



Newsletter



This half term has flown by and what a lot of learning has been happening!

I am delighted to report that Mrs Tyerman will be taking up the post of **Academy Business Manager** in the coming weeks. I am delighted that we will continue to benefit from her skill and genuine care for the children and school. We will be appointing an administrator shortly and are looking forward to building our team.

Message from Mr Jefferies (English lead) - *To celebrate and encourage a lifelong love of reading at home and school, we are running a **sponsored read** between Monday 3rd March and Sunday 9th March, the week of World Book Day 2025. The project is being organised in conjunction with our local Usborne Partner, Helen Almond, and all the money raised will go towards brand new books for our school. In addition to the sponsorship money, Usborne will also donate up to 60% of the total raised in EXTRA FREE BOOKS to the school. So, for every £600 raised, we will get an extra £360 in FREE Usborne books! Please help us to enhance our reading resources for pupils by encouraging your child to spend a small amount of time each day either reading to themselves, to others, or being read to. They can read books, comics, magazines, newspapers, menus, websites, recipes, poems, leaflets, instructions – anything with words! The forms and further information will go home as hard copies on Monday 3rd March – look out for it!*

World Book Day will soon be upon us – Thursday 6th March. We always look forward to seeing children in their costumes (homemade decorated t-shirts are always a favourite). There is a special themed lunch planned – don't forget to order your child's choices...

Children will be involved in visits to Yarm to support the World Book Day celebrations – Waterstones and the local library are always generous in their support. Class teachers will take the children's World Book Day vouchers with them on this visit, so children will be able to make their choices. Details will be provided by each year groups teachers.

WORLD BOOK DAY

David Walliams Rat Burger (meat free!) with Gangsta Granny Chips
Or
Fantastic Mr. Fox's chicken curry (chickens from Boggis's chicken house number 1!)
Or
Hogwarts Sandwiches
Which houses favourite will you choose?

Dessert
Tiddler's Apple Crumble Swimming in custard!
Or
How to train your dragon delight

WORLD BOOK DAY
6 MARCH 2025

Join us for a World Book Day special lunch

- Thank you for your continued **generosity** as you donate your unwanted items from home. We really do use everything you give us and children across school benefit. THANK YOU again.
- Thank you for supporting the 'red day' **fund raiser** – we now have £216.50 to use across school. The Y6 Tuck Shop cake sale made over £250!!! This will support the trip to Whitby planned for the week after SATs – Thank you and well done to the team.



- Thank you to everyone who contributed to the **uniform swap shop**. We will hold another one in the summer term – look out for the details.
- We have changed the date for the next **Open Door Friday**, so that you can share what children have been doing over Science week. We hope you can come along on Friday 14th March from 3.30 – 4.30pm.

Red Nose day is on 21 March 2025. This will be a non-uniform day with children invited to come to school in their favourite t-shirt. We suggest a donation of £1 – payable through MCAS – all proceeds to go the charity Comic Relief. Don't forget to share some jokes – there will be prizes for the funniest!

- Congratulations to the **Sports teams** who have taken part in events this half term – you have represented the school brilliantly! REMINDER – children can come into school in a PE appropriate kit on the days they have PE – this should have been communicated to you via the class teacher – if you need clarification please contact us. For the rest of the week our school jumper colour remains the Yarm Primary royal blue.
- A group of **Y4 singers** showed exemplary behaviour (and singing!) at a local schools Singing day at Yarm auditorium. It was lovely to see so many of their families who were able to come along and see the afternoon performance.
- We hope that everyone managed to come along to the recent **Parents evenings** – if not, or if you wish to meet with me following your appointment, please contact the office to arrange.
- REMINDER – we offer some free **after school clubs** to KS1&2 pupils across the year. These are not always well attended and we want to remind you about them – please contact the office if you wish for your child to take part:

	Tuesday Indoor – Dance	Wednesday Indoor/Outdoor sports
Spring 2	Y4	Y5
Summer 1	Y2	Y3
Summer 2	Y6	Y1

- **Knowledge organisers** will be sent home after the break.
- **Attendance** – congratulations to the 100% club and to everyone for keeping our attendance at such a consistently great – 97%. Our champion attender classes are Y6SP & Y5HA WELL DONE!

FYI - We close school for half term today – 21st February - at 3.30pm
School reopens at 8.50am on Monday 3rd March.

Have a great weeks break.

Mrs. Wood