



# Little Phoenix



The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep

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Mrs Speight's message ...

As we race towards the end of term with this penultimate newsletter, we seem to have more and more events happening in Pre-Prep. This week we have seen the annual Christmas Nativity, Angel Express. I could use so many superlatives about this production and it amazes me how talented our children are. I always need to remind myself that our children are aged between 5 and 7, yet they are able to recite lines with such clarity and expression. Moreover, we really did have a choir of angels and after practising and practising, the last song "Welcome, Baby Jesus" had the most amazing harmony. Thanks to Mr Davies and the team for their hard work, dedication and enthusiasm for producing such a magnificent show together. Next week, we are very much looking forward to the Christmas Assembly for Year 1 and 2 on Tuesday morning and our EYFS Nativity, Miracle In Town on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. We are also excited about our Christmas party on Friday when we shall be wearing our Christmas Jumpers. A visit from a certain gentleman in red has also been mentioned in the corridors of Pre-Prep. Have a restful and relaxing weekend and I hope to see some of you at our Community Carol Concert in the PAA on Sunday night. I am sure that you will agree that this is a lovely tradition and celebration of Christmas.

Warmest Wishes,

*Jeanne Speight*



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## We Love PE

The children have been excited to have their first taste of tag rugby. Mr Simpson was impressed with both their listening and team work skills. The children are becoming more independent when getting ready for PE and those buttoning and unbuttoning skills are improving. The children are always enthusiastic about PE lessons, so thank you Mr Simpson for making it extremely enjoyable.



## Festivity Fun!

Nursery began their week with festive spirit! They enjoyed decorating their Christmas trees, working on their pencil control and scissor skills. We enjoyed reading the story, 'Pick a Pine Tree', by Patricia Toht, discussing all the different shapes and sizes of trees as well as the beautiful decorations. We hope you have fun putting up your decorations in the next few weeks.



# Angel Express







**Uniform (worn by all):**

**All children should now be wearing winter uniform:**

Blazer – navy blue with red piping, burgundy V-neck sweater, **school quilted coat (school pattern only)**, scarf/hat (optional, school pattern only). Black sensible shoes should be worn by boys and girls (no heels for girls)

Boys: Pale blue shirt, long or short sleeved with tie (school design). Grey shorts, Grey trousers (**optional**) with Uniform Shop socks – grey with stripe.

Girls: White blouse (school pattern only) with a red tartan pinafore. Grey tights or socks with matching hair accessories.

The Uniform Shop is open every day except Friday during term time from 1pm – 5pm and at published times during holidays. The Uniform Shop accepts cash, card or cheque payments.

**Polite Notice**

If your child is in after school care, please remember to provide them with a snack.

Many thanks.

**2019/2020 Term Dates**

**Spring Term, 2020**

Pupils return—Monday, 6th January 2020

½ term begins—Thursday, 13th February 2020 (after school)

INSET 1—Friday, 14th February 2020

Pupils return—Monday, 24th February 2020

Finish—Wednesday, 1st April 2020 (after school)

**Looking Forward**




**Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th December**

EYFS Christmas Performance - 2pm till 3pm (Studio Hall)

**Friday 13th December**

End of term

Christmas Jumper Day

**No after school care**

**Monday 6th January**

Pupils return to school

**Monday 13th January**

Spring Term Activity Clubs commence

**Bridge House Mission**  
**Spreading the magic of**  
**kindness this Christmas**

Collection points are now open for winter care donations for Bridge House this Christmas.

Winter Care Packs...

Good things to include...

- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- A pair of warm socks
- Gloves
- Hat
- Plasters
- Comb
- Granola Bar
- Tissues





**Please bring in packs by 9th December**