



Little Phoenix


YARM SCHOOL
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The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep

Mrs Speight's message ...

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13th October 2023

The children have had a busy week enjoying all that is on offer at Yarm Pre-Prep. The Reception children were thrilled to be going on their first excursion and their outing to the National Trust's Ormesby Hall was extremely successful. Hearing the children chatter in the morning about going on a bus would have made anyone smile! Apparently a highlight was the opportunity for all to have a nap on the coach and I was told that Mr Davies had informed them of this during the pre-trip briefing. 'Good manners cost nothing' is a phrase that regularly springs to mind and it was a joy to hear the Reception children greeting the driver with a very excited, 'Good Morning Ian!' as they climbed aboard the coach. All of the children are looking forward to the last week before half term as Halloween costumes are being discussed for their forthcoming parties next Thursday. I know my 'sister' won't be making her annual appearance which is a relief for me after her shenanigans of last year! Have a wonderful weekend. Warmest wishes,

Joanne Speight



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Ormesby Hall

The sun was shining during Reception's trip to Ormesby Hall and the children took full advantage of the wonderful weather. After exploring the historical house, there was time to enjoy the wonders its gardens and grounds had to offer.



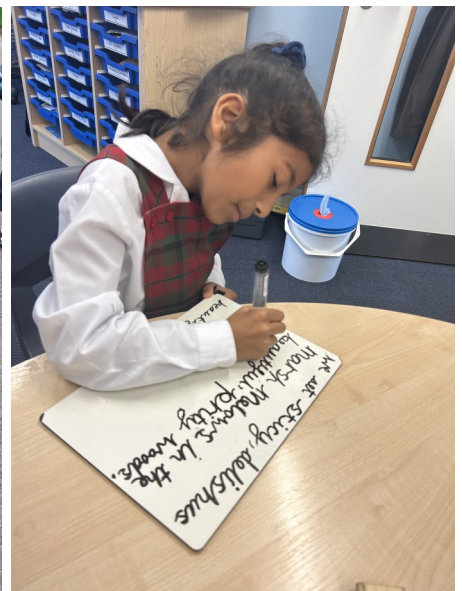
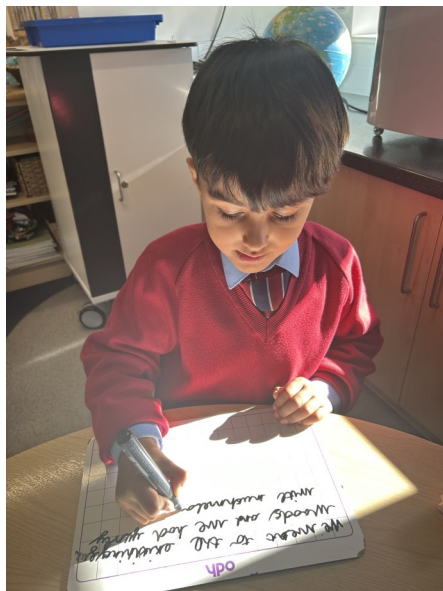
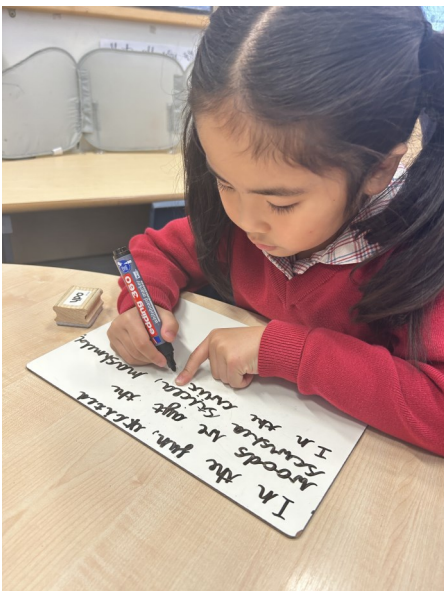
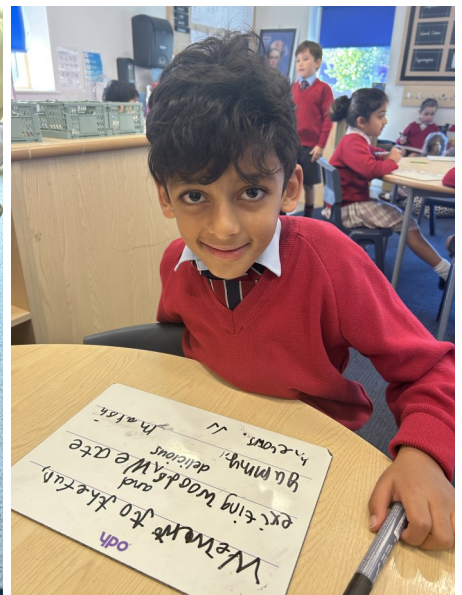
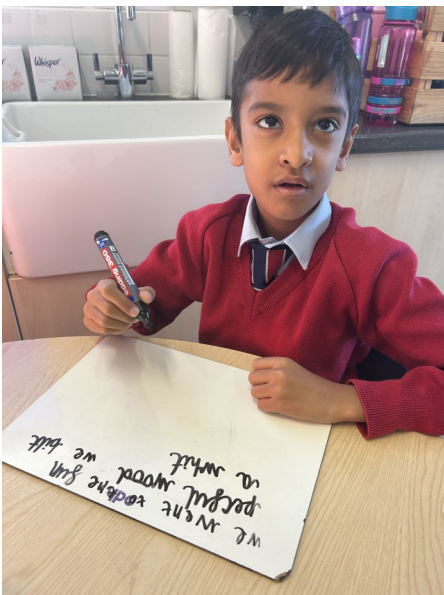
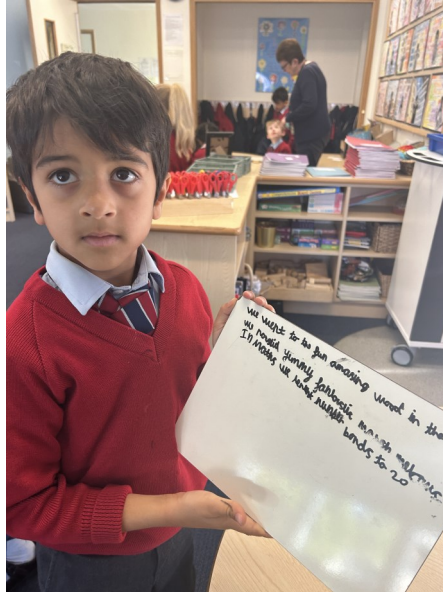
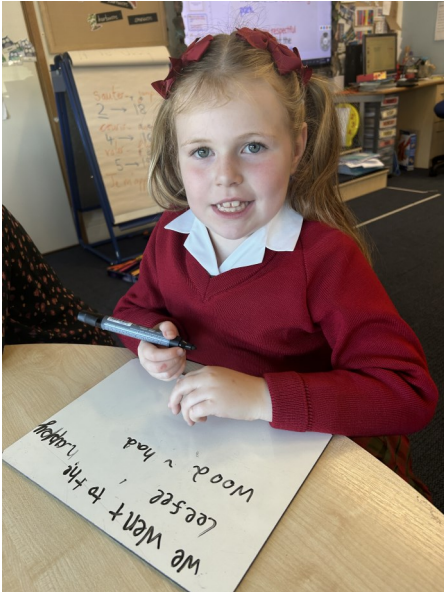
Flapjacks

The Year 1 children read the story of "The Mixed up Picnic", where lots of animals brought foods which were then swapped. Inspired by this the children invited chef Pippa to give them a cookery masterclass on how to make flapjacks. Delicious!



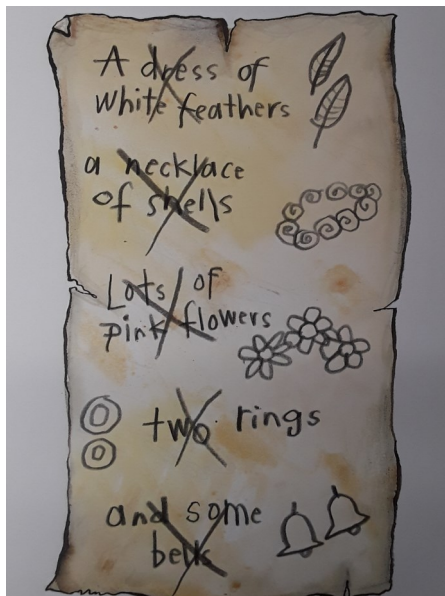
Super Sentences

The Year 2 children have been working hard to write 2A sentences. They have been identifying nouns and thinking of adventurous adjectives.



The Scarecrows' Wedding

In Nursery we have been reading the book 'The Scarecrows' Wedding' by Julia Donaldson. We brought the story to life by going for a treasure hunt around the Pre-Prep garden to find all of the different items which we would need for the wedding.





Pre-Prep Halloween Disco

On Thursday 19th October we will be celebrating Halloween at Pre-Prep with a spooky disco hosted by the YPSSC. Please note this will be a non-uniform day and children should come into school wearing their costume.



Yarm Fair Week

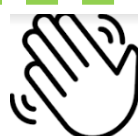
Yarm High Street will be closed as follows

Tuesday 17th October 6pm—11pm

Thursday 19th October 5.45pm—10.45pm

Friday 20th October—5.45pm—10.45pm

After School Care will run as normal but we ask that parents collect their children by **5.45pm at the latest.**



Hello from the YPSSC

(Yarm Prep School Social Committee)

The YPSSC is made up and run by parent volunteers, like a PTA, our function is to provide a social network for the whole school community and raise funds for the children and local charities.

ypssc@yarmschool.org



We are using Classlist!! An amazing app that keeps all events and info in one simple app. Get the app to never miss an event



Dates for the diary

Saturday 18th November Christmas Market

Saturday 25th November Winter Ball- Tickets on Classlist

Coffee mornings

A chance to relax and meet other parents and catch up with what events are coming up

Wednesday 10th Jan 9-11am

Wednesday 28th Feb 9-11am

Thursday 14th March 9-11am

Friday 26th April 9-11am

Thursday 27th June 9-11am

Drinks evening

Thursday 12th October 7.30-9.30pm

Monday 20th May 7-10pm

**@ The Keys, 65 High Street Yarm
TS15 9BH**

Class reps

Each class has a parent rep who is a great 'go to'. Your class rep can be found on the Classlist app.

PreLoved Uniform

As an Eco School we are very keen on preloved uniform and have a good and varied stock. Just drop us a message on the app and we'll see what we have. Donations are ALWAYS welcome- we can find homes for clean items in good condition

FUN AND FREE HALF TERM HALLOWEEN CAMPS

GRANGETOWN NETBALL

Wednesday 1st November
Reception, Y1 & Y2 9-12pm
Y3 & Y4 1-4pm

Email: grangetownnc@hotmail.com to book your FREE place!

Grangetown Youth and Community Centre, TS6 7HP

You are warmly invited to a
Maths at Yarm Preparatory School
Information Event for Year 2 - 6 Parents
Wednesday 8th November 2023, 4 – 4.45pm
Prep School Hall

- ✓ Counting/Number
- ✓ Written calculations
- ✓ Fluency
- ✓ Maths Apps
- ✓ Supporting at home



- ✓ R-Y6 Overview
- ✓ KIRFS
- ✓ Times Table Facts
- ✓ Resources
- ✓ Parent Workshops



*How does the school teach calculations?
Why is fluency so important?
How can I support my child at home?
What websites can I use at home?*

To allow us to plan and cater for the event, please can you fill in the Google Form below by **Monday 6th November**, indicating whether you will be attending.

<https://forms.gle/MWzkhLmR7uxaTPxC7>

Yarm Preparatory School, Grammar School Lane, Yarm TS15 9ES

Telephone: 01642 781447

Halloween Spooktacular—Monday 30th October

2.30pm and 6.30pm

Join Tommy The Ghostbuster and all the gang as they embark on another spooktastic adventure this Halloween! Will everything turn out okay in the end? Will the party go ahead? Will everyone live spookily ever after? Find out by booking your tickets today! Fancy dress encouraged!

<https://www.thepaaonline.org/whats-on/halloween-spooktacular-2/>



The Lightbulb Princess—Friday 3rd November, 2pm

A delightful new show full of sparkle and song, for everyone aged 4 and up. Can you help a very unusual princess solve an unexpected problem? Without the twinkle of fairy lights, the holiday season could be cancelled! It's up to our intrepid explorer, her pals and YOU to illuminate the world again.

<https://www.thepaaonline.org/whats-on/the-lightbulb-princess/>

Fireman Sam—Sunday 5th November, 12pm and 3.30pm

When all of his friends go away, Norman Price decides to find adventure in Pontypandy and become the star of a visiting circus. But with a tiger on the loose and faulty lights, the adventure soon turns to danger. Can Fireman Sam come to the rescue and save the circus?

<https://www.thepaaonline.org/whats-on/fireman-sam-saves-the-circus-2/>



Dear Parents

My Child's Art is a service that enables parents to order Christmas cards, as well as a host of other personalised gifts printed with your child's unique design. YPSSC earns commission from every purchase of the My Child's Art products which provide valuable funds to meet the cost of activities for the children.

Your child's form teacher has the option to complete the artwork in class or send the art sheet home.

To get the best results please follow the accompanying instructions.

With apologies, any artwork NOT completed on an official artwork sheet cannot be used.

Spare sheets are available from Louise White in Prep and Georgina Banham in Pre Prep.

Once your child's artwork is complete, please return it (**unfolded**) to their form teacher **no later than 20 October 2023** i.e. before the end of term.

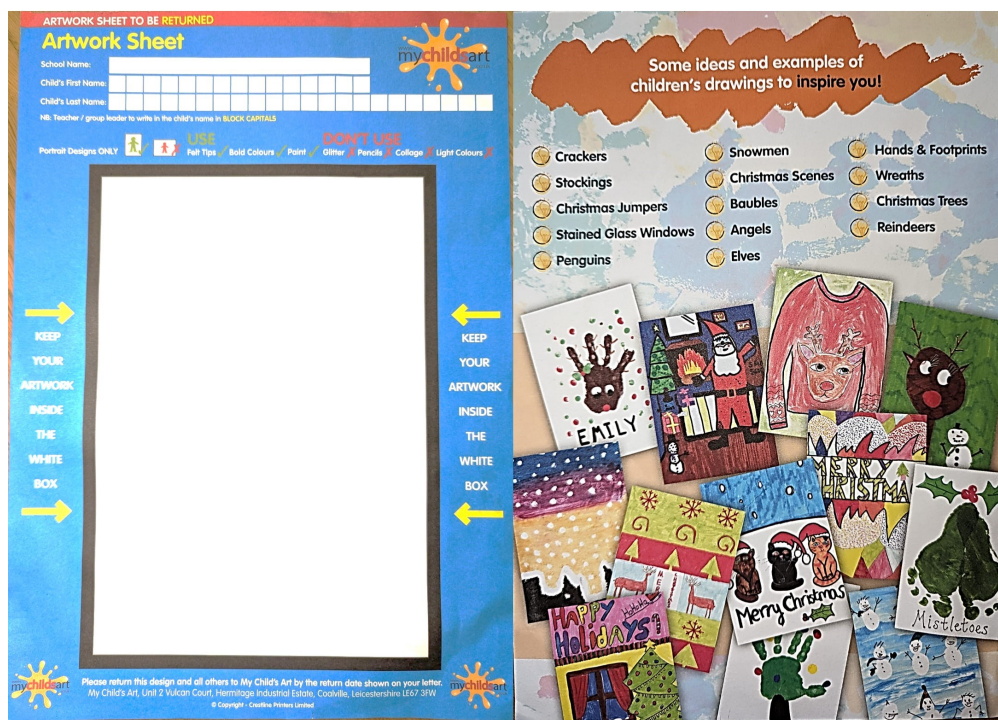
What happens next...

Once we receive the artwork, we will send this off to My Child's Art who will scan and upload your sheets into a secure online order portal. We will then be able to share the details with you so that you can view the exciting range of festive products that are available, all including your child's unique design.

Thank you very much in anticipation of your support.

Many thanks

YPSSC



Christmas Fundraiser Artwork Guidelines

For best printed results we recommend full coverage designs that use bright / bold felt-tip pens.

Do Use...

- ☒ Bold colours
- ☒ Felt-tip pens
- ☒ Poster paint

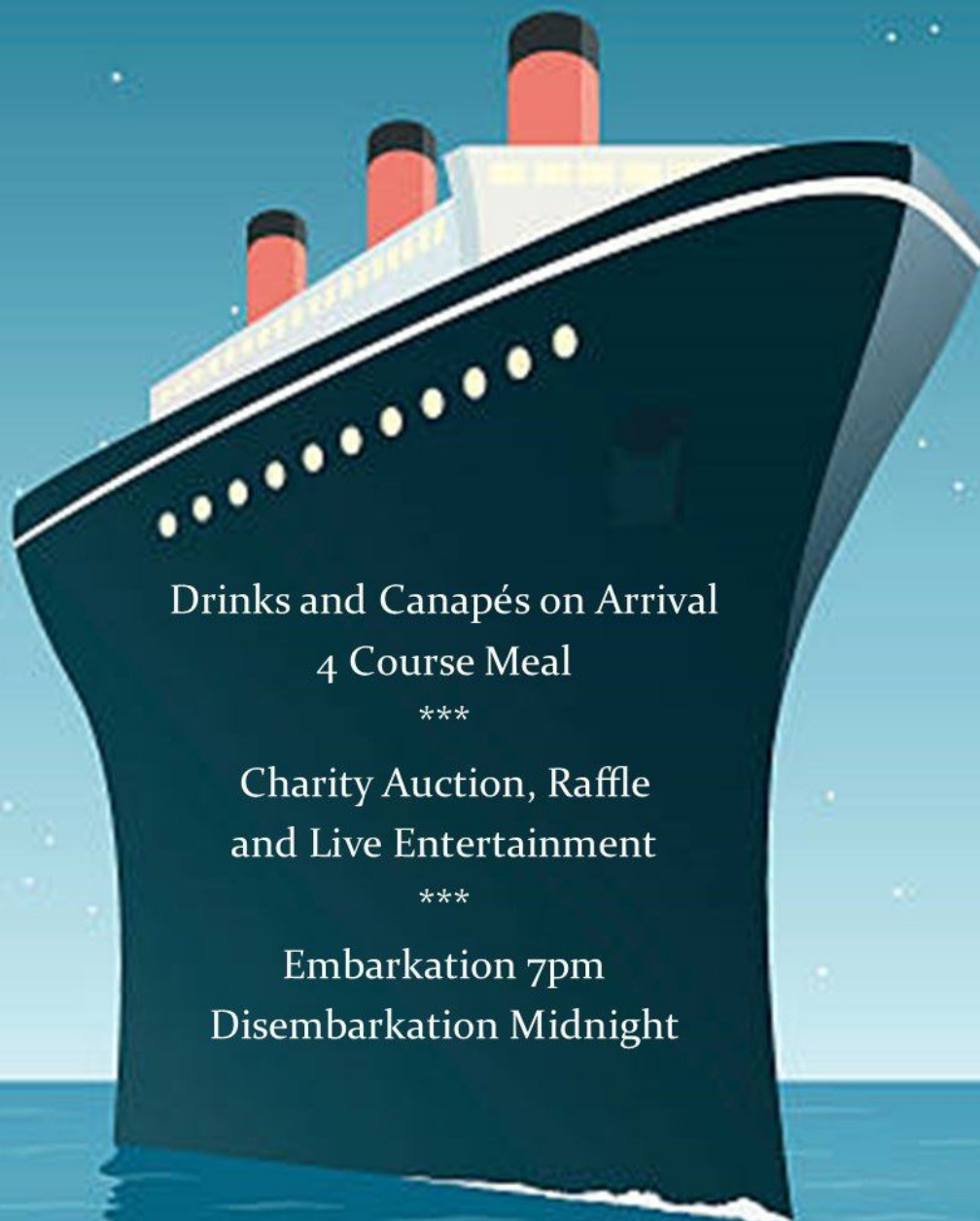
Don't Use...

- ☒ Light colours
- ☒ Metallic pens
- ☒ Pencils
- ☒ Glitter
- ☒ Crayons
- ☒ Collage

You are cordially invited to attend the YPSSC Charity Event

The Captain's Ball

In aid of Neoangels



Drinks and Canapés on Arrival
4 Course Meal

Charity Auction, Raffle
and Live Entertainment

Embarkation 7pm
Disembarkation Midnight

Saturday 25th November

Early Bird Tickets £75

[Click here to buy your ticket!](#)

Princess
Alexandra Auditorium

[Neoangels](#)

Tickets available via
Classlist Now