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Wigginton Primary School



Mr Laycock's Message

Welcome back everyone! We hope that you had a brilliant Easter holiday and enjoyed the lovely weather. The children have returned with such energy and, as always, brilliant attitudes to learning.

On Tuesday, we had some headteachers from other York schools visit, along with the Local Authority Inclusion Advisor. They were blown away with what they saw: high expectations, brilliant relationships, consistency across school, care, independence, enthusiasm and lots of fun! What really shone through was the culture of inclusivity, both through staff and pupils, which was described as mind-blowingly beautiful! We are extremely proud of how our children support each other, understand that we are all unique and that this is to be celebrated. As one of the children said, 'We are all different, and it's ok to be different.' We work hard to make sure that children feel that they belong and are valued members of school and that they are supported further when needed. It was lovely for this to be recognised.

Thank you for your support in ensuring children are ready for school and for working with us. This visit reflects the collaboration of the whole community.



Please remind children that they should not be using any play equipment before and after school. In particular, the tyres which are painted red are not to be moved or climbed on at any point.

Upcoming Events

Today

Last day to give consent and/or make a contribution to the Year 3&4 Eden Camp trip.

Wednesday 22nd April
KS2 Coding Tournament

Friday 24th April
Year 3&4 Swimming


Monday 27th April
Mini Marathon Week

Monday 4th May
School Closed for
Early May Bank
Holiday

Monday 11th May
SATs Week



COMMUNITY

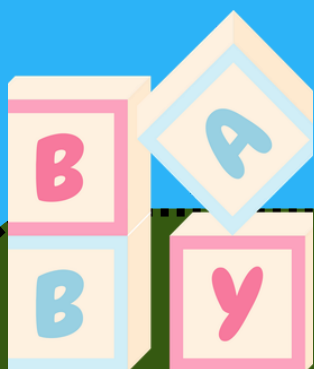


We raised £205 for
Red Nose Day!
Well done!



Bake Sale!

Elin, Nilah, Phoebe & Ivy will be holding a bake sale on Friday (24th) to raise money for Oscar's Paediatric Brain Tumour Charity. Oscar's helped Elsie Walker, a pupil at Headlands & friend of the girls', who sadly lost her fight with cancer in February. The cake sale will be on the Year 3/4 playground. Well done on your fundraising and supporting this amazing charity in memory of your dear friend.



Staff News

Last week, Miss Partington shared the very exciting news that she is going to be having a baby boy! She is due in September and is therefore planning to be off school next academic year.

VACANCY

We have a vacancy for a play team member to become part of our Opal midday staff. This involves facilitating and supervising play at lunchtime. We are looking for someone to start after the Easter holidays working term-time only.



Monday to Friday 11.50am until 1.05pm.



£12.69 per hour

No previous experience is required as training will be given. Further details are on our website and also available from the school office.

Every day in school
makes a difference
to your child's future.

Speak to your school for support and advice on
how best to improve your child's attendance.

Team Points

Congratulations to Ouse, who
collected the most team points
last half term. As a reward,
their non-uniform day will be on
Monday, 27th April.

Phonics Screening Check Information Meeting

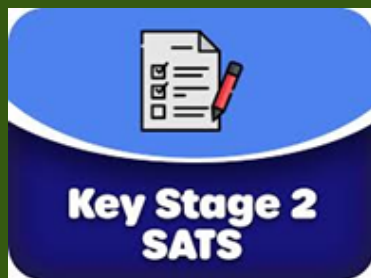
There will be a Phonics Screening Check information meeting for parents/ carers of Year 1 children and any Year 2 parent/ carers whose child will be taking the check again this year. The screening check will take place in June this year. There will be opportunity to ask questions and pick up useful resources to help your child.

The meeting will be on Tuesday 12th May at 2.40pm. Please go to the school office upon arrival.

For any parent/ carers unable to attend, we will send out an information letter after the meeting.

We hope you can attend and look forward to seeing you there.

KS1 team



KS2 SATs Meeting for
Parents/ Carers of Y6 Pupils
This meeting will be held on
Thursday 30th April at
4.30pm in Mrs Ryding's
classroom. It will be an
opportunity to find out more
about the upcoming tests and
ask any questions you may
have.

This half term we are focusing on **creativity**. Adults in school will be rewarding children with stickers whenever a child demonstrates excellent creativity. Children are given a team point for each sticker. Throughout the year, there are stickers for each school value - get collecting!



Lunchtimes Update

Thank you to everyone who contributed to OPAL Bingo last term! We had lots of excellent donations which the children will love playing with. The winning class was 5/6P - well done! Their reward was an extra OPAL playtime which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



As you have probably seen, we are now the proud owners of a boat! This has been something we've wanted to add to our provision for a long time. The PTA have generously funded the purchase of this - thank you very much! Mrs Ackrel sourced 'Little Auk' back in January and took delivery on what was possibly the wettest day of the year! The play team and the children worked very hard to dig out the base for it over the next few weeks and then Mrs Roberts and some parents from her daughter's football team moved it into place one Saturday morning. We are very grateful for their help with this part of the process. The next step was to fill in the gaps around its hull so that it is secure and stable which again the children helped with. A few tyres turned into planters and the heavy work was finished!

The final step before the children can use it is, as always, an OPAL assembly where we negotiate how to use it safely and responsibly. This will take place this Thursday and then we are very much looking forward to seeing how the children play with this over the coming weeks.



We would like to set up a 'bubble station' this term. If anyone has any bubble blowing resources like those pictures below, we would be very grateful for them. They can be left in the donations box just inside the front doors to school. Thank you.

For queries about larger items or anything else you think may be useful to us please email l.ackrel1@wiggintonprimary.co.uk.

SAVE THE DATE!

On Wednesday 3rd June, we will be having a parent/carers stay and play OPAL session from 3.15 - 4.15pm. More details will be sent out nearer the time but please save this date!

WIGGINTON PRIMARY PTA

Parents Page



Welcome back to Summer Term!

8 MAY - ATTENBOROUGH CELEBRATIONS

First of we would like to remind you of the 100th birthday celebrations for David Attenborough. Time for the kids to get crafty over May bank holiday and create an animal mask to wear to school to celebrate his birthday on 8th May. There are lots of free templates on the internet to cut out and colour. There are prizes for the best creations or the most unique animal!

SUMMER FAIR

Our main focus this half term is the Summer Fair. Year 6 are already planning their stalls and we have some fab new games this year along with old favourites!

This year our Summer Fair Sponsors are

York Mumbler

<https://york.mumbler.co.uk/>

Churchills Estate Agents

<https://www.churchillsestateagents.co.uk/>

The PTA are grateful for their support!

Donations

We welcome donations of the following

1. Filled jam jars for the tombola. No unwrapped sweets or nuts please. If you are struggling for ideas - party bag items and confectionery are always a winner!
2. Bottles! Unopened and in date bottles of ANYTHING! Bubble bath, alcohol, hot sauce
3. Any unopened gifts such as toiletry sets, home decor items etc.

We have had a few donations already.

THANK-YOU!

We do have space to store donations and these can be left at school Reception marked up for the PTA.

Volunteers

Without volunteers the fair simply wouldn't happen or has to be scaled back. This is our main fundraiser for the whole year so if you can spare an hour to run a stall or cover the entry gate or even help us setup please do get in touch.

Raffle

Local businesses have been very generous again this year. We are still seeking prizes for the raffle.

Vouchers, hampers, gift cards, experiences. How about sponsoring a prize- so of if you own or work for a business that doesn't maybe have a suitable service or product it can offer - what about a sponsoring a gift card for Amazon or a supermarket. We have space at the fair by the raffle setup for donors to leave publicity/ business cards and will always publicly thank those who donate. Email or message the Facebook page if you think you can help.

OTHER NEWS

As always we are hoping to hold the Summer Disco towards the end of next term and ice lolly sales if the weather is hot enough.



Proud to Support

Candlelighters

Supporting the families of children with cancer

Mini Marathon!

This exciting event is designed to promote physical fitness, school spirit, and community giving, all within the safety of our school grounds.

Our young athletes will be challenged to complete a 2-mile course mapped out across the school field and playgrounds. Whether they run, jog, or walk, the goal is to take part in a physical challenge and have a fantastic time doing it.

To make this event even more impactful, we are using the Mini Marathon as a fundraiser for 'The Candlelighters Trust' currently supporting an ex-pupil of ours, Harry Rowntree and the other half for school equipment that supports the benefits of physical exercise.

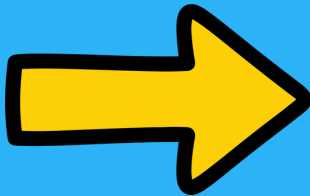
We encourage students to collect sponsorship from friends and family. No amount is too small—every penny raised goes towards making a difference.

How to Sponsor:

1. Sponsorship Form: Your child will have been sent home with a paper form to complete.
2. Online Giving: All money will be paid online via parent pay from 27th April

Please send your child to school in PE kit and with a water bottle on their mini marathon day.

Timetable



Monday 27th April - 2D
Tuesday 28th April - EYFS, 1KF & 2B
Wednesday 29th April - Year 3/4
Thursday 30th April - Year 5/6

INTERESTED IN A CHALLENGE THIS YEAR?

SIGN UP TO REPRESENT YORK CITY FOOTBALL CLUB FOUNDATION AT THE YORK CHARITY SLEEPOUT 30TH APRIL 2026

FOR ONLY ONE NIGHT ON APRIL 30TH, SWAP YOUR BED FOR A SLEEPING BAG SLEEP IN THE LNER COMMUNITY STADIUM, HOME OF YORK CITY FOOTBALL CLUB AND YORK RLFC. FUNDRAISING FOR LOCAL CHARITIES ACROSS YORK: HOPING STREET KITCHEN, KITCHEN FOR EVERYONE YORK AND YORK CITY FOOTBALL CLUB FOUNDATION. HOPING STREET KITCHEN AND KITCHEN FOR EVERYONE ARE FRONTLINE SERVICES DIRECTLY SUPPORTING ROUGH SLEEPERS AND HOMELESSNESS ACROSS YORK, WHILST YORK CITY FOUNDATION WORKS DIRECTLY WITH YOUNG DISADVANTAGED PEOPLE TO PROVIDE FREE, ACCESSIBLE ACTIVITIES AND DECREASE FOOD POVERTY. IT'S A FANTASTIC CHANGE TO COME TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY, SHARE STORIES, AND MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE.

 SIGN UP TODAY

VIA EVENTBRITE

[HTTPS://WWW.EVENTBRITE.CO.UK/E/YORK-CHARITY-SLEEPOUT-2026-TICKETS-1984030534738?AFF=EBDSOPORGPROFILE](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/york-charity-sleepout-2026-tickets-1984030534738?aff=EBDSOPORGPROFILE)



SUPPORTED BY MEDIA PARTNERS: 



These are our Spelling Bee 2026 winners. Well done to all the children for taking part. We are proud of every single one of them for having a go and also for dealing with disappointment at times over the years. It is nice to see some children finally getting the places that they worked so hard for.

Mrs Sweeting, English Lead

Reception

Alexander Dey, Olivia Finch-Bradford, Alfred Langley, Ava Benford, Lili Highes, Aska Cordell

Year 1 and 2

Gold: Elsie Richardson

Silver: Aadidev Midhun-Nair

Bronze: Lola Pheby



Year 3 and 4

Gold: Oliver Sharp

Silver: William Gospel

Bronze: Jack Pybus



Year 5 and 6

Gold: Quinn Taylor,

Silver: Ava Campbell

Bronze: Oscar Morley

FREE

Handling Anger in the Family

ALL families experience anger and conflict.

It's normal!

But how often do we talk about it?



Tackling subjects like:

anger triggers, stress and anger.

anger responses, warning signs.

calming strategies, better communication.

Join our **FREE 5 session course** to find out more about anger and its impact on our family relationships.

Learn simple strategies to manage strong emotions and communicate better.

(Free childcare available)

Starts Thursday 23rd April 2026

9.45 - 11.45am @ Hob Moor Children's Centre, Green Lane, Acomb, York YO24 4RF

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Course code SP2



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SUMMER FAIR



Sponsored by
York Mumbler and Churchills

Churchills

**ALL ARE WELCOME
TO JOIN IN THE FUN**

£1 entry
adults
children
free

**Crafts
BBQ and Bar
Inflatables
Games and Tombolas
Grand Raffle
Singstars, Flying Ducks
Matt Fidge Martial Arts
and much more!**

**Saturday 13 June
1pm - 4pm**

Wigginton School Playing Fields





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To celebrate Sir David Attenborough's 100th Birthday, children are invited to make or wear animal masks, hats or head boppers to school in addition to normal school uniform.

No face paint please

8 May 2026

This event is open to all pupils and no donations are required. There will be prizes for the best creations!

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Summer Fair Sponsors







York Mumblor

Churchill Estate Agents

Coming Up!

Click here for
[Class Times and PE Days](#)

Day	Date	Time	Event	Details
Friday	24 th April	1pm	Year 3 & 4 Swimming Starts	Class Page
Monday to Friday	27 th April	All Week	Mini-Marathon	Class Dates
Monday	4 th May	All day	Early May Bank Holiday	
Friday	8 th May	All Day	David Attenborough Day	Further Information
Monday to Friday	11-15 th May	All Week	SATs Week	Meeting
Thursday	14 th May	School Hours	Year 3 & 4 Eden Camp Trip	Class Page
Monday-Friday	11 th - 15 th May	2.45pm	EYFS Stay and Share	Class Newsletter Email
Monday	18 th May	1-3pm	EYFS Circus Skills Workshop	Class Pages
Monday to Friday	18 th - 22 nd May	School Hours	Walk to School Week	
Friday	22 nd May	3.15pm	School closes for Half Term	
Monday	1 st June	8.45am	School Opens for Summer 2	
Tuesday	9 th June	Morning	Class Photographs	
Saturday	13 th June	1-4pm	School Summer Fair	Summer fair



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

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



The 18th Scarecrow Festival



2nd-4th May 2026

Do you live or work in Haxby or Wigginton?
Enter our annual Scarecrow Festival!

A great family weekend, raising money for charity

Register by 10th April * to enter!
hwmc.org.uk/scarecrows

Register online
at our website
from 1st March

Make and display a scarecrow
in your garden or shopfront

(* Registrations we receive after this date will need to
be on a route we've planned out. Register early!)

Register by
Friday
10th April *



Or collect a paper
registration form at:

- Aroma Coffee Shop
- The Methodist Church

Return your form by
Friday 10th April

Email: scarecrows@hwmc.org.uk