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Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Dear parent/ carer,

### Changes to the school day from September

We have made the decision to switch the start and finish times for EYFS/KS1 and KS2. From September, they will be as follows:

	Start Time	Finish Time
EYFS and KS1	8:45am (Soft start means doors would be open from 8:40)	3:15pm
KS2	8:55am	3:25pm

There are numerous reasons behind this decision – we feel the younger children would benefit from being in earlier so that more can be fitted in in the morning when they are most ready to learn. We feel the older pupils would benefit more from a longer afternoon as it would mean lessons could be more easily fitted in. We also feel this would enable our KS2 pupils to be more punctual, allowing us to have a softer start in the morning.

### Whole School Trip to the Seaside – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July

We are all really looking forward to our trip the seaside on the 5<sup>th</sup> July. Thank you so much to all of you have offered to come with us. We still need a few more volunteers so if anyone else is available to help, please contact your child's class teacher.

As I said last week, on the day the children will need to wear sensible clothes and footwear and should ensure they have a sun hat and sun cream if it is sunny or waterproofs and wellies if it is raining. The children can also bring a small bucket and spade if they wish. We thought it would also be beneficial for them to bring a towel that they can sit on and clean sandy feet with!

Whilst there is no cost for the trip, we will need your permission. Please log in to Parentpay to give permission for your child to come on the trip.

## Prayer Spaces with Yoyo at St Nicholas Church

Fabian and Henry told me all about the visit to church yesterday for years 2, 3, 4 and 5. During the visit the children thought about different ways to pray to God. Yoyo had set up stations in the church which were different for each year group. Fabian told us the first one he went to was an arts and craft station where you could craft something about nature – he used pipe cleaners to make a tree and a paper plate to make a mountain. Henry told us about the animals they made in year 3 – he made a duck and a bat out of paper. Fabian also enjoyed the activity with two bowls where you were watching how ice melted in water whilst Henry enjoyed writing kind words on a cup. Year 4 had the chance to write thank you letters to the cooks and year 3 had the chance to sort abandoned items into different groups. Every class loved watching the huge water lamp – whilst watching they had the chance to record things they were thankful for.

Thank you to everyone at Yoyo and to Mrs Bradley for organising such a lovely visit.



## Cricket Festival

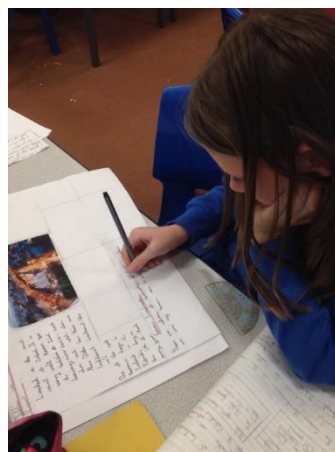
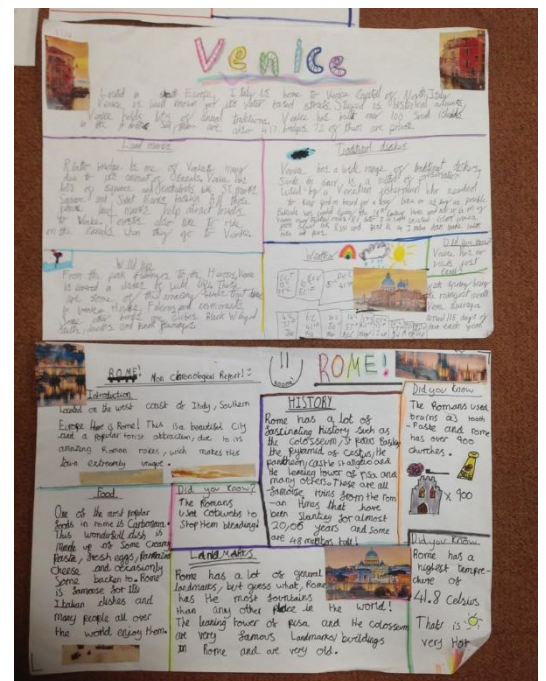
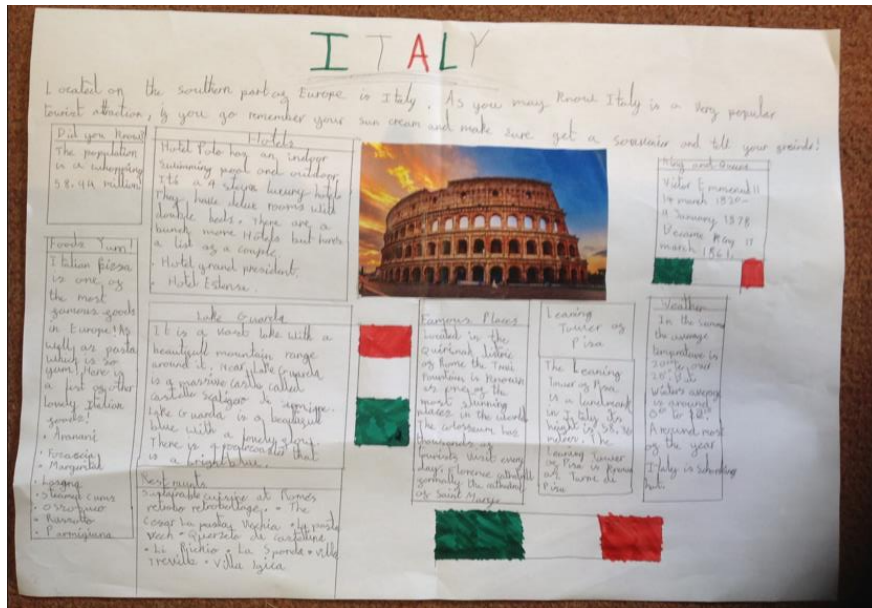
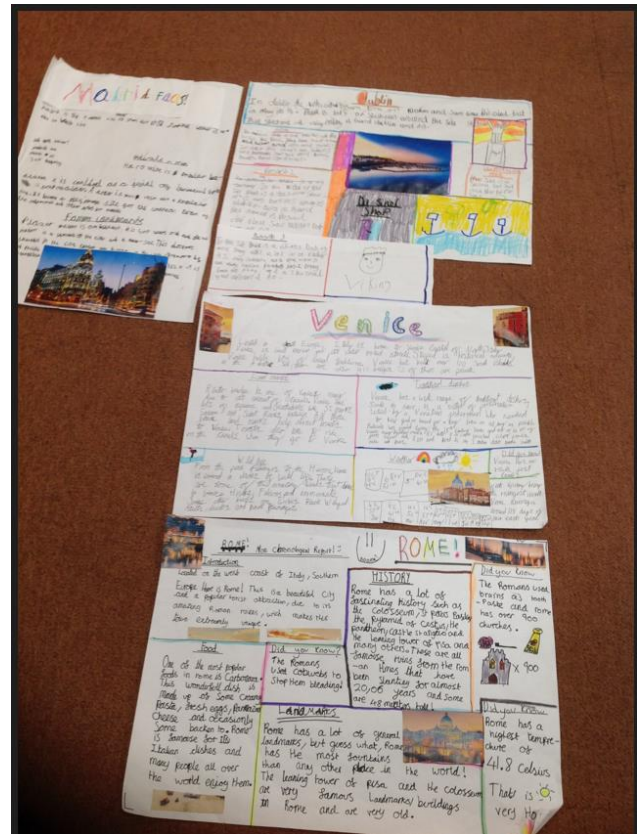
We took 3 teams to the York Schools Cricket Festival on Friday held at Dunnington Sports Club. Our Y3/4 teams won two and lost two placing them in 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall. Mr Sellers was very proud of the team who gained a lot of experience throughout the morning.

The two Y5/6 teams played some amazing cricket and we had one team finish in 3<sup>rd</sup> place and one team finishing in 1<sup>st</sup> position. They are through to the North Yorkshire finals on the 20<sup>th</sup> June so watch this space for further results and we wish them lots of luck!

A lovely day and well supported by the parents! Thank you as always!

## Spotlight on writing

This week, we are shining a spotlight on some of the brilliant writing in year 4. They have been writing non-chronological reports – I am sure you will agree they look fantastic! Thank you to Fabian, Nina, Olivia, Katie, Ebony, Oliver, Rosie and Victoria for sharing your writing.





## Coloured Hamper Raffle

The popular coloured hamper raffle is back and will be drawn at the Summer Fair on Friday 5th July 2024.

We would really appreciate it if your child could bring an item to school in the following colour:

- EYFS (Mrs Elliott) - Blue
- Y1/2 (Mrs Abbott/Mrs Rowntree) - Green
- Y1/2 (Mrs Priest) - Purple
- Y3/4 (Miss Dunn) - Yellow/gold
- Y3/4 (Mrs Todd/Mrs Jones) - White/silver
- Y5 (Miss Sugden) - Orange
- Y6 (Miss Dickenson) - Red

Friday 28th June - non-uniform day in return for bringing an item for your class hamper (wearing something that matches your class colour is encouraged, but not essential)

## Dates for your Diary

New dates will be added in bold each week

### June 2024

Year 4 Swimming	Thursdays AMs Up until the 27 <sup>th</sup> June
Frozen Fridays Ice lollies on sale for 50p in both playgrounds	Every Friday until the end of term
Year 1 Phonics Screening Check (and year 2 re-takes)	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June
New Starter Parent's Evening	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 6pm
Year 3 and 4 trip to Magna	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June
Year 5 Residential to Newby Wiske	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June
New starter afternoon for parents and children	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2pm-3pm
New starter afternoons	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June
Non uniform day in return for bringing an item for your class hamper – wearing something that matches your class colour is encouraged but not essential	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June

### July 2024

Provisional KS2 Sports Day	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July (Back up Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July)
Year 6 Transition Day and transition afternoon for all other classes	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July
Whole school trip to the seaside	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July
<b>PTA Summer Fair (after school)</b>	<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July until 5:30 (finish time incorrect last week)</b>
Reports sent out to parents	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> July (delayed by a day due to whole school trip)
Provisional KS1 Sports Day	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July (Back up Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July)
Year 5 and 6 Production	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July and Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July (evening- exact time TBC).
Transition morning for all pupils	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July
PTA Disco	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July
Year 6 Leavers' Service	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July
Last day of term for pupils	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July
Disaggregated Inset Day – school closed for pupils	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July

As always, don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

With very best wishes,

Clare Thompson

## **Job Opportunity at Over the Rainbow**

### **Over the Rainbow**

1 x Playworker Vacancy

We currently have the opportunity for a Part Time (25 hours p/week) playworker to join our team on a permanent basis to work in our busy Breakfast and Out of School club.

The successful candidate will be required to work 7.15am – 9am and 2:45pm to 6pm Monday to Friday. Additional hours may be offered during school holidays. Hours can be negotiable and discussed at interview.

The successful candidate must have experience of or be able to demonstrate:

- A good understanding of the playwork
- Involvement in the planning of out of school club activities
- Lead and or support safe creative and appropriate play opportunities for a range of different age groups
- Willingness to undertake training opportunities
- Care for the everyday needs of children and help to ensure a safe and secure setting

#### **Experience**

We are looking for a committed, self-motivated person who enjoys providing high quality childcare to children. You must be a highly motivated and enthusiastic person who can work on your own initiative as well as part of a team.

A Level 3 Qualification in playwork/childcare/early years is an advantage but not essential

#### **Staff Benefits**

- 10 days paid sick leave on a 12-month rolling programme
- 3 days closure days between Christmas and New Year
- Additional leave awarded for length of service
- Free childcare for staff with children attending the host school (after school, breakfast, and holiday club only)
- Opt in pension scheme
- Free onsite parking
- Yearly flu jab voucher
- Staff health assistance scheme
- Staff uniform provided

#### **Salary**

The starting salary is based on the minimum wage increasing for qualified staff.

To apply please request an application pack from the manager Emma Patterson  
[OTRManager@overtherainbowyork.co.uk](mailto:OTRManager@overtherainbowyork.co.uk)

The deadline for receiving completed applications is 2 July 2024.



NEW for 2024...

## SPORTS CORNER

Games room refurbished with fresh look & feel for all events this summer!



85" TV perfect for watching the Euros



Family & Dog Friendly



Food available to order



Mon-Thurs 6:30pm – 11pm  
Friday 5pm – 11pm  
Saturday 2:30pm – 11pm  
Sunday 12pm – 11pm



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