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## The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep

Mrs Speight's message ...

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10th November 2023

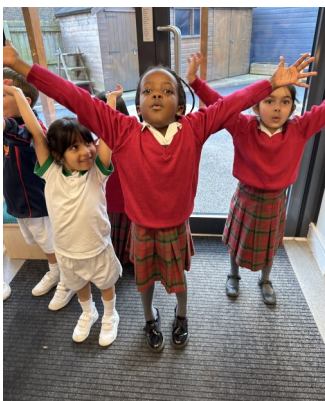
Welcome back after a very windy, wet and stormy half term holiday. I hope that you feel refreshed after a fortnight away from school and are ready for the countdown to Christmas! I know that it is early to be mentioning the 'C' word but as you know, I always say that time flies when you're having fun and before we know it, the Nativities and associated festivities will have been and gone. November 18th brings our Christmas Craft Fair and this promises to be a super event. Please spread the word about this annual occasion where you are able to buy a wide variety of gifts, sample some tasty seasonal treats and enjoy a wonderfully warm atmosphere with the rest of the School community. On Friday, Major Robson came into school to talk to the children about Remembrance Sunday and as ever this was both perfectly pitched and delivered. As I am sure you will agree, It is so important that our children begin to have an awareness of Poppy Day. I am very grateful that Major Robson gives her time so willingly and would like to take this opportunity to thank her for this. Wishing you all a lovely weekend.



Warmest wishes,

*Jeanne Speight*

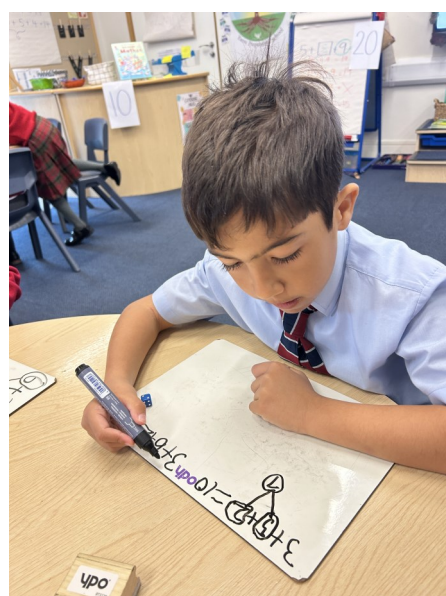
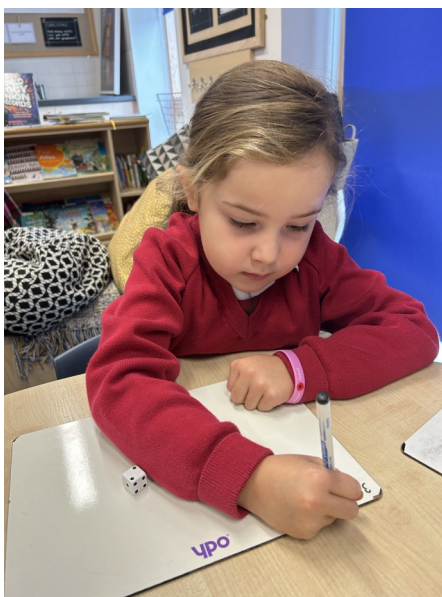
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## Add 3 Numbers

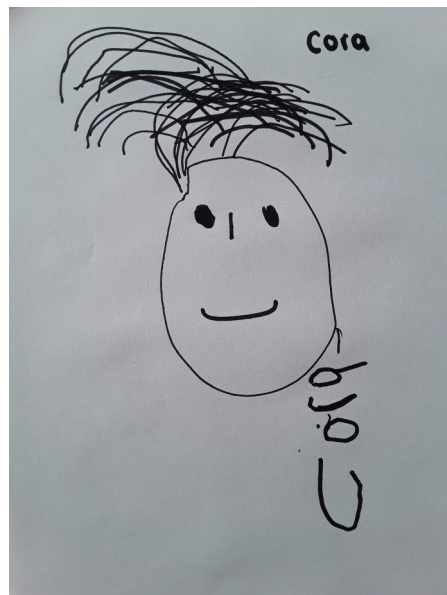
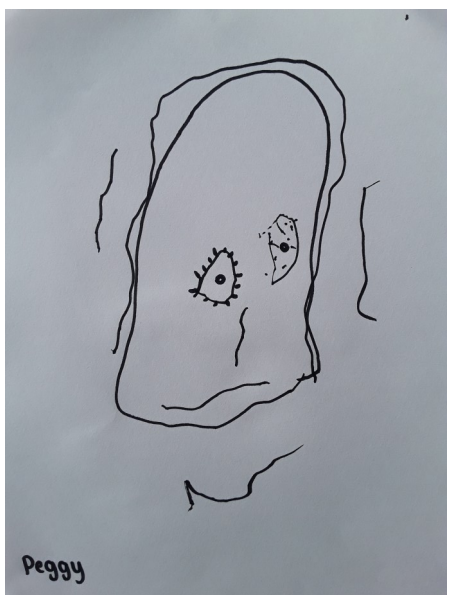
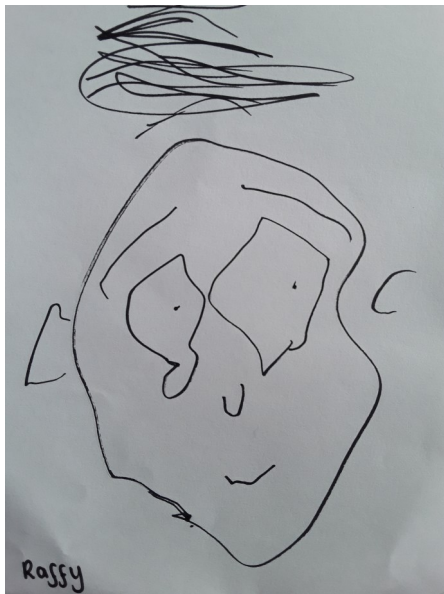
- Year 2 have been working hard in maths with their topic of addition and subtraction. Having rolled a dice three times they then calculated the total.





## The Polar Express

In Nursery we have been drawing self portraits for the community Christmas art project...passengers on the Polar Express!





## Poppies

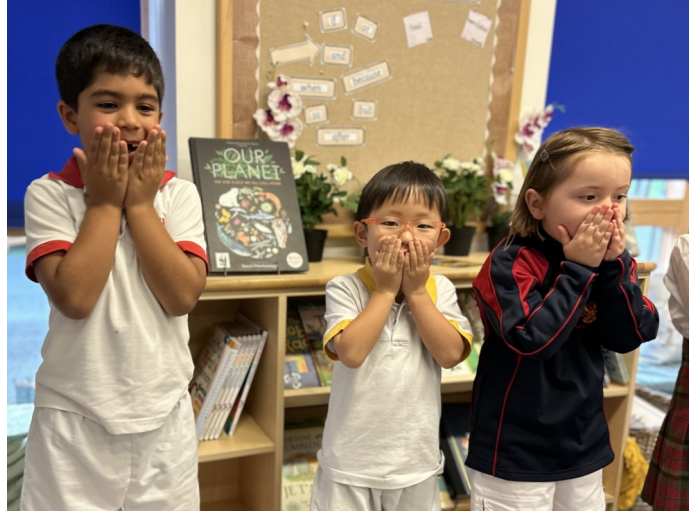
The Reception children have carefully made their own poppies in preparation for Remembrance Day. We also shared the touching tale of Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge; a book about the joy of sharing memories.





## We're Going on a Bear Hunt

The Year 1 children have been 'Going on a Mystery Hunt' inspired by the children's classic from Michael Rosen 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'. The children worked in groups to act out the original story, then thought of their own animals and obstacles for an adventure.







### Wedding News

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Cardwell (née Miss Rowlands) who tied the knot at Runa Farm on Friday 27th October. We wish you all the best for the future.



### Diwali

We will be celebrating Diwali this coming Monday across the school, with special assemblies in the Prep and Pre-Prep and a special lunch. We will also be sharing tea lights and traditional Indian sweets with the children, thanks to support from the YPSSC.

Pupils who usually celebrate the festival are welcome to come to school in traditional dress on this day. All other pupils are welcome to wear a colourful item of clothing along with their usual school uniform.

### Reception P.E. Kit

On a day when Reception children come into school wearing their kit, they should wear their white polo shirt, long sleeved navy mid layer and either their white P.E. shorts or a pair of navy tracksuit bottoms.

YARM PREP SCHOOL SOCIAL COMMITTEE





# CAPTAIN'S BALL

## *25th November 2023*

IN AID OF NEO ANGELS CHARITY

Early Bird Ticket £75 - includes Drinks & Canapes, 4-Course Meal  
Princess Alexandra Auditorium, 7pm - midnight








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## Parent Curriculum Information Site

Welcome to the Yarm Preparatory School Parent Curriculum Information Site.

The aim of the site is to provide you with the key curriculum information for each step of your child's journey through school. Additionally, there are links to resources and guidance for supporting your child at home.

Please pass on any requests for additional information to your child's Form Teacher or email Mrs Pawluk and Mrs Speight. The site will be regularly updated.

[jp@yarmschool.org](mailto:jp@yarmschool.org) [jsp@yarmschool.org](mailto:jsp@yarmschool.org)

Please click the images below to take you to each curriculum page or use the menu tab.

# <https://bit.ly/yarmcurriculum>

Click here to access the Parent Curriculum  
Information Site

## Christmas Art Competition

*Design and create a TURKEY using the  
style of your favourite famous artist!*

*Here is an example...*



*Your entry can be created using any medium -  
the more original the better. It can be  
sculpture, collage, painting... anything goes!*

**Deadline: Monday 4th December 2023**

**Please bring entries to Mrs Shepherd**

Competition open to Years 1—6

## Holiday School 2023-24

### Christmas

Monday 18th—Thursday 21st December

### Easter

Tuesday 2nd—Friday 5th April

### Summer

Monday 15th July—Friday 2nd August

The booking form will be emailed out by Mr Simpson four weeks prior to each holiday school.





## Wollow's Adventures





**Andre Rieu's White Christmas—Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd December, 3pm**

For many, Christmas is the most wonderful time of the year.

This year it will come early with André Rieu's cinema special White Christmas—a celebration you will never forget.

From the first jingled bell, you will be immersed in the incomparable Christmas atmosphere of André's winter wonderland.

<https://www.thepaaonline.org/whats-on/andre-rieus-white-christmas-2023/>



**ROH Live—The Nutcracker—Tuesday 12th December, 7.15pm and Sunday 17th December, 2pm**

Join Clara at a delightful Christmas Eve party that becomes a magical adventure once everyone else is tucked up in bed. Marvel at the brilliance of Tchaikovsky's score, as Clara and her enchanted Nutcracker fight the Mouse King and visit the Sugar Plum Fairy in the glittering Kingdom of Sweets.

<https://www.thepaaonline.org/whats-on/roh-live-the-nutcracker-3/>

**Cinderella Panto—From Thursday 14th December—Sunday 24th December—Various times**

Don't miss the most magical pantomime of them all CINDERELLA. Starring Benidorm singing sensation Asa Elliott as Prince Charming, Yarm regular Tom Rolfe as Buttons and a full supporting cast for the PAA's biggest festive family panto ever, cram packed with all the usual fun and chaos with one or two surprises thrown in for good measure!

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

