



School Newsletter

Barnabas the Encourager

Courage, Compassion, Creativity

Message from Miss Boardman

What a lovely start to the new term with amazing sunny weather! This means the field is open, much to everyone's delight. Children have been enjoying the extra space to play in our beautiful grounds.

Everyone has returned with great attitudes to their learning in class and have been working really hard.

I have been very pleased to see a lot fewer children late to school this week which is a great improvement from before the Easter break. Please keep it up! Children should be in their classrooms by 8:45am ready to start the day.

Well done to Mrs Bruce who has had some of her work about changes in our local area published by the Historical Association. She designed and wrote a sequence of primary History lessons about how the Leeman Road area has changed over time. There are lots of fantastic photos and interviews with some local people so you may be interested in taking a look.. Click [here](#) to view it.

We think it's hugely important for children to learn about the history of their local area so these lessons now form a key part of our History curriculum.

The school will be fully open as usual on the next strike days of 27th April and 2nd May.

Certificates

Congratulations to the superstar children receiving awards this week:

Attenborough: Conor, Alexander & Evie

Hadid: Kacper, Rita & Rowan

Farah: Oscar, TJ, Logan & Julia

Kahlo: Eli, Freyja & Natan

Headteacher's Award: Charlotte in Y5

Well done everyone!

Tax Free Childcare

We now offer Tax Free Childcare, a government scheme introduced to help with the cost of wrap around care. For every £8 you pay the government will add an extra £2. Please follow the link to see if you are eligible and to apply: <https://www.gov.uk/get-tax-free-childcare>

How to book your child's sessions

1. Please notify the school office that you have set up a tax free childcare account.
2. Work out how many sessions you need to book. Charges are as follows:

Breakfast Club £4.75—7.30am to 8.30am

After School Club Early Bird £5—3.15pm to 5pm

Full After School Club £7.50—3.15pm to 6pm

3. Login to your tax free childcare account and make a payment to St Barnabas C E Primary. Please remember to make note of your payment reference number, you will need this to complete our booking form instead of booking on Parent Pay.

4. Complete our booking form (links are below for April and May). Going forward they will be sent out to you on the 1st of every month. You will need to book all sessions a month in advance. If you need to book an extra session at short notice, please submit another form and this will be picked up in the school office.

April booking form:

<https://forms.gle/fPwuA4BxDgfhQU9>

May booking form:

<https://forms.gle/gWKBxWMju8vQ2vc37>

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This week's attendance

Whole school target: 96%

Whole school attendance: 91.32%

Attenborough Class: 91.19%

Hadid Class: 100%

Farah Class: 88.48%

Kahlo Class: 92.54%

Well done to Hadid class.

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

Emergency Alert System Test—this Sunday

Phones will receive a message and a loud sound this Sunday at 3pm as a test of the government's new emergency warning system. Find out more [here](#).

Volunteers needed

Can you spare an hour or so each week?

We always welcome volunteers in school in particular to read with the children.

If you or a relative can spare some time and you would like to support the children in school, please get in touch.

Volunteers need to have a DBS check which will be organised by us.



Dates (new dates added)

Monday 1st May—Bank holiday

Friday 5th May—Coronation Picnic Lunch

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

Thurs 18th May—Seaside themed lunch

Friday 26th May—INSET School Closed

Monday 29th May—Half term

Monday 5th June—Children return

Friday 14th July—Family Picnic and Sports Day from 12 noon

Thursday 20th July—Summer & Y6 Leavers Disco KS1 5:30-6:30pm, KS2 8:30pm

Tuesday 25th July—Leavers' Service 2pm at Church

Tuesday 25th July—School closes for summer holiday

Tuesday 5th September—School reopens

Click [here](#) to view term dates for 2023-24



Spaces available for children aged 2½ to 4

15 hours & 30 hours funded places available

01904 936330
leemanroad.playgroup@hotmail.co.uk

Did you know that the on-site Leeman Road Playgroup takes children from 2 and a half years old?

Spaces are limited so if you would like your child to attend the Playgroup when they are old enough, please get in touch to register your child and give an indication of when you will need the place.

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Attenborough Miss J Davison

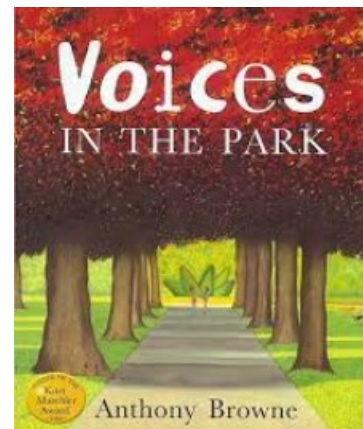
A great start to the summer term. Reception have been learning about castles and number bonds to 10 whilst year 1s have been writing character descriptions for a wolf and looking at grouping in multiplications for maths. We have had fun on the chrome books, looked at what belonging means, discussed different types of families and the area we live in.

The highlights of our week have involved stories. For Muddy Monday the children role played a section of the story of Little Red Riding Hood and on Friday we enjoyed a great author visit where we learnt about writing stories.



Hadid Ms Pena-Harran & Mrs R Bruce

We have started our new English unit this week based in Voices in the Park by Anthony Browne. We have really enjoyed looking at all the details in the pictures and finding out about the different characters



We are looking forward to meeting an author on Friday afternoon who will talk to us about her book 'The Adventures of Detective Dopeyworth.'

This week we have started our music unit for this half term. We've been listening carefully to a new song and finding the beat. You could try this at home with your own favourite songs.

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Farah Ms Graystone

Farah class have made an astounding start to the new term and have really enjoyed exploring our new topics. On Monday, we found out that we need light to be able to see... not just our eyes! We explored what happened when we had a bit of light, no light and lots of light to prove this point!

In English, we are learning to write persuasive arguments linked to a wonderful book, *The King Banned the Dark*. The children are going to write a letter to the king to persuade him to change his mind. One of their favourite arguments is to remind him how expensive his electricity bill is going to be if he keeps the lights on all the time!



Kahlo Mr Levick

Kahlo Class have made a fantastic return to school, and I have been really proud of them. Our two highlights this week:

- Finishing our old class novel and starting our new novel, *Cogheart*.
- Researching where our school uniforms come from, most of which were from Asia.

As the weather heats up, please feel free to send your child to school with some roll on deodorant, especially on PE days. Please note: no aerosols or sprays permitted. Thank you!



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Family Matters Course

Spaces are still available on the Primary Years Parenting Course.

This is very local at The Barnabas Centre, Salisbury Terrace, York, YO26 4XP

'Become a more confident and happy parent. Join us to discover ways to meet your child's emotional needs while also creating helpful boundaries'.

Starts Thursday 27th April 9.30am to 11.30am. The course is 5 weeks

long

Visit www.fmy.org.uk/york to find out more and to sign up.

TIME OUT FOR PARENTS: THE PRIMARY YEARS

PLACES STILL AVAILABLE

5 Thursday sessions
Starts Thursday 27th April
9.30 - 11.30am
@ The Barnabas Centre,
Salisbury Terrace, York
YO26 4XP

Sign up and join us for.....

A safe space to share the ups and downs of parenting; to share ideas with other parents; to learn strategies to help support you and your child; to realise you are not alone!

A course led by trained facilitators to help you support your child as they begin to find out how the world works & learn how to manage their feelings.

Sign up via the Website: www.fmy.org.uk/york/

Or contact Jen Wootten

Tel: 07393 147259 Email: jenwootten@fmy.org.uk



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OUR SCHOOLS ARE RECRUITING

Support Staff Vacancies

For details and to apply, visit our [website](http://www.stbarnabasprimary.co.uk) or scan the QR code



Job	Estates & Facilities Apprentice
School	Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust
Details	Apprentice National Minimum Wage Level 3 Apprenticeship Training Course - Facilities Management Supervisor
Closes	N/A

Job	Cook (External Vacancy)
School	Rufforth Primary School
Details	Hutchison Catering Term time only, £10.88 per hour 10.5 hours per week - Wednesday & Friday 08:30 to 13:45 Please contact - Susie Arnold 07500 958950 or email susie@hutchisoncatering.co.uk
Closes	N/A

Job	Administrative Assistant
School	Hempland Primary School
Details	Grade 4 Level 1: £21,120 per annum (£8,812 pro rata) Part Time: 18 hours per week (Term time only)
Closes	Thursday 27 April at midnight

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