



Little Phoenix



The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep

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Mrs Speight's message ...

I do hope you had a lovely Bank Holiday Weekend, the children came back to school with their usual energy and enthusiasm. The Pre-Prep clubs commenced this week and the children were delighted with the selection on offer such as Roald Dahl, riding, gymnastics and running to name but a few. Friday's assembly was the epitome of Pre-Prep as the children celebrated each other's success as the class Form and Vice Captains were announced. Our new children in Nursery have settled in extremely well and are already making new friends and adapting to the new routine. As ever, their peers have been wonderful role models and have assisted them with the transition to Yarm School Nursery. This is a true strength of our pupils and yet another example of our youngest children demonstrating that they 'think of others'. Mr Simpson and Mrs Redhead-Sweeney have been busy planning the sports events and there will be further details to follow about the timings for your child's year group. Have a wonderful weekend, I'm looking forward to showing families our fantastic school.

Warmest wishes,

Joanne Speight



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Platinum Jubilee

In anticipation of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, the pupils in Reception have been adorning their classrooms with artwork fit for royalty. After designing their own Union Flag bunting, they used their art skills to create colourful suncatchers using the Queen's silhouette.



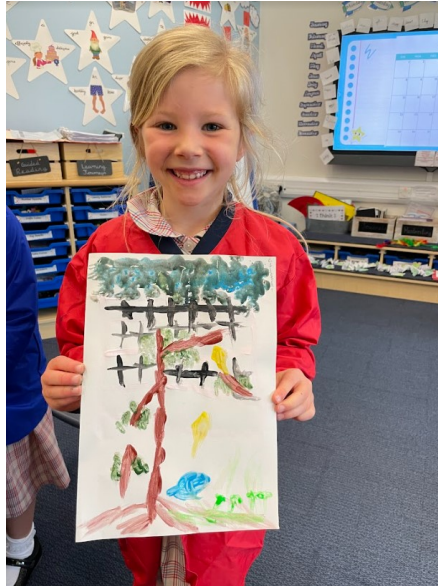
Weather Watchers!

In science, the Year 1 children have been keen to investigate the weather patterns in Yarm. Each day we update our class weather charts with symbols and notes, just like meteorologists. This week we decided to add more to our weather station by making some rain gauges to measure the amount of rainfall over the next few weeks. Fingers crossed they won't fill up too much!



The Tree Mystery

We were faced with a catastrophe in the woods! Mrs Speight requested the help of Year 2 to investigate what had happened. When we arrived we discovered that something had caused damage to our beloved woods and we instantly set about trying to look for clues. On our return to the classroom we began collating our evidence to share with Mrs Speight. The children were engrossed in their challenge and created models of the trees as well as paintings and sketches of the crime scene.



Nursery Fun

As you can see from the photographs, we have had lots of fun in Nursery. As well as mark making, building, junk modelling and making playdough, the children have been patiently waiting and watching the eggs in the incubator. I wonder whether we shall see any developments next week?





2021-2022 Calendar

Summer Term, 2022	
Pupils return	Monday 25 th April 2022
Bank Holiday	Monday, 2 nd May 2022
½ term begins	Thursday, 26 th May 2022 (after school)
INSET 4	Friday, 27 th May 2022
Pupils return	Monday, 6 th June 2022
Finish	Thursday 7 th July 2022 (12 noon, finish)

Reminder—Uniform

During the summer term children are able to wear either the summer or winter uniform. Please be reminded that girls should wear white socks with the summer uniform, and grey socks/tights with the winter uniform.



seven stories

The National Centre for Children's Books



Family Afternoon with Chris Haughton

Saturday 28th May, 2pm. Join Chris Haughton for a fun, action-packed afternoon of stories, funny trailers, clever props, dancing and drawing games.



Don't Be Silly! featuring Seth and the Rainbow Monsters Story Workshop with Laura Maclennan

Saturday 28th May, 11am. Come and join the fun with local author Laura and her character Seth and his friends in this interactive 1-hour workshop for children aged 4-10.

See all events on our [website](#) and book your tickets online or call 0300 330 1095

YSA PRESENTS

BOLLYWOOD SUMMER BALL

SATURDAY, 18TH JUNE 2022
7PM

CARRIAGES AT MIDNIGHT

THE PRINCESS ALEXANDRA AUDITORIUM

TICKETS £60
AVAILABLE ONLINE FROM 9AM
SATURDAY 30TH APRIL

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BOLLYWOOD DANCERS FROM DESI NACH

THREE COURSE MEAL
BLACK TIE OR PARTY WEAR

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