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Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Dear parent/ carer,

We have all absolutely loved watching the year 3 and 4 production of Oh What A Knight this week. I was blown away by the quality of the acting, singing and dancing and the show was so, so funny! It had the audience in stitches.

The year 4 children have worked really hard to learn their lines – we have some truly talented actors and singers in our midst – and the year 3s have not only been supporting them every step of the way, but also danced and sang beautifully on the stage. We were so proud of each and every one of them.

Thank you so much to all of the parents and carers who have helped with learning lines and have provided some wonderful costumes and to all of the staff and volunteers who have worked tirelessly to prepare the children and make some fabulous props.

We will share some photos next week after the final performance tonight.

### Survey reminder

There is one more week to complete your survey:  
<https://edurio.com/teacher/poll/4u3Ufp>

### Loom band bracelet sale

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April, in the KS2 playground after school, Eleanor and Hallie will be selling their handcrafted bracelets to raise money for Cancer Research.

It is wonderful to see the time and commitment they have put in to a cause that means a lot to so many. Well done girls.



## Sporting Achievements



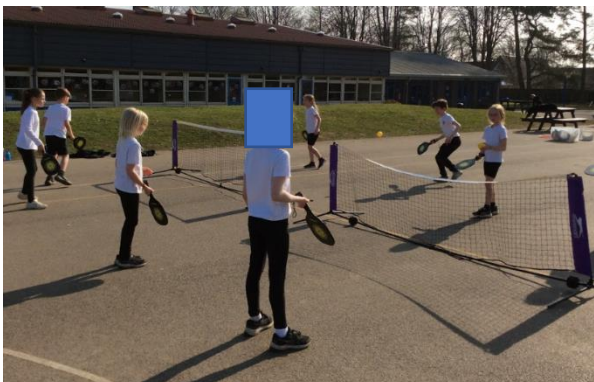
Our two Y6 hockey teams took part in the Pete Feasby Hockey Festival at York High School this week. This event has grown over the years and all schools in York are invited to take part. The children all demonstrated their skill, resilience and superb team work skills which resulted in both teams going through to the finals on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April. We are super proud of them all and thank you to Mr Sellers and Mr Gargiulo for supporting the children at this event.

The two Y5/6 netball teams were also in action at Joseph Rowntree Secondary School this week and the sun was shining! There was a lot of teams from across York involved and the children played 9 matches each. What was very noticeable is how much the children improved in their game play as they moved through the rounds and it was a pleasure to watch! We finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> and unfortunately there is no further round (like there used to be with North Yorkshire) as the pink team would have qualified for the finals.

Miss Dickenson and myself were so pleased with how well-mannered and hard working the children were. Every single one had smiles on their faces throughout!

Many thanks to all the parents who transported their children and supported at both events.

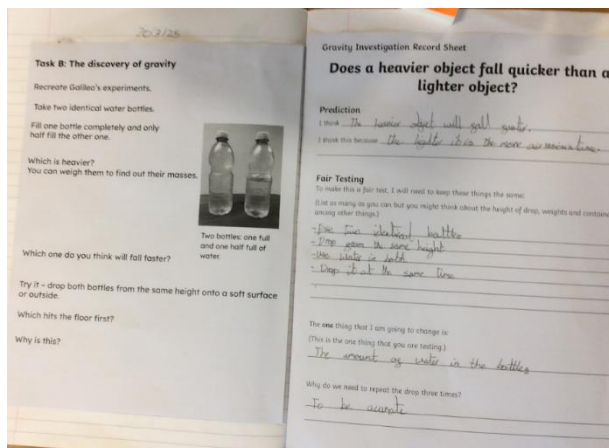
Mrs Rowntree



**Mrs Jones has shared her love of Pickle Ball with the year 4s, who all had a great time playing it in PE.**

## Science (Gravity)

Year 5 investigated whether a heavier object fell quicker than a lighter object. The children found out that it does not matter how heavy something is when dropped from the same height to the ground. The identical shaped water bottles (filled with different amounts of water) always hit the ground at the same time. We wondered what would happen if we changed the size of one of the bottles.



## Dates for your Diary

**New dates will be added in bold each week – dates for after Easter will be added next week.**

<b>March 2025</b>	
Swimming catch up for years 5 and 6	Tuesday afternoons
Year 3 and 4 Production	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2025 (6pm) Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2025 (6pm)
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Yoyo assembly and workshops for year 2 and 5
<b>April 2025</b>	
Year 5 Virtual Reality Space and Robotics Day	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
Autism Awareness Day	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025
Easter Church Services	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025 10 am KS1 11am KS2
Easter Disco	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025
School closes for Easter	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

With very best wishes,

Clare Thompson

**Links/ Attachments:**

- **York Families Newsletter**



**DROP IN** but helps if you can book at Dunnington Library's helpdesk or via @DunningtonGIG's Facebook event link so our volunteers can make sure we have enough materials for the activities.

**Tues 8<sup>th</sup> April**  
**2.15-3.30pm**

# **Nature IMPs**

**Sow Bee-Friendly Flowers &  
Get Crafty with Pollinators  
at Dunnington Reading Rooms  
(Small Hall)**

Please bring a 9cm plant pot  
or empty 300ml yoghurt/cream pot  
for each child if you can.



#NatureInMyPatch

Very kindly sponsored by **Dean's Garden Centre** and  
**Friends of Dunnington Library.**

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# Happy Healthy Holidays

**WHAT:** Holiday Football Fun Activity

**WHEN:** Monday 14th - 17th April

Millthorpe Secondary School, 78 Millfield Road,

**WHERE:** YO23 1WF (Indoor Course)

**TIME:** 10am - 3pm

**REFRESHMENTS:** Water, Snacks and packed lunch will be provided

**WHO:** Families eligible for benefits-related free school meals living in York (you will receive a code)



FOUNDATION

These Free holiday Activities are designed to give young people the opportunity to get active using football as the tool in a FUN, SAFE and SECURE environment. You will receive a food order form prior to the Holiday Course start date which will need completing in order to ensure we provide an appropriate lunch.



# Happy Healthy Holidays

**WHAT:** Holiday Football Fun Activity

**WHEN:** Monday 7th - 10th April

Huntington Secondary School (Astro),

**WHERE:** YO32 9WT (Outdoor Course)

**TIME:** 10am - 3pm

**REFRESHMENTS:** Water, Snacks and packed lunch will be provided

**WHO:** Families eligible for benefits-related free school meals living in York (you will receive a code)



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