



# Little Phoenix

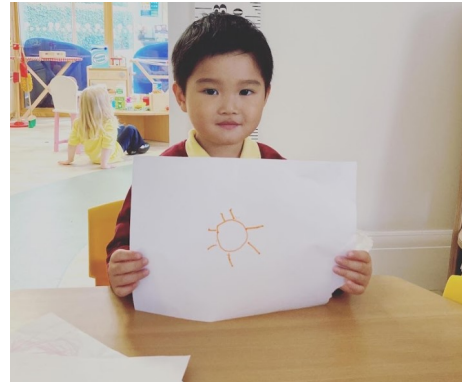


## The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep

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As a school community we mourn the loss of HRH Queen Elizabeth II. She was a monarch who meant so much to our nation; she was a truly extraordinary person. Her life was one that was unparalleled in terms of the commitment she showed to serving others and the constant guiding light she provided during a reign in which the world changed in so many ways. We have spent the day reflecting on her brilliant contribution to our lives. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Royal Family as they come to terms with the loss of a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.





### Mrs Speight's message ...

A very warm welcome back to all of our children and their families. It was lovely to see our Reception children in their uniforms, walking into Pre-Prep with enthusiasm and independence. They all look so grown up and I know that many of our parents shed a tear of joy and pride as their 'babies' started school. In fact, the children throughout Pre-Prep have settled into their new classes and routines beautifully. I am most impressed with how well the children have been lining up, listening in class and following our school rules. They clearly have high aspirations and expectations of themselves. I am certain you will agree that by demonstrating our school value of 'ambitious' they are setting the scene for further learning and fun. Thinking of others has also been evident as the children have ensured all our new starters have been made to feel most welcome, it's as if they have been with us forever. Have the most wonderful relaxing weekend, the weather looks to be fair for it!

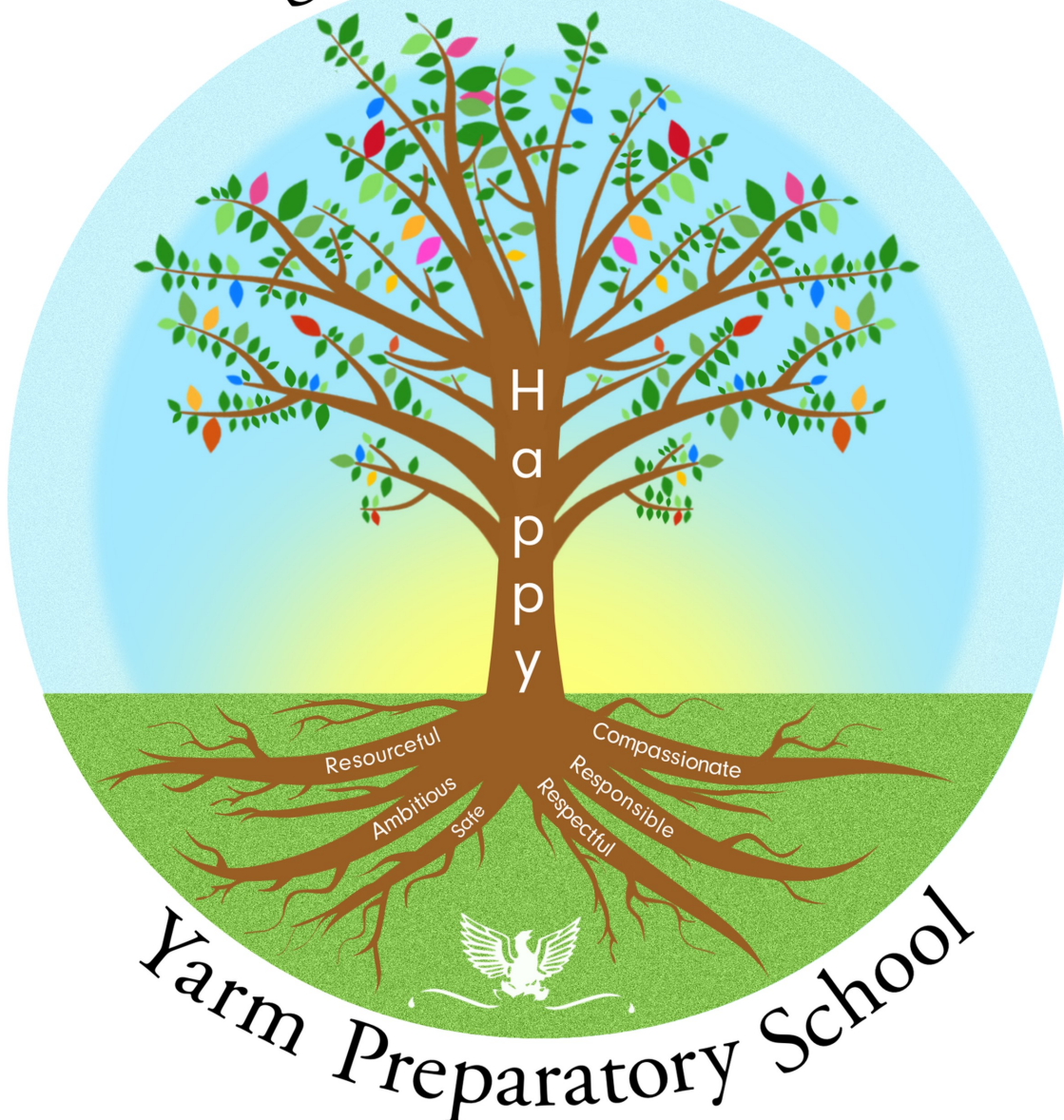
Warmest wishes,

Joanne Speight



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## School Values





## Welcome to Nursery!

We have welcomed many new children as well as seeing lots of familiar faces back for their second year in Nursery. The children have been listening to lots of stories, singing Nursery Rhymes and exploring the indoor and outdoor environment.





## Reception P.E.

The first full week in Reception has been filled with curiosity and learning for both RD and RW. Mr Simpson's P.E. lesson has proven to be a highlight for many of the children!





## Beebots

The Year One children are really enjoying getting to know subject specialist teachers and developing new skills. Tuesday saw their first computing lessons. Early understanding of programming took the form of using positional language on the adventure trail and instructing our resident beebots to move around the classroom. Future programmers in the making!





## Super Science

In Year 2, we started our new Science topic 'Materials'. We explored our classrooms to find objects made from everyday materials.







### Collection from Pre-Prep Clubs

Drama - 4.10pm

Yoga and Meditation - 4.10pm

Fencing - 4.20pm

All other clubs finish at 4.30pm.

Please note that duty staff cannot remove children early from a club as they are supervising children in After School Care. Your child will be brought to you on the front playground at the end of their club.

If your child attends a club, please collect from the Pre-Prep front door.

### Uniform Labelling

Please be reminded that all items of uniform must be clearly labelled with your child's name. Book bags and backpacks should be embroidered and named in the space provided. We ask for full co-operation from parents with regard to the clear labelling of uniforms.



### Holiday School Dates 2022-23

**Autumn**—17th—21st October

**Christmas**—19th—21st December

**Easter**—3rd—6th April

**Summer**—17th July—4th August

Booking forms will be emailed out by Mr Simpson 4 weeks prior to each holiday school.

### Great North Run!

Ada's (1B) mum, Laura, and Joy (1B) and Rose's (N2) dad, Anthony, will be taking part in the Great North Run to raise money for Children's Cancer North. Please use the link below to sponsor them and support this fantastic charity.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/laura-axtell>





# WINE TASTING

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