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Friday 1st May 2026

Dear parent/carer,

What a lovely sunny week we have had here at school – albeit with a few swarms of bees to contend with!

It is **class photo day** on Tuesday. Please can children come in in full uniform. If it is traditionally a PE day for them, they can bring their PE/ swimming kits to get changed into.

Our play leaders have been out and about taking photos at playtime to see all the amazing play ideas our OPAL provision is inspiring. We were particularly impressed by the limo year 5 created!



We hope you have a wonderful 3-day weekend – what a treat! – and look forward to seeing the children on Tuesday 5th May.

EYFS Church Visit

To support our work in RE around 'What places are special and why?', Anning class will be visiting St Nicholas' church on Tuesday 12th May in the afternoon to have a guided look around with Reverend Kath McBride. We are looking for 2 parent volunteers, who may be able to help us with walking down to the church and enjoying the visit with us. Please do let Mrs Elliott know by Tuesday 5th May if you are able to help. Thank you.

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Parentpay Donations

If you have not yet made a donation for the Betsy Buglove visit (KS1) or the Hinduism workshops (KS2), we would really appreciate you doing so if you are able. We are currently £120 down on the cost of the workshops.

Betsy Buglove and the Lucky Ladybirds - EYFS and KS1 Local author workshop



On the morning of Friday 24th April, all pupils in EYFS and KS1 had a special visit from Catherine Jacob, a local children's author.

Pupils enjoyed listening to the new story: Betsy Buglove and the Lucky Ladybirds. They then made special magnifying glasses so they were able to role-play the story characters. These magical magnifying glasses let them see and talk to the insects around the school grounds, just like the characters did in the book. Then they all helped to make bug hotels for their bug friends to hibernate in.

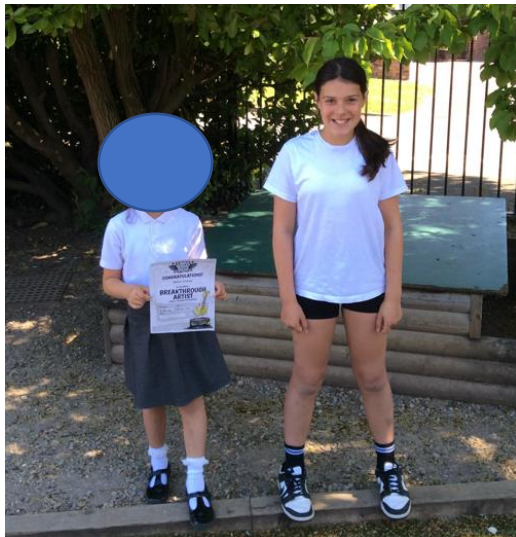
It has been lovely to see the children continue to add to and make more bug hotels around school.

Hinduism Workshops

The children in KS2 all really enjoyed learning more about Hinduism in yesterday's workshops: I wonder if they can tell you about some of the things they learned?



Well done to the children we have celebrated in assembly earlier today – sorry we haven't managed to get photos of all of them!



Special shout out to Isaac R who was the only year 5 to participate in the dodgeball competition – the rest of the team were year 6! Well done Isaac – you were amazing and we couldn't have done without you!

Clubs on offer:

One of the things the Junior Leadership Team (JLT) said they really wanted was a wider variety of clubs and enrichment opportunities on offer. As a result, we have arranged taster sessions for a new and exciting club we hope to run after half-term! Please sign up if you are interested.



**Clare's Kitchen @
Dunnington Primary**

After School Cookery Club

Do you have a little chef at home who enjoys cooking and baking? Clare's Kitchen is offering 2 half price taster sessions on 14th & 21st May 3.15-5.15pm. We will plan, prepare and cook our own recipe, then eat together. We have lots of fun each week exploring delicious recipes. If your child would like to join us for a taster, contact Rachel to know more.
This club is for Year groups 1-6

Email rachel@clares-kitchen.co.uk or Whatsapp 07828086820

Follow Clare's Kitchen in schools <http://www.facebook.com/clareshkitchenyork>
Instagram @clareshkitchenyork



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Are you a *brilliant artist* or a *creative superstar*?

We are creating a new name and logo for school meals across our Trust, and *we need your help!*

How to enter

- 1 Create your name and logo *either* on paper or on a computer.
- 2 Please submit your name and logo to *your teacher* before *Friday 15th May*.

What should our new logo be?

It must have a *clear food theme* to it

It should be a name that *everyone* can recognise



It should be *fun, memorable* and *creative*

Win Prizes



1st Place
Your logo is used & school pudding hamper



2nd Place
Mini hamper



3rd Place
Mini hamper

YLT

Yorkshire
Learning
Trust

Dates for your diary

New dates will be added in bold each week

May 2026	
Class Photographs	Tuesday 5 th May
SATS week	Monday 11 th May – Thursday 14 th May
Active Afternoon led by Huntington School Pupils (Years 3-5)	Wednesday 13 th May
Music Workshops for KS2	Thursday 21st May
Key Stage 2 Bake Sale – Raising money for Oscars	Thursday 21 st May
Last day of half term	Friday 22 nd May
Half Term Holiday	Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May
June 2026	
First Day back for children	Monday 1 st June
Year 3 and 4 trip to Magma	Friday 5 th June
Year 5 Residential – Boggle Hole	Monday 8 th June – Wednesday 10 th June
Year 1 Phonics Screener	Tuesday 9 th June
Year 4 Multiplication Check	Wednesday 10 th June
Summer Beach Day celebrating International Day of Play – parents invited	Thursday 11 th June
Years 3, 4 and 5 complete NFER assessments	w/b Monday 15 th June
Whole school visit to York Mosque over three mornings	Tuesday 16 th June - EYFS and KS1 Wednesday 17 th June - Year 5 and 6 Thursday 18 th June - Year 3 and 4
Yoyo prayer spaces in church for years 2 and 3	Wednesday 17 th June
Yoyo prayer spaces in church for years 4 and 5	Thursday 18 th June
Film Night	Friday 19 th June
Year 6 residential – Low Mill	Monday 22 nd June – Wednesday 24 th June
Colour Run – Raising money for Candlelighters	Friday 26 th June
July 2026	
Sports Day – KS2am, KS1pm	Wednesday 8 th July (reserve date Wednesday 15 th July)
EYFS and Key Stage 1 Bake Sale – Raising money for Oscars	Thursday 9 th July
Reports out to parents	Friday 10 th July
KS2 production dress rehearsal	Friday 10 th July
KS2 production	Monday 13 th July – 1:30pm Monday 13 th July – 6pm Tuesday 14 th July – 6pm
Year 6 Leavers Assembly and Tea	Thursday 16 th July – 1:30pm
School Disco	Thursday 16 th July EYFS and KS1 – 5pm – 6pm KS2 6:15pm – 7:15pm
Leavers' Service in St Nicholas Church (no parents)	Friday 17 th July – 10am
Last day of the summer term	Friday 17 th July

Disaggregated Inset Day – no children in school

Monday 20th July

Best wishes,

Clare Thompson



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FOR CHILDREN IN RECEPTION – YEAR 8

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THIS or THAT ?



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YORK KEY INFORMATION

Venues Open to Children from **All Schools** (We are a very popular club)

DAILY TIMES Book individual days or full weeks

Early Drop-Off 8:00–8:45

Standard Day 8:45–4:00

Extended Day 4:00–5:00

Super Extended 4:00–5:30

Open
Daily
08:00 -
5:30pm

Flexible Drop-Off Window: 8:45–9:15

Children may arrive anytime within this window.

ARCHBISHOP HOLGATE'S SECONDARY SCHOOL

A lovely nurturing venue, with lots of space indoors and out.

SWIMMING POOL ! Every TUESDAY & THURSDAY !

A POPULAR VENUE THAT IS USUALLY FULL

POPULAR WITH AGES 5 - 8 particularly, but all ages.

Limited spaces - please book early as we are FULL Monday to Thursday with a little room on Friday's usually

MANAGER : LUKE O'

Other
venues
in :

Manor CE
Archbishop's
Headland's
Huntington

A SPECIAL EXTRA "WOW" EVERY WEEK

📍 Bouncy Castle | 🏰 Inflatable Assault Course | 🎯 Nerf Battles |
🎧 Silent Disco | 🏹 Archery | ⚽ Football Darts | 🌊 Water Park

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YORKSHIRE TENNIS

YORK DISTRICT COMMUNITY TENNIS CAMP

26-29 MAY



Down the Line Tennis Academy, in conjunction with Yorkshire Tennis, invites children aged **5-7 yrs** from York Primary schools **who have never played tennis before** to join us for this fun 4 day York District tennis camp!

The 4 day camp costs just **£15** and all children receive a brand new tennis racquet & T-shirt! Book either the 1pm-2.30pm or 2.30-4pm option.

Your child must be aged 5-7 and have no tennis experience. Places are limited and booking is essential. Please scan QR code to book!

Location: YSJ University Sports Park
Email info@downthelinetennis.co.uk



LUDUS FOOTBALL GROUP

STREET BALLER NIGHT 2

ONE CAGE. TWO AGE GROUPS. NON-STOP ACTION.

CAGE OPENS 16:45

9-12 AGE GROUP STREET BALLER BEGINS 17:00		13-16 AGE GROUP STREET BALLER BEGINS 18:30	
17:00 - 17:30	SMALL SIDED DUEL GAMES	18:30 - 19:00	SMALL SIDED DUEL GAMES
17:30 - 17:45	OLD SCHOOL PENALTY ROUND	19:00 - 19:15	OLD SCHOOL PENALTY ROUND
17:45 - 18:00	BREAK / LARGE GAME (PLAYERS CAN OPT FOR A SHORT BREAK)	19:15 - 19:30	BREAK / LARGE GAME (PLAYERS CAN OPT FOR A SHORT BREAK)
18:00 - 18:30	LARGE GAME (15 MINS A HALF / LAST 2 MINUTES OF EACH HALF TAKEOVER ROUND BEGINS)	19:30 - 20:00	LARGE GAME (15 MINS A HALF / LAST 2 MINUTES OF EACH HALF TAKEOVER ROUND BEGINS)
18:30	9-12 AGE GROUP LEAVES THE CAGE	20:00	STREET BALLER NIGHT 2 FINISHED

BEFORE PLAYERS LEAVE THE CAGE...
AN MVP FOR EACH GROUP WILL BE PRESENTED WITH THE **STREET BALLER MVP TROPHY**

⚡ PLAY HARD. | 👑 EARN RESPECT. | ★ BE THE MVP.

LUDUS FOOTBALL GROUP

TAKEOVER ROUNDS NIGHT 2

WEEK 2 OF STREET BALLER

FIRST HALF	SECOND HALF
 <h2>SUDDEN DEATH</h2> <p>HOW IT WORKS: If the score is level at the end of the half... THE NEXT GOAL WINS.</p> <p>WHY IT HITS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⚡ Builds pressure & focus 🏆 Rewards big moments ★ Sharpens decision making <p><i>NO ROOM FOR MISTAKES. ONE MOMENT DECIDES IT.</i></p>	 <h2>THE COMEBACK</h2> <p>HOW IT WORKS: If you're losing at any point in the half... YOUR NEXT GOAL EQUALISES THE GAME.</p> <p>WHY IT HITS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⚡ Builds belief & resilience 🏆 Keeps you in the fight ★ Games can flip in seconds <p><i>BELIEVE. SCORE. RESET. GAME ON.</i></p>

**2 MINUTES. MAXIMUM IMPACT.
NO BREAKS. JUST MOMENTS.**

 02:00

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