



November 2017

## Theatre Visit - January 2018

A big thank you to all those who have already contributed £5.00 towards the school pantomime trip to the Theatre Royal in January 2018. As you are no doubt aware this event is being heavily subsidised by school. The starting price for the tickets from the theatre is £13.00 and although we have got them slightly cheaper with our block booking we are still paying £10.00 per ticket with transport costs in excess of £1600. More information will be available after Christmas with details of the visit and if it is successful we would hope to make it an annual event. Outstanding contributions can be made at the school office.

## Pumpkin Competition

What a fantastically talented bunch of families we have at New York Primary. The pumpkin competition was very hard to judge, in the end the final decision fell to Jay from Capita who sponsored the event. He chose The Thomas Family, The Ridley's & The Clements as his winners, with all who took place receiving a prize. We can't wait to see what you do next year!

## Attendance

Our current whole school attendance is 96.2% which is slightly below our target of 96.5%

w/c	Whole School	Class	%
23/10	96.5%	Y1 RB Y4BD	100%
30/10	97.1%	Y4BD	100%
6/11	97.9%	Y1 RB Y4 BD	100%
13/11	96.9%	Y2LM Y4JB Y4BD Y5JD	100%

## Children In Need—Flashmob!

On Wednesday 15th November we were invited to take part in a Flash Mob at Greggs HQ.

We danced through the offices with Pudsey & Blush before having a Pudsey Party complete with picnic and games!



## Children In Need

On Friday 17th November the school turned Spotacular in aid of Children in Need. Children wore their spots and bought spotty cakes and we raised a grand total of £288.37. The winner of the Pudsey Bear raffle was Paige



## Festive Friends

We have Festive Friends (St Oswald Bean Dogs on sale again this year) £2 each available from the office.



## New York Newspaper

In Friday PLZ Miss Drake's group have been newspaper reporters, journalists and editors. They have now produced 2 editions of New York News which are hanging in main reception. Please take a minute to have a quick read.

## Remembrance Assembly

On Friday 10th November, Year 6 lead our whole school Remembrance Assembly. They shared facts about the World War One, some poignant poetry and dramatized readings. Mrs Dixon played The Last Post before we held our 2 minutes silence. All children in school contributed to poppy wreaths which were laid at the Cenotaph. We hope you've had chance to look at all the wreaths that Daysy is keeping a watchful eye over at the front of school.



## Halloween Disco

On Monday 30th November we held our Halloween Disco, there were some scary sights to behold ... and that was just the teachers! We raised a grand total of £202.08 which will go towards future school activities.



## Oral Health Workshop



Nursery & Reception classes have both had a visit from the Dentist who talked to us about keeping our teeth clean and healthy. We now know that we must brush our teeth twice a day for 2 minutes.





Reception enjoyed wearing odd socks on Monday. We read the story of 'We're All Wonders' and we talked about the ways we are different and the ways we are the same.



Year 1 discussed what it means to be a good friend and are working with a different buddy every week! We learnt a rap about being ourselves and how it is good to be different!

In Year 4, children had a workshop about the importance of understanding Cyber Bullying and the Smart Rules that we need to follow to stay safe. Children acted out different scenarios and talked sensibly about how to stay safe online. From this, they made information leaflets as part of their computing lessons.



## EYFS Welly Waddle.

On Thursday 16th November our EYFS children sang their way to Hilltop. We all dressed as Nursery Rhyme characters and followed the clues to take us to Hilltop. We had a fantastic morning. Thank you to all who came along and supported us. This waddle rounded off a week of Rhyme as we took part in World Rhyme Week. The children have learnt many new rhymes through the week as well as practising many old favourites. A child who knows 8 Nursery Rhymes by the time they are 4 are better readers and writers by the time they are 8... How many can you remember? Do you sing them regularly with your child?



## Year 3/4 Cinema Visit

On Wednesday 15th November, children in Year 3 and 4 enjoyed a visit to the cinema as part of the film festival. Here, they watched the film, 'Beauty and the Beast'. The behaviour from the children was outstanding and staff felt really proud of them for this. Back at school, children in Year 4 have been applying their learning from the visit by debating whether they feel the beast is a friend or foe with a class discussion and a look at the trailer.



## Year 1/2 Cinema Visit

On Thursday 9th November KSI went to see The Emoji Movie as part of the film festival. We really enjoyed following 'Meh' on his adventure. Children were true New Yorkers during the walk there and back and represented the school wonderfully!



## Collecting PSQM Gold Award

Over the last year, Mrs Bourne and the staff have been working towards the Gold Primary Science Quality Mark Award. Mrs Shaw and Mrs Bourne were thrilled to attend the award evening at York Railway Museum—we are so proud of the amazing science work at New York



## STEM Polar Day

On Monday 20th November, children across school enjoyed learning about the science behind the polar regions with the help of our Polar Ambassador, Alan. Children learnt about climate change, threats to animals and looked at designing boats. Nursery and Reception passed tests to become Polar Explorers!

## Y4 Arbeia Roman Fort Visit

On Tuesday 7th November, Year 4 children visited the Roman Fort, Arbeia, in South Shields as part of their History work on the Romans. Here, they took part in a freeze frame workshop, looking at hand-crafted artefacts from the museum. Children explored the remains, saw views of the fort from the West Gate and enjoyed playing some Roman games over lunch! The children have since written some fantastic recounts on their visit and have produced news bulletins, showing all of the facts that they have learnt so far. The children are continuing to learn about Romans back at school.



# New York Sporting News

## Y5 Orienteering @ Rising Sun Country Park

Year 5 had an amazing afternoon at Rising Sun Park on Tuesday 31st October. We took part in a Trail and Challenge and had to find 16 markers that were placed all around the park. All of our teams found over 12 markers and we finished



within the allotted time. We loved it so much we've asked to go again!

## Y5 / 6 Athletics @ The Parks

On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 12 year 5/6s took part in an athletics competition. The small group of boys and girls took part in many different events including: hurdles, sprinting, jumping, throwing, balancing and relay races. The athletes proved they were all rounders as they won many different events! Including Kieran who won the javelin by throwing it almost double the length of any other competitor! Now we eagerly await the official results to see if any individuals or our team will make it to the county finals!

## Access Coaching

We are delighted to welcome the team from Access Coaching into school to add to our lunchtime activities. Two coaches attend 4 lunchtimes each week and work with our Year 5 and 6 play leaders to promote playground activities. In addition the coaches work with our pupils on team games such as Tchoukball, Tag Rugby and Rocket-ball. We are looking forward to Mini Fencing coaching in the New Year.

There is something for everyone who chooses to join in. One of the coaches is a past New York pupil which has made some of the staff feel rather old!



## Dates for your Diary

Please make a note of the dates below.

We will send reminders for many of these events nearer the time.

PLEASE NOTE THAT SOME OF THESE ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

- Monday 27th November - Year 5 Greek Week
- Tuesday 28th November - Y5 Greek Fighting Forces GNM Trip
- Tuesday 28th November - EYFS Booktime Event & Bedtime Story 5-6pm
- Monday 4th December - Year 1 trip to Discovery Museum
- Wednesday 6th December - KSI & 2 Bigfoot Panto
- Thursday 7th December - EYFS Bigfoot Panto
- Friday 8th December - Christmas Fayre
- Tuesday 12th December - KS2 Christmas Performances 1:30 & 6:00
- Wednesday 13th December EYFS & KSI Christmas Performances 1:30 & 6:00
- Thursday 14th December - Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day
- Friday 15th December - Family Christmas Crafts am & pm
- Monday 18th December—Y5/6 Christmas Party
- Tuesday 19th December—Christingle
- Tuesday 19th December EYFS Christmas Party
- Wednesday 20th December— Y3/4 Christmas Party
- Thursday 21st December—Christmas Carol Service & Christmas in a Box judging day.
- Thursday 21st December—Y1/2 Christmas Party
- Friday 22nd December—Children finish for Christmas
- Monday 8th January—Children return to school.

## Medicine in School

A reminder that any parents requesting school to administer medicines to their child should bring them to reception and fill out an Agreement to Administer medicine form. Medicines must be handed into and collected from the office by an adult only.