



Little Phoenix



The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep


Year 2's message ...

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As Mrs Speight is away, she asked the Year 2 children to help her by writing a piece for the newsletter and here it is. During this amazing week in Pre-Prep, the children from Year 2 have been busy participating in a range of exciting activities. We adventured up the hill on Monday to visit Tortellini the tortoise as part of our new science topic, 'Animals and Living Things.' Tortellini was pleased to see us and as we popped our heads around the door of the Science Lab, she was moving under the dusty, hard tunnel. Whilst we were at the Prep School, we conducted some research using non-fiction books in the new library. On Wednesday, 2W visited Marske beach to pick up some litter. We had a super time using our litter pickers to collect wrappers and other rubbish from the beautiful beach. Elsewhere in Pre-Prep, the Year 1 children blasted off to the moon in a shiny, golden rocket. They were excited to visit the strange, wiggly aliens and write about what they saw on their journey to space. The Reception children walked down to Sainsbury's and they had a lovely time buying ingredients for their toast café. Rumour has it that they were allowed to visit the stock room and fridge while they were there! It's getting closer to Easter and we are looking forward to chocolate eggs. We hope you have a great weekend. Warmest wishes, the children of 2W.

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Clay

We have introduced a new area of provision in Nursery...clay! We have been using different tools such as rolling pins, sponges and paintbrushes to explore this new medium.



Visit To Yarm High Street

The children in Reception enjoyed exploring Yarm High Street and visiting Sainsbury's. After buying some ingredients, the children returned to the classroom and hosted their own Toast Cafe.



Goodbye Mrs Rickards!

We all wished Mrs Rickards 'Goodbye and good luck' as she departed for her maternity leave. We made her a book with our name suggestions and gave her gifts from the children and parents. On Thursday, we made biscuits which resembled dummies and enjoyed sharing baby stories. We shall miss you Mrs Rickards!



Bring Your Mums To School

The Year 2 children enjoyed sharing activities with their mums ahead of Mothering Sunday. They decorated biscuits with icing and made Mother's Day crafts.





Reporting Absence

If your child is absent from school for any reason (including medical appointments) you must inform Mrs Banham in the school office. She can then inform the class teacher and ensure that the absence is recorded correctly.

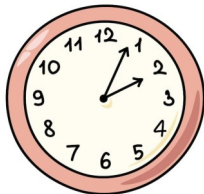


Holi Festival



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.



On Monday 25th March we will celebrate Holi, the Hindu festival of colours, love and Spring by holding a colour run at Pre-Prep.

Please send your child into school wearing bright home clothes that you don't mind getting covered in paint!

Summer Clubs and Activities

Please find the clubs and activities booklet for the summer term here: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ohY5EyA3I-fD8MjsjANE2dDJethqZPtsSOJ0kD4bu5w/edit?usp=sharing>

You can register your child's interest in the clubs by filling in the booking form here: <https://bit.ly/summerclubs24>.

Please spend some time reading through the booklet first before booking.

The form will close on the morning of Friday 22nd March.

If you have any questions please get in touch with Mr Stone.

Best wishes,

Gavin Stone



The Mersey Beatles

Friday 12th April, 7.30pm

The world's favourite Liverpool-born tribute to The Beatles celebrate the 60th anniversary of A Hard Day's Night.

The iconic 1964 album and movie perfectly captured the Fab Four at their pop peak. And to mark the diamond anniversary, The Mersey Beatles will play the entire A Hard Day's Night album in full – followed by a hit-packed collection of Beatlemania classics

<https://www.thepaaonline.org/whats-on/mersey-beatles/>



Lipstick on your Collar

Saturday 13th April, 7.30pm

Lipstick On Your Collar is back with a new show for 2024!

Step back in time to the golden era of music where the jukebox roared and feet didn't touch the floor. Get your dancing shoes at the ready, grab yourself a milkshake and relax – you are in for an evening of back to back hits from the 1950s and 60s!

<https://www.thepaaonline.org/whats-on/lipstick-on-your-collar-2/>



Irish Annie's

Saturday 20th April, 7.30pm

Meet landlady Annie and her regular madcap customers for a fun night out of comedy and music, featuring original tracks written for the show by Asa Murphy, along with your all-time favourite Irish tunes including Galway Shawl, Tell Me Ma, Dirty Old Town, Danny Boy and many more. The show has audiences laughing, singing, and dancing the night away. Singalong song sheets are handed out to all attending. Cast includes Ricky Tomlinson, Catherine Rice and Asa Murphy. It has been known for a special guest to walk through the pub door too. You never know who might walk in.

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