



Little Phoenix


YARM SCHOOL
EDUCATING FOR LIFE

The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep

Mrs Speight's message ...

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Happy Holidays! The children have had another amazing year at Pre-Prep. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my dedicated colleagues who make sure every day is a fun day. They work so tirelessly and ensure that the variety and breadth of learning is superb. Even at this late stage of the term, we have had the Nursery Graduation, the water run and are still thinking of others as we support the Mustard Seed Project in Kenya, you can donate by [clicking here](#). I always remind the children that their teachers and CTAs do not start at 08.30am and leave at 3.30pm as teaching is one of those vocations which relies on attention to detail and often results in a late email (or sometimes an early email!) The pupils are always fascinated to hear the time at which the latest emails were sent and this will often lead to further time related discussion, we are always teaching and learning! The End of Year Celebration was lovely and made me feel so proud as I observed the children enjoying themselves on the stage with their wide smiles and stupendous dance moves. As I said on Monday night, it is such a privilege to work with your children and I am very lucky to be part of their school journey: watching them grow, make progress and learn each and every day. I do hope that you have a relaxing summer and look forward to seeing you on 31st August.

Warmest wishes,

Jeanne Speight

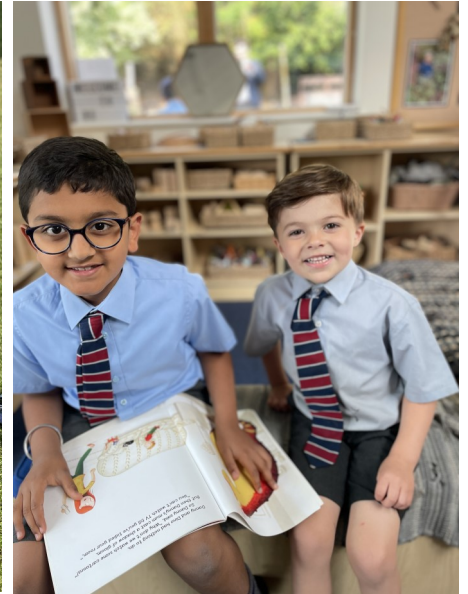


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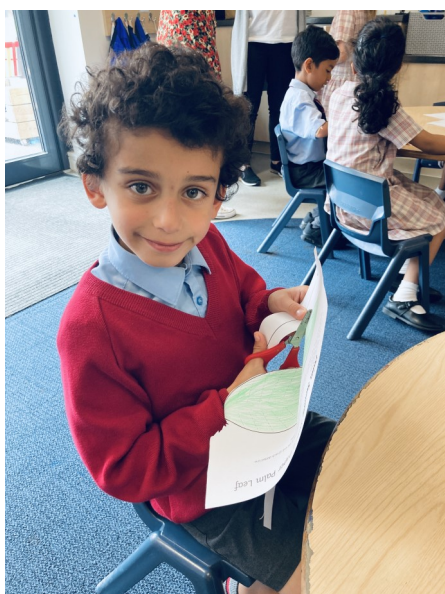
Reception and Year 2 Book Reading

The summer weather provided the perfect opportunity for the children in Year 2 and Reception to share their favourite books with each other. The Year 2 children were very impressed with the children in Reception's ability to segment and blend words.



Luau Party Preparations

The Year 1 children have been busy preparing for our Luau party on Thursday to celebrate the end of a wonderful year and our topic 'Beside the sea - featuring Moana'. We have loved making our own lei garlands, writing invitations and practising our hula moves.



Nursery

We have had so much fun in Nursery this year! We hope you have a lovely summer and look forward to seeing you all in September.



Origami Expert in 1S

Thank you to our resident origami expert for being such a brilliant teacher. It was a joy to watch the skill and patience.





2023/24 Calendar

Autumn Term 2023	
Pupils Return	Thursday 31 st August 2023
Half Term Begins	Friday 20 th October 2023 (after school)
Pupils Return	Monday 6 th November 2023
Finish	Friday 15 th December 2023 (after school)
Spring Term 2024	
Pupils Return	Thursday 4 th January 2024
Half Term Begins	Thursday 15 th February 2024
INSET	Friday 16 th February 2024
Pupils Return	Monday 26 th February 2024
Finish	Thursday 28 th March 2024 (after school)
Summer Term 2024	
Pupils Return	Thursday 18 th April 2024
Bank Holiday	Monday 6 th May 2024
Half Term Begins	Thursday 23 rd May 2024 (after school)
Pupils Return	Monday 3 rd June 2024
Finish	Thursday 4 th July 2024 (12 noon finish)

Book Changing Sessions Summer 2023

Monday 17th July (9-11am)

Wednesday 2nd August (9-11am)

Friday 11th August (9-11am)

Thursday 24th August (9-11am)

YPSSC Coffee Morning

YPSSC would love to welcome all parents to our Monthly YPSSC social coffee mornings at 'The Keys' on Yarm High Street. Enjoy a cup of coffee with cake and catch up with other parents.

9-11am on the following dates:

Thursday 21st Sept, Tuesday 10th October, Wednesday 15th Nov, Monday 11th Dec.

Please also note down our social on: Thursday 12th Oct 7.30-9.30pm evening drinks @The Keys.

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