



May 2017

### Fidget Spinners Ban

We have allowed pupils to bring fidget spinners in to school but must advise all parents that they are now banned **with immediate effect**. We have received information that one of our pupils has accidentally swallowed the middle bit of a spinner. Whilst this happened at home I want to eliminate the risk of this occurring in school. Thank you

### NSPCC Stay Safe—Speak Out

We welcomed the team from NSPCC in to school to inform our children about how to stay safe and tell someone when they don't feel safe. With the help of the NSPCC friendly mascot, 'Buddy' the speech bubble, our pupils attended interactive assemblies and enjoyed learning about the sources of help available. The team are returning to deliver workshops and we look forward to welcoming them back in to school.



### 30 Hour Provision

From September 2017 families who meet certain criteria may qualify to access 30hr provision for children aged 3-4. It is the intention of New York Primary School to offer this provision for qualifying families in our continued strive to work together to meet the needs of children.

This offer will take the place of an additional 5 x 3 hour sessions either morning or afternoon, depending upon spaces. If this may be of interest to you, please contact the school office for more details and guidance on how to check your eligibility.

### Places in 2YO from September.

We have places in our 2YO Provision for children starting in September 2017. If you think your child may be entitled to this offer, please contact the school office for details on how to apply.

### Attendance for Summer Term 1

Well Done the following classes for winning weekly attendance so far this half term. Our whole school target is

w/c	Class	%
24/4	1SH	99.2
1/5	4LM&8DH	100
8/5	11SM	100
15/5		

96.3%

Summer term % to date is 94.9 %

30 pupils have 100% attendance so far this term. Well Done!

### Y5 Class Assembly

On Wednesday 17th May, Year 5 entertained their parents with a class assembly based on their half-term topic of Hakuna Matata-about South Africa. They performed songs such as Free Nelson Mandela and the Circle of Life, and even performed an authentic South African Gumboot Dance. Well done Year 5!

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## Pets at Home

On Tuesday 9th May Miss Hayes, SCITT student, arranged for staff from Pets at Home to bring some of their pets into school. This was to start our 'Animal Boogie' topic. The children were very brave, holding and stroking a range of animals from snake to rabbit, with guinea pigs and crickets thrown in too!



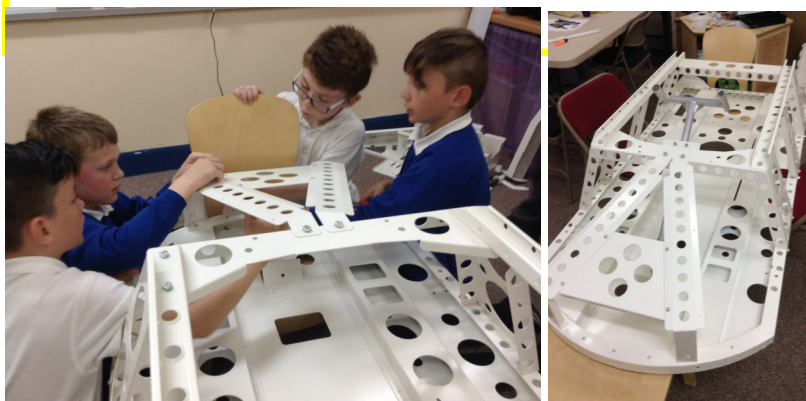
## Bubbles in EYFS

On Wednesday 3rd May we had a visit from Think Physics. We worked in small groups to blow bubbles using different shaped wands - we found out that all bubbles are spheres! We then made giant bubbles and talked about the rainbow of colours we could see. We had a fantastic morning!



## STEM Car Project

12 pupils in Year 5 have been chosen to work alongside Mrs Bourne and Mr Roberts to build a Greenpower Goblin car as part of an exciting STEM project. The children meet at after-school club every Wednesday and during their PLZ time on a Friday to build and design the car. They have been learning how to use different tools in a safe manner and have been following instructions to build the car. They aim to have it completed and ready to race by mid-June so have plenty of work to be doing! As well as building the car, they have designed the team name, a logo and the body of the car. The children have shown excellent team working skills and are understanding the skills needed to be an engineer.



## Chris Wilde - Coding in EYFS

On Tuesday 25th April we had a visit from Chris Wilde. First we talked about how technology has changed over time and we looked at the types of technology we have in our home. We then had to work with a partner to 'make stuff' work. We discussed how each object worked - we had to give it commands to move!



## Computing in Year 1

On Thursday 4th May, Year 1 had a visit from Chris Wilde from Marden CLC. He taught Year 1 how computers have changed through time and got us to think about what we use computers for. We were able to use a range of different computers where we had to input some data as of how we would like the computer to move or what sounds we would like it to make!

## STEM in Nursery

Nursery children have been getting excited about STEM this half term and had a visit from NUSTEM! Joe from NUSTEM read the children a story about transport and has left them with two construction kit boxes to explore over the next few weeks. The children couldn't wait to get their hands on them!

# New York Sporting News

## Girls Football - Miss Eiles

On Wednesday 17th May our girls football team played 2 matches against teams from Kings Priory School. We have been training since Christmas and all of our hard work paid off. Team 1 won all of their matches and Team 2 won one match and drew one match.

The girls played well as a team and showed great sportsmanship. Roll on the Shiremoor Treat!



## Year 3 Tag Rugby

On Saturday 13th May, a team of Year 3 pupils attended the Tag Rugby festival at Benton Dene Primary School. After their Falcons Community Fund training in the Spring term, the children were excited to put their skills to the test on the pitch! They played many different games and did a brilliant job, showing great rugby skills and sportsmanship. The parents, families and teachers cheering on from the side all felt extremely proud of their hard work.

## Y4 Badminton

In early April, year 4 were invited to a badminton festival at Norham High School. Year 4 had the opportunity to take part in a variety of skills games in order to improve their badminton abilities. All of the children that attended worked hard at each station and kept smiling through the whole afternoon; especially when Mr Hunt was getting his badminton skills put to the test in front of all the schools.



## GB Athlete - Sponsored Event

We're EXCITED to be welcoming GB Athlete Peter Bakare to school on Friday 26 May! Peter Bakare will be leading some energetic fitness circuits with the children and hosting an assembly with a Q&A session to help inspire the children into more sport and exercise. We're asking the school community to help by sponsoring the children to complete the fitness circuits in order to raise money for New York Primary School to buy more sports equipment. There are two easy ways to sponsor the children: using paper sponsorship form that your child will have brought home (more spare copies in the office), or just as easy, it takes a few minutes to create an online fundraising page for your child at [www.sportsforschools.org/event/NE606](http://www.sportsforschools.org/event/NE606) link. The children are already excited: we hope you'll be feeling the buzz as well!





# Dates for your Diary

Please make a note of the dates below.

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

- Wednesday 24th May - Y6 Trip to Newcastle

- Thursday 25th May - Reception Class Assembly (2:30)

- Friday 26th May - GB Athletes Day - more info to follow.

- Friday 26th May - BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM

- Monday 5th June – Children return to school.

- Thursday 8th June - Reception trip to Washington Wetlands

- Tuesday 13th June - Y5 STEM Car Race event at Gateshead Stadium

- Wednesday 14th June - Nursery New Starters Meeting - 3:30pm

- Thursday 16th June - Y6 Magistrates Court trip

- Week Commencing 19th June - STEM Week - further info to follow.

- Wednesday 21st June - Y4 to Tyne Met (am)

- Y5 Trip to Dove Marina

- International Night @ Whitley bay Playhouse

- STEM Fair - Friday 23rd June 2:00 - 4:00

- Saturday 1st July - Shiremoor Treat

- Monday 3rd July - Nursery & 2YO Sports Morning (10:30) Sports Afternoon (2:00)

- Tuesday 4th July - Reception & KS1 Sports Afternoon

- Wednesday 5th July - Y6 Hit the Surf - Trip to Tynemouth

- Thursday 6th July - Y6 Leavers Assembly 9.15

- Reception New Starters Meeting & Lunch (11:30—1:30)

- Y6 Leavers Meal to Davanti's - Whitley Bay (more info to follow)

- Saturday 8th July - Mouth of Tyne Festival

- Wednesday 12th July - KS2 Sports Day

- Wednesday 12th July - FSU & 2YO Beach Trip

- Thursday 13th July - Y3/4 Beach Trip

- Friday 14th July - Summer Fayre

- Tuesday 18th July - Parents Evening - reports

- Y6 Beamish Trip

- Friday 21st July - PUPILS BREAK UP FOR SUMMER.

- Tuesday 5th September - Children return to school.