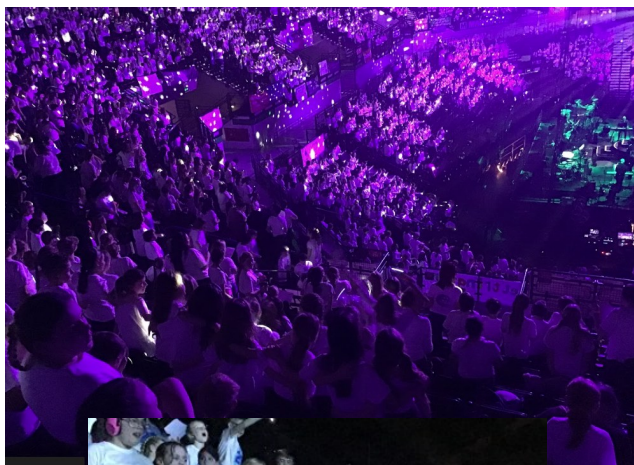




Dear Parents/Carers

Hello and welcome to our latest newsletter and what a miserable and grey week it has been, I am sure you are all crossing your fingers for some signs of better weather soon! Despite the awful weather, we have been so busy and have had so much to celebrate in school this week.

First of all, a HUGE thank you to all of the staff and volunteers who made Young Voices happen. The children who went were absolutely buzzing in my assembly on Monday morning and clearly loved every minute of it, the big question in school this week was how long until next time?! An extra special thank you Mrs Hamill, Mrs MacFadyen and Mrs Robson Beck who did a lot of the organising and administrative work behind the scenes and well done to all of the children who behaved beautifully.



Thank you to Miss Ripton, Mrs Hargreaves, Mrs Bird, Mrs Hardy, Mrs McGuigan, Miss Housley and Miss Potter who made this Year 2 sleepover happen last night. It is such an important experience for our children and will set them up well for the offer of overnight and residential visits as they move through school. Next up we have Year 6 who will spend all of next week at Bewerley Park!

ONLINE SAFETY:

We are seeing a worrying increase of younger children who play Fortnite. Please can I remind you that Fortnite is rated 12+ primarily for its frequent, cartoon-style mild violence (shooting, battling fantasy characters) and its unmoderated online social interactions, including voice/text chat with strangers, which can expose younger players to offensive language, bullying, and pressure. While the violence isn't graphic, the risk comes from the real-time communication with unknown people, making parental controls and monitoring crucial for younger players.

Here is a useful guide for parents:

<https://childmind.org/article/parents-guide-dealing-fortnite/>

If you need support with parental controls or are worried that your child is addicted to gaming or exhibiting unsafe online behaviour please let us know so that we can support you.

HEALTH:

We have seen a slight increase in coughs and colds this week, here is some really useful information from the NHS about when you need to be concerned and what to do:

<https://www.healthiertogether.nhs.uk/child-under-12-years/cough-and-cold>

BULLYING:

A reminder that ECPS has zero tolerance towards bullying of any kind. If you feel that your child is being bullied you should and **MUST** report it using this online form. If you would like a paper copy, please see Mrs Hamill. Your report will be taken very seriously and thoroughly investigated.

<https://www.easingwoldprimary.co.uk/report-bullying>

STOP
BULLYING
STAND UP. SPEAK OUT.

YEAR 1 RNLI REDCAR TRIP:

On Tuesday, Year 1 visited the Zetland museum and the RNLI centre in Redcar. The children learnt all about the oldest lifeboat and how it was used to help rescue people from shipwrecks, particularly without the aid of technology which we are lucky to have today. They also saw a modern lifeboat and watched a demonstration as to how it works and how the RNLI continue to work to keep people safe in the water.

One thing we have all taken from it is not to use inflatables in the sea! The children were fantastically behaved the entire time and all demonstrated our school values.



WORKERS OF THE WEEK:

Our Workers of the Week this week are:

- Felix B - Mrs Cooper/Miss Housley's Class
- Archie RH - Mrs O'Neill's Class
- Olivia D - Miss Woolloff's Class
- Whole Class! - Mrs Hargreaves's Class
- Scarlett Hagland & Whole Class! - Miss Ripton's Class
- Pippa W - Miss Galtrey's Class
- Kacper - Miss Mossop's Class
- Darcie S - Mrs Robson-Beck's Class
- Iris M - Mrs MacFadyen's Class
- Flynn H - Mr Sleightholme's Class
- Darcie R - Mrs Hannam's Class



Well done to you all!

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD:

This week I would like to give special recognition to:

- Emily S and Lyra J for being kind to a younger pupil.
- Felix B for excellent table tennis skills and playing fairly.
- Oliver Sh for always doing the right thing even when nobody is watching.
- Lucas R for being a Year 1 superstar!



GOVERNOR UPDATE:

The Governing Body met on Tuesday for our first session of 2026. We welcomed Mrs Hannam as our newest governor and thanked Miss Potter for stepping up and managing the school in Mrs Parratt's absence. A job very well done! We also welcomed Mrs Parratt back after her operation.

We reviewed our proposed strategic plan - this sets broad objectives for the school to achieve over the next 3 years, relating to our quality of education, teaching development, financial sustainability and community engagement. This will be published onto the school's website once fully agreed and will be reviewed at every governor's meeting.

We continue to review how the governors monitor against the School Development Plan and have agreed a new method of monitoring with a monitoring window to be put in place. This should make it easier for governors to get into school during less busy times for staff and review how we are progressing.

We received training from Mrs Parratt on LADO - the Local Authority Designated Officer - so we are able to assist in investigations where it is suspected that an adult connected with the school has acted inappropriately towards a child in our care and also on Safer Recruitment - which enables us to participate in interviews for new staff.

We also heard an update on our plans to open our own nursery, the growth of Millfield Junior Parkrun and how the school is now linked (a takeover event will be coming soon watch this space!) and praised the achievement of meeting our attendance target.

The impact this meeting has had on our children is:

- *Ensuring our safeguarding understanding and training is up to date (LADO and Safer Recruitment training)
- *Understanding next steps and timelines in our plan to open our own nursery
- *Setting monitoring windows for the next 2 terms to help governors attend school and provide certainty for staff in avoiding busier periods
- *Achieving higher attendance figures helps our children build those essential routines for future success.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 17th March.

GOLDEN LETTERS:

Congratulations to our Golden Letter recipients this week:

Poppy B, George C, Lena K and Alice S.

Keep up the great work!



NORTH YORKSHIRE & YORK MUSIC HUB:

Please see the information below for details of some music and vocal project days being held by North Yorkshire and York Music Hub which you might be interested in.

North Yorkshire and York Music Hub
ENSEMBLES PROJECT DAYS

15 March
19 April
14 June
20 June

10am - 3pm

The Regen Centre
Landing Lane
YO19 6PW

Play an instrument?
Love making music with others?

Come and be part of our Instrumental Ensemble Days

A fantastic opportunity to rehearse, perform, and develop your ensemble skills with other musicians from across North Yorkshire and York in a supportive and welcoming environment.

Ensemble Project Days are **FREE**, & open to all children and young people from North Yorkshire and York above grade 2 on their instrument.

For more details, email: Countyhall.Music@northyorks.gov.uk

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North Yorkshire and York Music Hub
VOCAL PROJECT DAYS

7 March
18 April
16 May
20 June

10am - 3pm

Escrick C of E Primary School
Carr Lane
YO19 6JQ

Love to sing?
Want to perform with others?

Come and be part of our new Vocal Groups

A fun and inspiring space for young and aspiring singers from across North Yorkshire and York to rehearse, learn, and grow together.

Vocal Project Days are **FREE**, & open to all children and young people from North Yorkshire and York in Years 4 to 13

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NSPCC NUMBER DAY:

It has been great to see all of the children dressed for Number Day today! Thank you all for your donations - we have raised £104.95 for NSPCC!



MENU CHANGE—CHINESE NEW YEAR:

On Tuesday next week we will be marking Chinese New Year with a special menu, as follows:

Chicken Chow Mein with Noodles

Or

Sweet & Sour Veggie Meatballs with Rice
Served with Sweetcorn, Peas and Spring Rolls

Followed by

Chinese Yum Yum

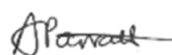
Jacket Potatoes & Sandwiches as normal on this day

YEAR 2 SLEEPOVER:

The Year 2 children had a wonderful time at last night's sleepover! The evening was filled with excitement as the children played games, drank hot chocolate and got cosy in bed watching a film. From setting up sleeping bags to packing up again in the morning, everyone showed great independence and enthusiasm.



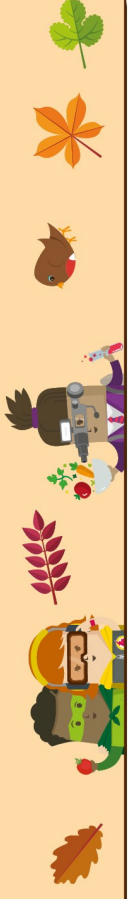
Have a lovely weekend.















Mrs A Parratt
Headteacher

Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please let us know if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone?

Spare newsletters are available in the rack outside the school office, together with holiday forms and permission to administer medicine forms. Tel: 01347 821282 email: admin@easingwoldprimary.co.uk.



Autumn/Winter Menu Week 1

WEEK ONE	FAVOURITES MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY – CHINESE NEW YEAR	ROAST WEDNESDAY	PIZZA PARTY THURSDAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal	Red Tractor Pork Sausage Roll & Home-baked Potato Wedges	Chicken Chow Mein with Noodles and a Spring Roll	Roast Chicken, Gravy, Stuffing & Mashed Potato	Tomato & Cheese Pizza & Home-baked Potato Wedges	Fish Fingers & Chips
Vegetarian Main Meal	Macaroni Cheese	Sweet & Sour Veggie Meatballs with Rice and a Spring Roll 	Creamy Bean & Vegetable Crumble with Mash Potatoes 	Vegetable Sausage in a Bun with Home-baked Potato Wedges 	Vegetable Fingers & Chips
Sandwiches/ Wraps	Cheese or Ham Wrap	Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham or Cheese Bap	Tuna or Cheese Sandwich	Ham or Cheese Wrap
Vegetables	Baked Beans & Sweetcorn	Sweetcorn & Peas	Seasonal Greens & Carrots 	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Sweetcorn 	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Baked Beans 
Baked Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans 	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans 	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans 	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans 	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Beans 
Dessert	Ginger Shortbread ^{vg}	Chinese Yum Yum	Strawberry Jelly ^{vg}	Oaty Cookie 	Valentines Cupcake!

SPRING TERM DIARY DATES:

SEN Parents' Evening: Wednesday 25th February

Parents' Evening 4pm-6.30pm: Wednesday 4th March (letter to follow)

World Book Day: Thursday 5th March

Howsham Mill - Mr Sleightholme's class: Monday 9th March - **NEW DATE**

Year 3/4 Production - Galtres Centre: Wednesday 18th March, evening (letter to follow)

Year 3/4 production - Galtres Centre: Thursday 19th March, afternoon (letter to follow)

Parents' Evening 4pm-6.30pm: Thursday 19th March (letter to follow)

Howsham Mill (Miss Mossop & Miss Galtrey) Thursday 26th March

Howsham Mill (Mrs Robson-Beck) Friday 27th March

Year 6 Bewerley Park Residential: Monday 9th February - Friday 13th February

Year 5 Liverpool Residential: Monday 23rd March - Wednesday 25th March

Year 4 East Barnby Residential: Wednesday 20th May - Friday 22nd May