parents and carers in building their children's emotional wellbeing.

**Join Family Matters York for 'A Mind of Their Own'.**

A single session parenting event to share, discuss and learn strategies to equip our children and to support them more effectively as they face the challenges and opportunities of the 21st Century.

**Saturday 11th March,**

**9.30-12 noon @The Belfrey Hall,**

**52a Stonegate, YO1 8AS**

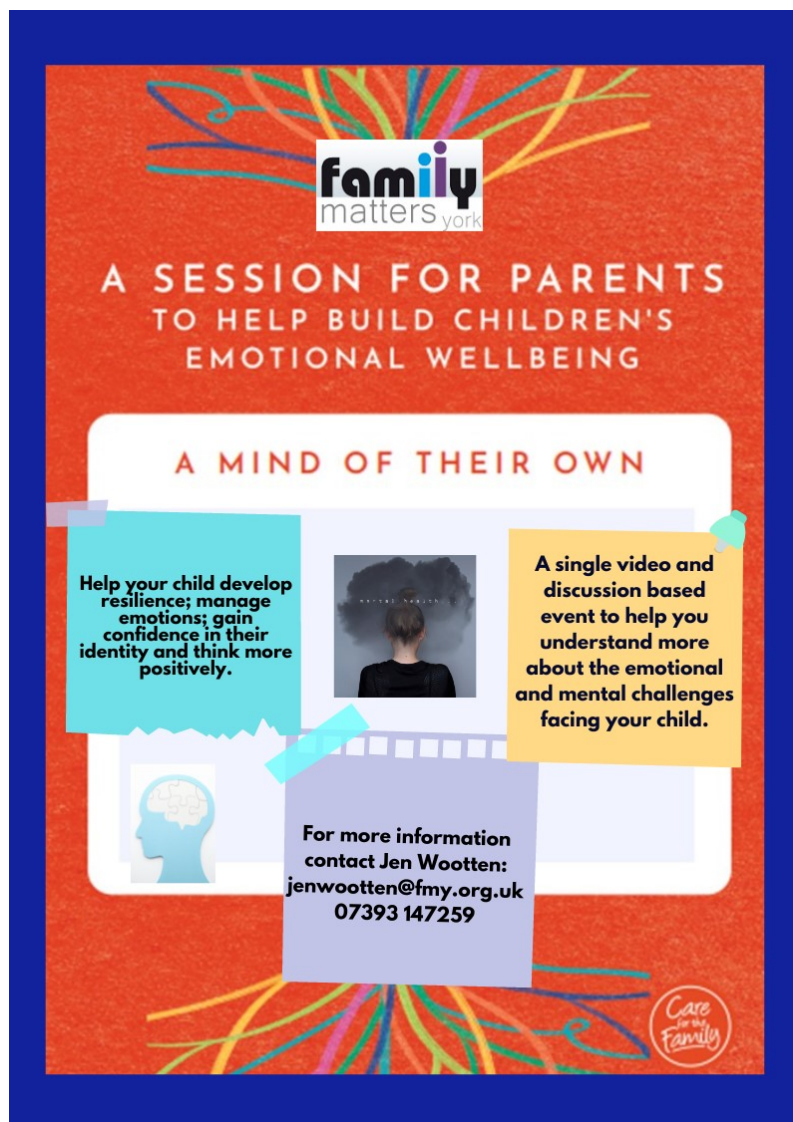
Click [here](#) to book your free place

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New FREE Event from Family Matters York

**'A Mind Of Their Own'**

Building Children's Emotional Wellbeing



The poster features a vibrant orange background with a colorful, abstract, root-like pattern at the top and bottom. At the top center is the 'family matters\_york' logo. Below it, the text reads 'A SESSION FOR PARENTS TO HELP BUILD CHILDREN'S EMOTIONAL WELLBEING'. The main title 'A MIND OF THEIR OWN' is displayed in a white box. Below the title, there are three callout boxes: a light blue one on the left stating 'Help your child develop resilience; manage emotions; gain confidence in their identity and think more positively.' with a brain icon; a central image of a person's back with the text 'mental health'; and a yellow one on the right stating 'A single video and discussion based event to help you understand more about the emotional and mental challenges facing your child.' At the bottom, a purple box provides contact information: 'For more information contact Jen Wootten: jenwootten@fmy.org.uk 07393 147259'. A small 'Care for the Family' logo is in the bottom right corner.

### **A Mind of Their Own**

**1 in 6**

children aged 5-16 are likely to have a mental health problem.

**50%**

of all mental health problems start by the age of 14.

**5**

children in a classroom of 30 are likely to have a mental health problem.





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## 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

Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust is an equal opportunities employer, committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Enhanced DBS check required.

