

April Newsletter

We hope you all enjoyed the Easter break despite the weather! We are delighted that the children are back with us and seem very well rested and ready for the summer term which according to the calendar seems action packed.

MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

As part of our Month of the Military Child celebrations in school we are inviting children and staff to wear something purple to school on Friday 26th April. This is because purple is the colour of the Military Child.

Please can you encourage children to participate. There is however, no expectation to go and purchase new clothes. Children might wear a purple hair band, clip, scrunchie, purple socks, purple sticker etc. This can be in addition to their uniform or instead of it.

We will also be arranging for the buddies to pop to KS1 and FS2 playgrounds as well as talking to all classes about the significance of the dandelion flower to service children and inviting children to draw dandelion inspired pictures.

The children across school are also learning the Dandelion song.

SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL

We are delighted to welcome back Ed as our school crossing patrol. We have really missed his cheery good morning and the support he gives everyone to ensure they cross our busy road safely.

ADVENTURE TRAIL

Please help us to keep the children safe when they arrive and leave our school site. The adventure trail is only to be used during school playtime and is designed for children of a specific age. Thank you



PARENT SURVEY

It is really important to us as a school that we work in partnership with you to constantly reflect on our practice and make improvements where needed. This survey is being shared across all Ebor schools in our trust and we would really appreciate you spending a few minutes to complete [this survey](#). Your feedback is really important to us.

The link in its full form is: [EBOR PARENT SURVEY](#)

Keeping children safe on gaming platforms.

This is a great resource for parents and carers.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YO6Ux7qfYXk>

WHEN THE WEATHER FINALLY IMPROVES!

Please make sure sun cream is applied before coming to school and your child has a named sun hat and water bottle. If suncream does not offer full day protection and you cannot avoid sending it into school it must be labelled and **MUST NOT** be shared with other children who may have allergies. Thank you

COMIC RELIEF

Our children thoroughly enjoyed our Comic relief activities. It was definitely a day of corny jokes! Thank you to those who made donations. The school raised £296

FRIENDS OF ROBERT WILKINSON

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our FORW for their work to support our school by providing funding for the following over the last 12 months. They are a small group who work really hard to give those extras to our school. If you would like to join the group please let the admin team know and they will put you in touch.

- **Electrics for Jakes Tree House**
- **Repaired the 3 outside speakers and replace batteries for lunchtime etc**
- **Allotment spades, gloves, compost and seeds**
- **Large donation towards the new Wrap Around Care building, with purchases of kitchen equipment, cutlery, and chill out area cushions beanbags etc**
- **Cook school oven replacement**
- **Year 6 contribution towards residential**
- **Year 6 pizza party**
- **Spelling Frame contract**
- **Five new science data loggers**
- **3 sets of Skeleton x-rays and animal x-rays**
- **In the Animal Kingdom books for KS1, 18 books in total. 2 x atlases**

The logo for Red Nose Day, featuring the words "RED NOSE DAY" in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The word "NOSE" is written in a larger font size than "RED" and "DAY". A red nose is positioned between the "O" and "S" in "NOSE".

- 45 Collins Primary Atlases for Geography
- 100 new books for year 3 / 4 / 5
- New starter welcome book
- Xmas book gift 2023
- DJ paid for each disco provided

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

You have told us that early notice of school events is appreciated so we are working hard to make this a reality. Here are some of the dates for this academic year. More will be added as they are confirmed.

| DATE | ACTIVITY |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Friday 19th April | Key Stage 2 Opera The Great Stink |
| Thursday 25th April | University of York music workshops for Year 5 |
| Friday 26th April | WEAR PURPLE DAY - Month of the Military Child |
| Monday 6th May | Bank Holiday - school closed |
| Thursday 9th May | Open the book assemblies for KS1 and KS2 Lambs are visiting the Oak & Willow classes |
| Week commencing 13th May | Key Stage 2 SATS tests |
| Friday 24th May | Flower Classes School Trip School closes for half term |
| HALF TERM | |
| Monday 3rd June | School opens |
| Tuesday 4th June | Residential bag drop- white hall 4pm-6pm |
| Wednesday 5th June - Friday 7th June | Year 6 residential |
| Monday 10th June | Class photos |

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Wednesday 12th June | 6-7pm New Reception Parents meeting |
| Friday 14th June | Sports Day Summer fair |
| Tuesday 18th June | Summer Music Concert |
| Wednesday 19th June | Willow & Oak School Trip Armed Forces Day school trip -tbc Year 6 transition evening at Huntington |
| Friday 21st June | Back up Sports Day |
| Monday 24th June | New classes announced SPORTS WEEK |
| Wednesday 26th June | Transition Day at Huntington Class transition |
| Thursday 27th June | Year 5 school trip - tbc |
| Friday 28th June | STAFF TRAINING DAY - School Closed |
| Week commencing 1st July | SPORTS WEEK |
| Tue 2nd - Thu 4th July | FS2 Parent Evenings (Reception Children Only) |
| Monday 8th July | Year 4 Trip to Murton Park - 4AB & 4JM |
| Tuesday 9th July | Year 4 Trip to Murton Park - 4EC |
| Friday 12th July | Summer Discos |
| Tuesday 16th July | Reports to parents Year 6 performance (PM) |
| Wednesday 17th July | Year 6 performance (Evening) Graduation |

We have also added these dates to the school calendar on our website for your reference.

Best wishes

Donna Bedford

Headteacher

STRENSALL TIGERESSES

“Strensall Tigresses are looking for experienced footballers from current years 4 or 5 who might be interested in playing for a new tigresses team for next season. Training is underway & must be able to commit to training one night a week & playing games on a Saturday morning from August onwards. If anyone is interested in finding out more information please contact Dave Bradshaw on 07943544564. Thanks.”



DRAMA KIDS

Formerly Helen O'Grady Drama Academy.
New name, new logo, same GREAT programme.

BOOK YOUR TRIAL TODAY!

DEVELOPING CONFIDENCE, COMMUNICATION AND CREATIVITY

PERFORM ON STAGE THIS SUMMER!

Our one-hour classes for young people from ages 5-18 encourage:

- * Enthusiasm and energy
- * Ongoing confidence and self-esteem
- * Performing arts skills
- * Communication skills
- * Effective social interaction
- * No auditions – no pressure

Unlock your child's potential!

Contact us now to find out more!

☎ 07309 880805 / 01904 492998

✉ york@dramakids.co.uk

📍 Acomb, Earswick, Heslington, Wigginton

www.dramakids.co.uk

FAMILY FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY

My name is Gill and I look after everything related to events and fundraising in the community here at [Family Fund](#)

We are a York Based Charity who help families raising a disabled or seriously ill child with a grant for an essential item.

We have been lucky enough to partner with Jane Tomlinson,s Run for all as their charity partner for the York Mini and Junior 2024 races on 4th August here at the Knavesmire in York.

I am reaching out to you today to see if you can share this with parents and carers from your school to see if they would consider joining in and fundraising for us. In York alone we support over 200 families with our grants. Promoting us might also send someone who didn't know about us our way and they could apply for a grant.

All you need is some wording that I would be happy to provide and this link [York Mini and Junior Run Xerox Business Solutions - 6th August 2023 | Run For All | Run For All](#)

SHERIFF HUTTON BRIDGE CRICKET CLUB ROCKETS

My name is Dan Kiernan. I am the lead coach for Sheriff Hutton Bridge Cricket Club Rockets programme. This is a programme that introduces Cricket to children of all abilities from age 4 through to age 8. We promote a range of skills both physically and socially and have a proven track record in providing a safe and enjoyable atmosphere for children and parents alike. We begin our sessions on Friday 3rd May at 6pm-7pm. This will then run on through every Friday until Friday 19th July with a break during May half term. We are local to the school and are located 5-10 minutes away from Strensall.

If there are any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on dkiernan24@googlemail.com

Aqua babies

We have a parent and baby teacher training course next week 26th and 27th and we need parents and baby's 12months to 3.5yo. Parents will also need to be in the water.

The session will be 30mins and from 2pm till 4pm depending on age. We are asking a nominal fee of £2 a session.

Please email admin@adamsaquatics.co.uk



THE LITTLE GYM CAMPS
FOR CHILDREN AGED 3-12 YEARS

Our next camps are in May Half-Term:
27th – 31st May

Scan below to learn more
or contact: 01904 307404
york@thelittlegym.co.uk



Little Gym
Serious Fun.



Strings
Fun Day!

28 June 2024
9am to 3pm

Haxby Road Primary Academy
Aimed at young string
players who have
participated in Whole-Class
violin/viola/cello tuition

