

Academy

Please remember that children return to school on Wednesday 4th January!

Pupils of the week

Georgie Langan

Amora Bone

Lara Grainge

Jakey Langan

Edith Reynolds

Elsie Forster

Isabelle Webster

Harley Austick

Finlay Stonehouse

Emily Townsley



The Spring Term menu is now on MCAS for you to book your child's meals! Please remember that meals must be booked to be received!

Home discussion question Stan asked... What has been your greatest achievement this year?



What a super term we have had - full of amazing learning and enrichment opportunities. Thank you to staff for their tireless dedication and commitment, families for their support and children for being fabulous! I hope that you all have a lovely, peaceful, Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in 2023. Let's hope the new year brings health and happiness to all. Stay safe, everyone. You are all very precious. Mrs Channing

Half Term Heroes

Woody Fussey Elsie Black Saoirse Twomev Elyssa Hayward William Pearson Evie Bint **Boe Lambert Thomas Collins** Izzy West Lottie Brown



What's Toby seen this week?

Toby wagged his tail as he heard the party music emanating from the upper and lower halls this week (he loves a party) and woofed with glee when children won prizes during their party games! Thank you to RAFT for providing goodies and pass the parcel prizes (ready wrapped!).

Toby thoroughly enjoyed our Christmas assembly today. It was lovely to see so many families joining us for this special occasion via Teams. Well done to our readers and soloist!



Lunchtime Award

This week's award goes to Nahed and Amanda for an AMAZING Christmas dinner!



Act of Kindness

This week, our award goes to Molly Skerry, Oscar Williams, Will Sibly and Harry Lindo for their kindness towards others.



Amazing fundraising!

Thank you to everyone who supported the RAFT raffles this half term. The performance raffles raised £223.80 and the Christmas raffle raised £558. Thank you to RAFT members who organized these!

A wonderful dinner!

Thank you to our amazing kitchen staff for a fabulous Christmas dinner on Wednesday. It was scrumptious! Our ladies in the kitchen work so very hard every day, but have to work even harder to cook Christmas dinner for our school family. I get flustered if I have to cook for four people - they cooked for over two hundred on Wednesday!



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Last week, Mrs Murton, Mrs Maylard, Mrs Murphy and Oscar's mum took Mrs Charlton and Miss Harmar's class to sing for the residents of Fry Court during REALtime. They sang a selection of their favourite songs, including Christmas classics, and the residents were delighted to hear them. We are sure you'll agree that there's something really special about children singing at Christmas - it really warms the heart. Children gave Christmas cards that they had made, witnessing first-hand how kindness and generosity can make others feel valued. We are proud of our relationship with the Fry Court family and will continue to take children to visit throughout the year.





Important date for your diary! We break up for the holidays

We break up for the holidays today and children return on 4th January 2023!



E-Safety

On Tuesday, we emailed an E-Safety information leaflet from the Police.
It's well worth a read!
Please make sure that your child's device has parental settings and that you know what they are accessing online.

Heating update

Thank you for your patience and understanding during what has been a difficult time with no heating in the lower school. We have ensured that teaching spaces have been heated with portable heaters and staff have monitored the temperature of classrooms daily. The Enquire Learning Trust will fund the cost of the replacement boiler and is working in partnership with a company who has agreed to source and fit the boiler as soon as possible. We cannot guarantee that the new boiler will be fitted until January and so request that children bring additional layers with them when they return to school, just in case it's still chilly in shared areas such as the hall, corridors and toilets.

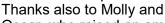
Global Council Top Tip!

When you have finished with your Christmas cards, why not cut out pictures to make gift tags for next year's gifts?



Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who donated money towards the 'A Wee Helping Hand' appeal on Wednesday. We raised an amazing £306! Everyone looked very festive in their Christmas jumpers - even Stan dressed up!



Oscar, who raised an amazing £153.65 for this worthy cause. What superstars they are!

Attendance matters!

All parents who have children of compulsory school age are responsible in law for ensuring that their children receive a suitable education. It is vitally important that your child attends school every day, unless they are too poorly to do so, to ensure that they make progress academically, socially and emotionally.

Holidays taken during term time have only ever been authorised if they have met specific Government criteria. It should be noted that, from January, the Local Authority will be notified of any unauthorised holiday taken during term time and penalty notices will be issued. This is in line with the Enquire Learning Trust Attendance Policy and Local Authority policy.

If a child's attendance falls below 90%, they are considered to be a Persistent Absentee and their attendance will be monitored for a two week period. If no improvement is seen, the Local Authority procedure for managing attendance will begin.

If you wish to know more about the Local Authority's response to poor attendance, please visit: https://cyps.northyorks.gov.uk/school-attendance

Be safe on the ice

Please remember, children, that even if frozen ponds and lakes look fun to play on, the ice will not be thick enough to hold your weight. NEVER play in or near water without an adult present, and certainly not during the winter months. Please be safe this holiday.

Amazing homework!

Congratulations and a HUGE well done to everyone who produced amazing topic homework this half term. Thank you to the adults at home who have supported children with their learning.

We really value adults at home as partners in learning and so next half term, we'll start to plan opportunities for school and families to work together, using the results of the survey we sent out earlier in the school year.



A message from the staff

A HUGE thank you for the lovely cards, gifts and kind words we have received this Christmas!

We wish you all a very happy holiday.