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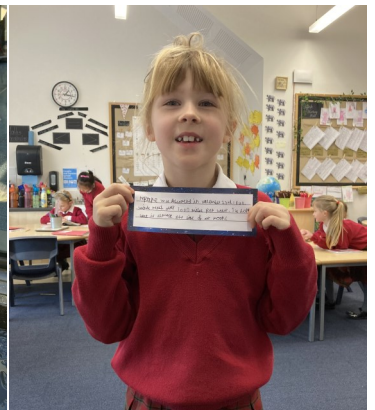
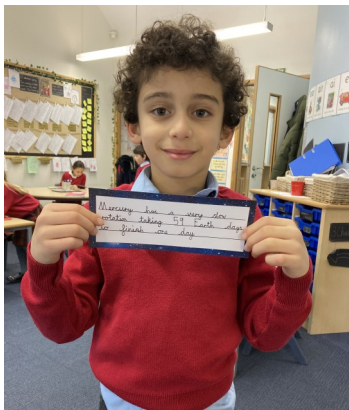
## The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep

Mrs Speight's message ...

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**19th January 2024**

The current cold weather has given us ample opportunities to talk about ice and what this is. The Nursery children were amazed when they discovered that it is simply frozen water! They have also enjoyed listening to the story 'The Dot' and making a wonderful display for their Studio! The Reception children are becoming increasingly independent when putting their coats, hats and gloves on as they ensure they are appropriately dressed for the great outdoors. The Year 1 children have been preparing for their trip and were delighted to be the recipients of a very informative talk about aeroplanes from Harry's Daddy. Thank you to Mr Adotey, it is wonderful that we have so many parents who are willing to give of their time so willingly. The Pre-Prep is looking splendid with many new displays ready for our Open Morning. We have some of our Pre-Prep ambassadors participating and I know they will make us so proud. The Year 2 children have many questions to ask and answers to find as they continue with their topic on Space. World Book Day is fast approaching on Thursday March 7th and I'm already researching my costume... Have a wonderful, relaxing weekend. Warmest wishes,

*Joanne Speight* Follow me on X: @YarmPrePrep 





## Signs of Winter

The Reception children have been making the most of the frosty weather this week. We have explored the ice and it has prompted much curiosity about how Arctic creatures stay warm.





### Crew Hats

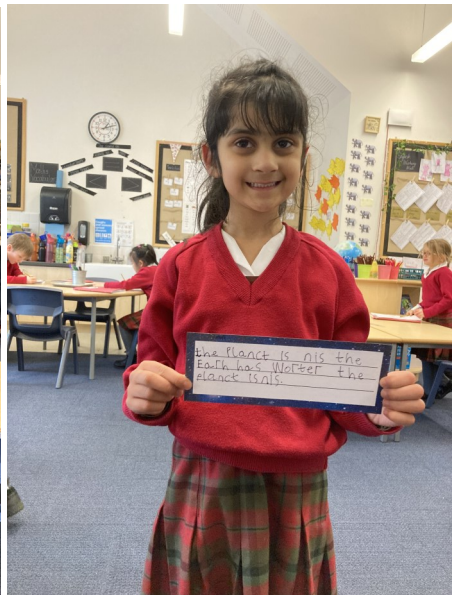
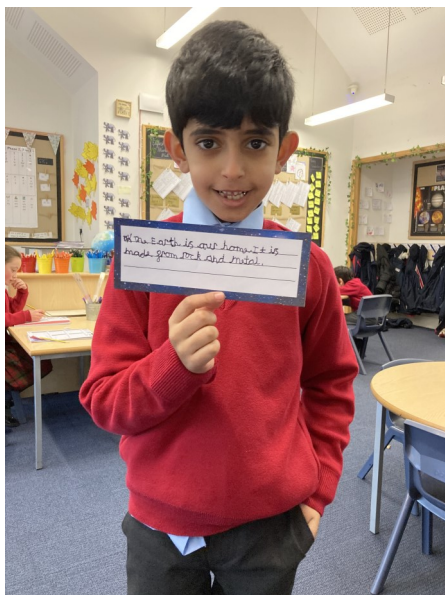
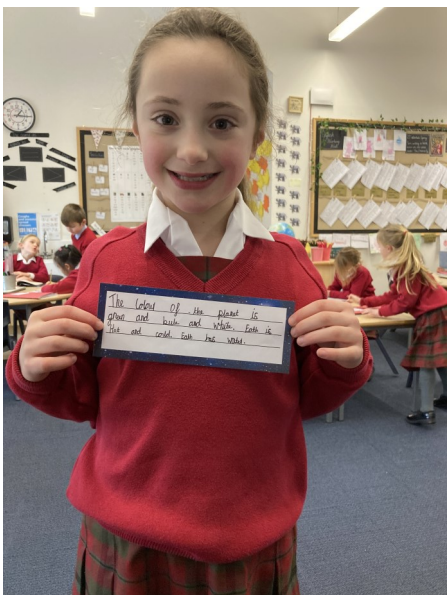
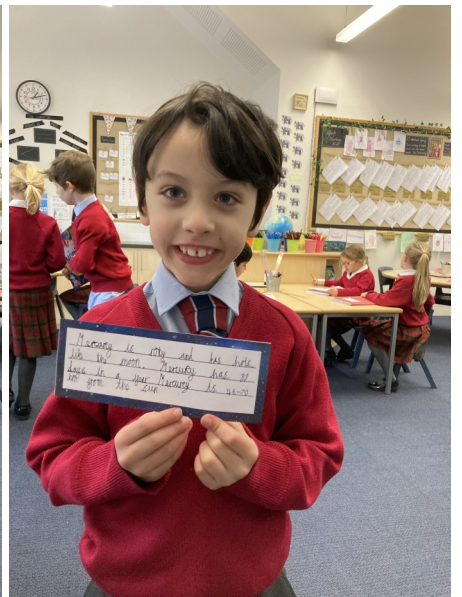
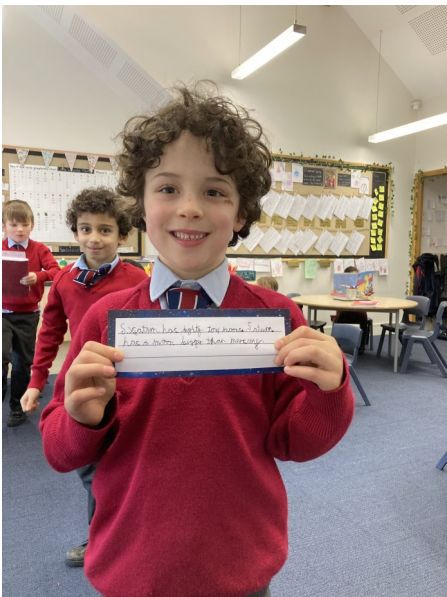
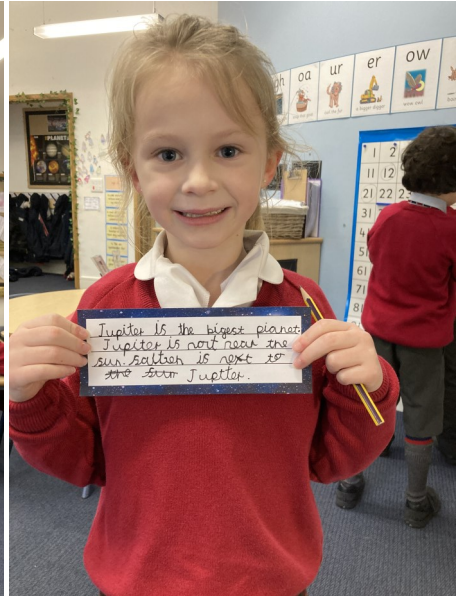
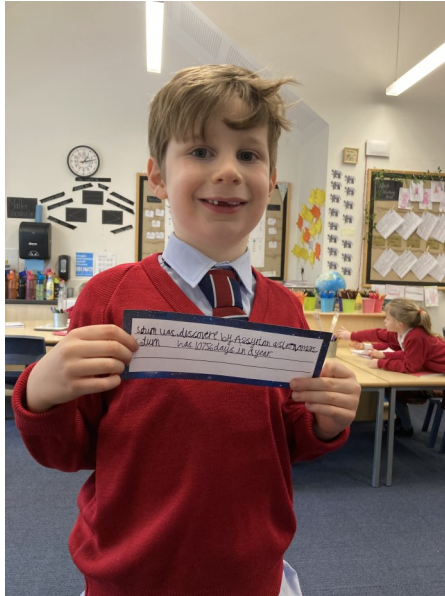
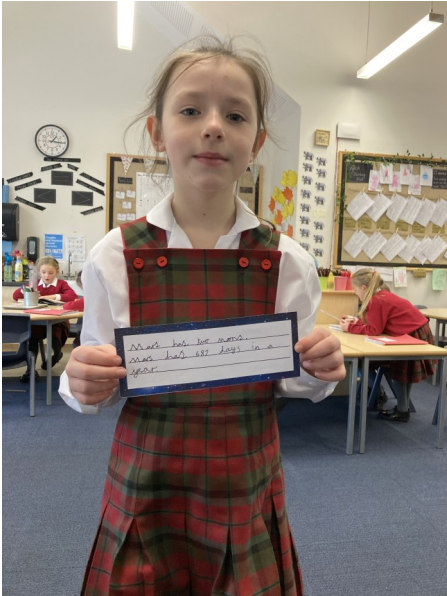
The Year 1 children have been preparing for their trip next week to visit a plane fuselage. They have learned about roles on an aeroplane and even acted them out. All their questions have been answered with our guest visitor, Mr Adotey, a real airline pilot. All children have made their own cabin crew hat for their uniform, they were given special pointers by Mrs Dawson who used to be cabin crew!





## Planets

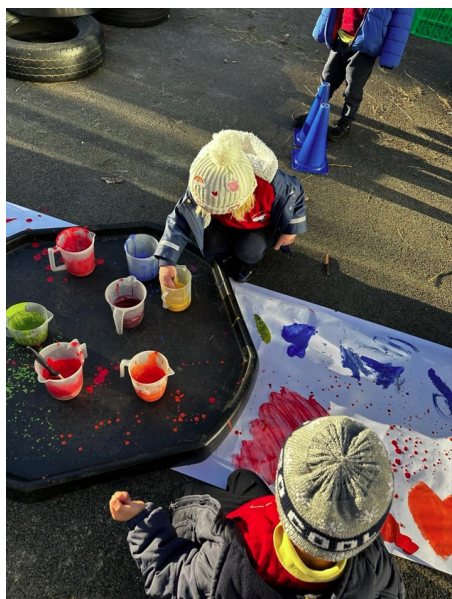
The Year 2 children have been researching planets this week for their space topic. A wonderful display has been created in the Studio Hall to showcase their work.





## Mark Making

"Make a mark and see where it takes you" has been the focus in Nursery after reading the story 'The Dot' by Peter Reynolds. The children have loved making marks in a wide variety of different ways.







### Dates For Your Diary

- 25/1/24**—Year 1 visit to Middlesbrough College
- 15/2/24**—Half term beings (after school)
- 16/2/24**—INSET day (school closed)
- 26/2/24**—Pupils return to school
- 29/2/24**—Rare Diseases Day—wear jeans £1
- 7/3/24**—World Book Day
- 8/3/24**—Bring a grown up to school
- 15/3/24**—Red Nose Day—wear an item of red £1
- w/c 18/3/24**—Parents evening
- 25/3/24**—Holi celebration
- 28/3/24**—End of term (no after school care)

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**

We will be celebrating world book day on Thursday 7th March. All children in Pre-Prep are invited to come into school dressed as their favourite story book character.

### Holiday School 2024

#### **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.

### Lateness

Please be reminded that the school day starts **promptly at 8.35am** each morning. If your child arrives after 8.35am then they will receive a late mark. Your cooperation with this is much appreciated.

### You can find the Yarm School

#### Calendar by clicking here



### Prep New Build Open House

'Open house' visits for parents and pupils have been arranged to tour the facilities (between 4pm and 4.15pm) in groups on the following dates:

Tue 30/1 - Year 3

Weds 31/1 - Pre-Prep

Thurs 1/2 - Pre-Prep

Thu 8/2 - Year 4

Wed 28/2 - Year 6

Fri 1/3 - Year 5

Wed 13/3 - Former Prep pupils currently in Senior School and parents

*Mr Stone*

### Pre-Prep Sports Uniform Changes

Dear Parents,

I wanted to let you know that we have made a change to the Pre-Prep sports uniform.

This change has come following feedback from Parents with regards to the white kit not being very practical for small children to keep clean and that it is not that easy to launder to keep the white coloured top and collar from running.

The current white PE kit (comprising the Polo shirt with the coloured collar and white sports shorts) is being replaced with a unisex navy blue games top and unisex navy blue sports shorts. These are available now to order on the Perry uniform website and can be worn with white socks.

If your child is moving into Year 3 next academic year please purchase the Games kit required for Year 3 via the Perry website.

The white kit your child currently has is still fine to be worn or until they have grown out of it.

However, I have been made aware from Perry's that although you can order the new Navy blue games top now, due to supply issues, it will not be delivered to you until February.

**As with any new kit this will need to be embroidered with your child's initials on to make things easier for all.** As you will be aware Perry's does not offer this service. Once you have received the new kit please bring this to the uniform showroom and we will arrange for it to be embroidered (at the usual cost of £4.00 per item currently). Please note that this can take up to three weeks until we get the items back.

Please feel free to contact the Uniform showroom if you have any questions or would like to make an appointment for your child to come and try on the new kit.

Kind regards

Lesley Porter

Uniform Showroom Manager

[uniformshop@yarmschool.org](mailto:uniformshop@yarmschool.org) or tel 01642 792588



**LIVE MUSIC FROM THE COUNTERFEIT CELTS**

**YSA PRESENTS**

# **ST. PATRICK'S DAY**



## **CELEBRATION**

**FRIDAY 15TH MARCH, 7-11PM**

**LIVE MUSIC - FOOD - DRINK**

**THE BASEMENT BAR, THE PAA**

Save the date for our YSA St Patrick's event! It is an informal and relaxed event in the Basement Bar and is a great way for parents to get to know each other. This event is open to all school parents from Prep and Senior School - we hope to see you there!

Tickets will be available to purchase soon so please keep checking Classlist for more information on how to buy tickets.





YARM SCHOOL PROUDLY PRESENTS AN AMATEUR  
PRODUCTION OF

RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN'S

# *Cinderella*

ENCHANTED VERSION



MUSIC BY RICHARD RODGERS  
BOOK & LYRICS BY OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II



WEDNESDAY 31ST JANUARY - SATURDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2024  
7.30PM

THE PRINCESS ALEXANDRA AUDITORIUM, YARM SCHOOL

ADULTS £15.00 CHILDREN £8.00

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