



Little Phoenix


YARM SCHOOL
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The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep

Mrs Speight's message ...

Number 404

17th November 2023

Another week has passed by and as I am sitting in my office writing my entry for the newsletter I am thinking about the true community spirit which is so evident in our School. On Tuesday, Mrs Jennings and Mrs White took some of the Year 2 children to visit Middleton Lodge Retirement Village to spend time with our friends who live there. Mrs Jennings and Mrs White run the 'Silver Stories' club and I am sure you will see from the photographs that this visit brought great joy to the people living there. I must also say thank you to Balinder (Zac's Mummy) and her cousin Diljit who came to take an assembly about Diwali, the festival of light. This festival celebrates the triumph of good over evil and is an opportunity for families to come together and enjoy a party. I have seen some wonderful Rangoli patterns throughout the Pre-Prep and am looking forward to seeing some of these on display in the Year 1 corridor. I would also like to draw your attention to the email which has been sent to you about the next four weeks and please do not hesitate to contact Georgina if you have any further queries. The children have been talking about attending the Christmas Craft Fair tomorrow, I've heard there may be a special visit from a man in the red suit! Wishing you a relaxing weekend. Warmest wishes,

Jeanne Speight Follow me on X: @YarmPrePrep 



Colourful Creations

In Nursery, the children have been learning about Diwali. They loved seeing some of their friends come to school wearing traditional dress and sharing their customs from home. When life gives you rain, play in the puddles! So we certainly did but with a Diwali twist. We took powder paints outside and created our own version of Rangoli patterns in the tuff trays and on the ground.



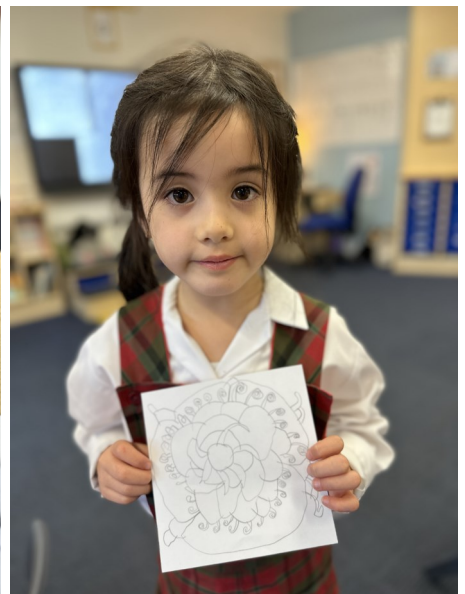
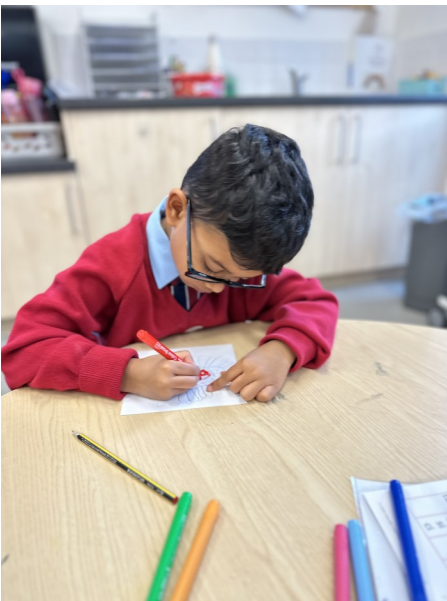
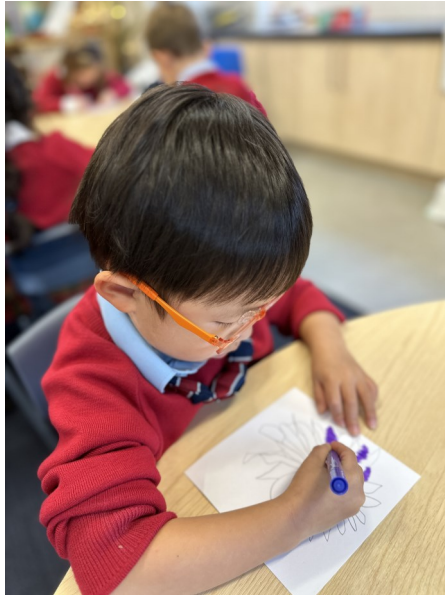
Diwali

The Reception classrooms were alive with colour as the children prepared to celebrate Diwali. Following an inspiring assembly by Zac's mummy and her cousin, the children enjoyed creating Rangoli patterns and making Diwali crafts.



Rangoli Patterns

Happy Diwali! The Year 1 children have loved learning about Diwali this week. They were inspired to create their own Rangoli patterns and these beautiful works of art will be proudly displayed in the corridor.



Silver Stories

The Year 2 children who attend Silver Stories Club met Jean from the Middleton Hall Residential Village where they played the ukulele, sang Christmas songs and shared their stories. This was a memorable experience for all and demonstrates true community spirit.





PREP AND PRE-PREP DRAMA CLUBS—

IMPORTANT

Please note that there will be no after school drama or yoga/meditation clubs for Prep and Pre-Prep children on **Thursday 23rd or Friday 24th November**.

If you would like your child to go into after school instead on either of these dates, please contact Mrs Banham or Mrs White.

Dates For Your Diary

Wednesday 29th November—Year 1 and 2 Nativity, PAA 5.30pm

Monday 4th December—Report released at 4pm (Reception—Year 6)

Monday 4th December—EYFS Nativity—Nursery parents, Studio Hall 2pm

Tuesday 5th December—EYFS Nativity—Reception parents, Studio Hall 2pm

Friday 15th December—Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas lunch, last day of term (no after school care)

Notice from First Aid Lead Lyndsey

Please be reminded that as a school we follow the Department of Health Guidance on Infection Control in schools. This guidance states that the recommended period of time to be kept away from school for diarrhoea and/or vomiting is 48 hours from the last episode.

Your support in this area will help to reduce the spread of Infection in school.

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.





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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.

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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.



Off the Field and into the Jungle with Mike Tindall
MBE, Tuesday 20th February, 7.45pm

Join us for what promises to be a fantastic evening with the ex-England Rugby Union and World Cup winning legend, Mike Tindall MBE. There is no topic off limits with Mike and we look forward to welcoming you to what promises to be an outstanding evening.

(Meet and Greet tickets are available)

<https://www.thepaaonline.org/whats-on/off-the-field-and-into-the-jungle-with-mike-tindall-mbe/>



Ukrainian National Opera—Carmen, Wednesday 21st February, 7.30pm

After last season's premiere in the UK, we are delighted to bring back Dnipro Opera theatre from the Ukraine. This opera and ballet theatre has a long-standing heritage of top-quality opera productions, and we are excited to bring it back to the UK in our 2024 Opera Season. Carmen tells the story of the downfall of Don José, a naïve soldier who falls head over heels in love with Carmen, a seductive, free-spirited femme fatale. The infatuated Don José abandons his childhood sweetheart and neglects his military duties, only to lose the fickle Carmen to the glamorous toreador Escamillo.

<https://www.thepaaonline.org/whats-on/ukrainian-national-opera-carmen/>



Snooker Greats—Clash of the Titans, Monday 18th February, 7.30pm

Join Jimmy White, Steve Davis and Dennis Taylor, as they recreate the matches that saw them rise to the top of their profession. Snooker legend Dennis Taylor, winner of the famous 1985 World Championship Black Ball Final, is your host and referee for the evening. A night not to be missed! There will also be a Q&A, providing you with the opportunity to pose the questions you always wanted to ask. (Meet and Greet tickets are available)

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The PAA also offer gift vouchers!—<https://thepaaonline.ticketssolve.com/ticketbooth/products/regular?ga=2.257873602.879098118.1605713120-935458996.1600160871>



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Rudolph Rodeo
Children's Games,
Santas's Grotto!



Craft Stalls,
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Yarm School Association

CHRISTMAS INDOOR MARKET

Saturday 18th November 2023

10am - 4pm, Yarm School

Adults £4, Children Free - Pay on the Door