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## The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep

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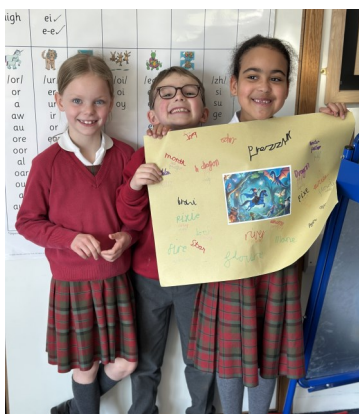
### Mrs Speight's message ...

As I write the penultimate newsletter before our Easter break, I have taken the time to reflect upon our pupil's learning. The Nursery children have enjoyed being outside using the obstacle course and have created wonderful daffodil pictures emphasising the first signs of Spring. The Reception pupils enjoyed their trip to the woods and we were very pleased with their portraits of one another. Mrs White drew a lovely picture which had a strong resemblance to myself! The Year 1 pupils have enjoyed their oracy lessons using positional language and are now in a 'position' to tell you all about capacity! I wonder whether they can remember what capacity and volume mean? The Year 2 children have been writing sentences using adverbs but just as importantly are wonderful ambassadors for our younger pupils. It won't be very long before I am telling them that this is their last term in Pre-Prep and they should enjoy every minute before they begin the next part of their Yarm journey at the Prep School. Have a pleasant weekend and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday. Warmest wishes...

*Joanne Speight*



**Tes Schools Awards 2024**  
Winner  
Independent Prep School of the Year





## Mama's Sleeping Scarf

In preparation for Mother's Day this Sunday, we read the story 'Mama's Sleeping Scarf' about the beautiful prints of Nigerian fabric. We loved making our own scarves and using fabric to make circles and swirls.





## French

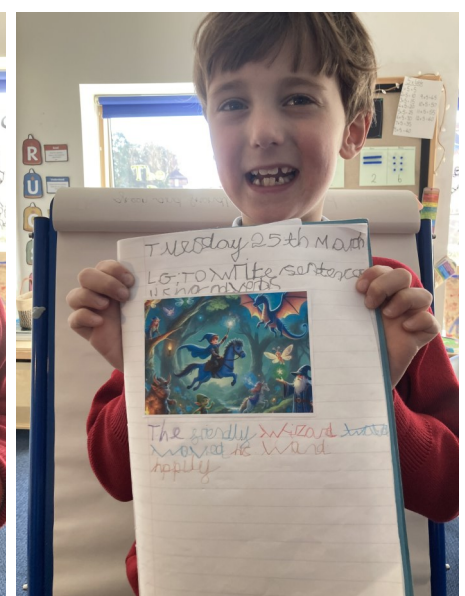
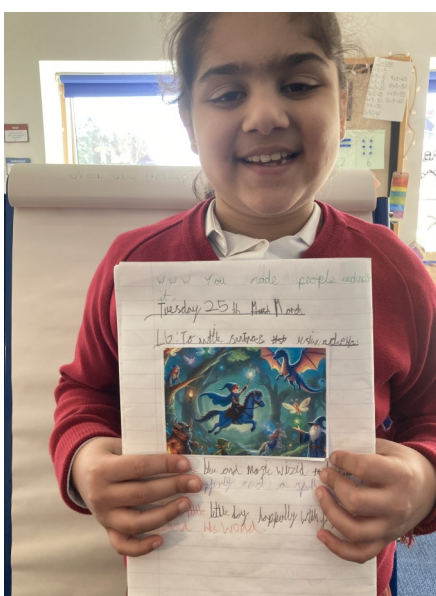
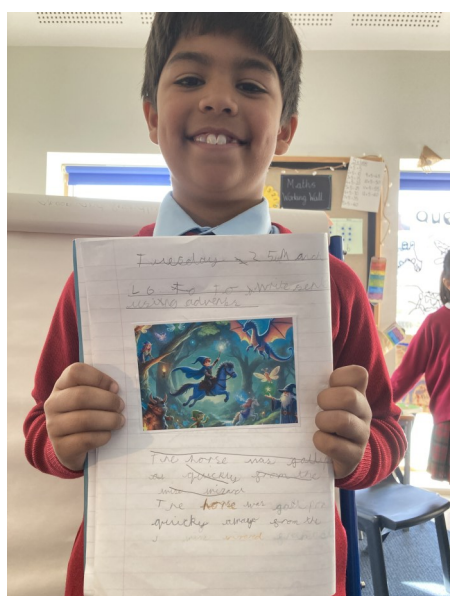
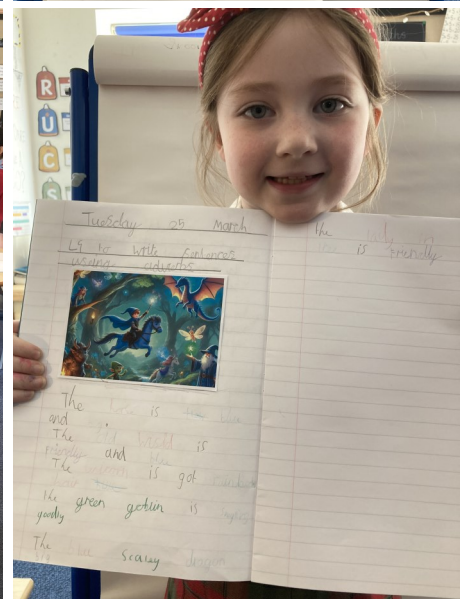
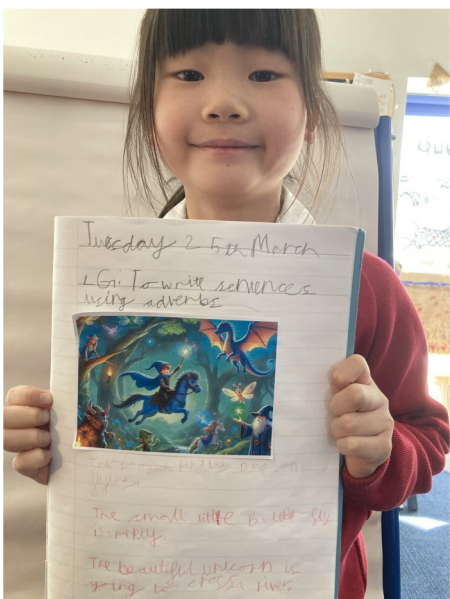
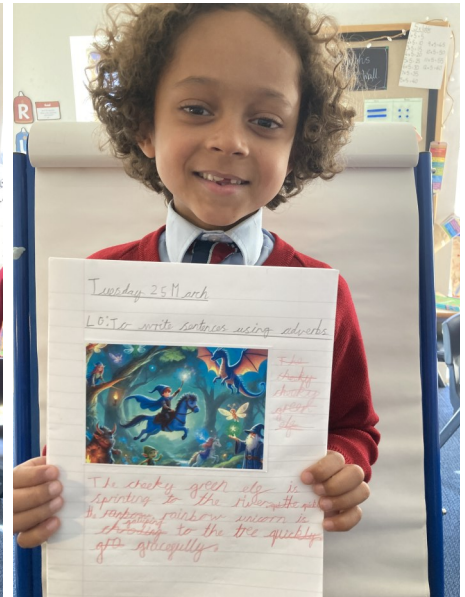
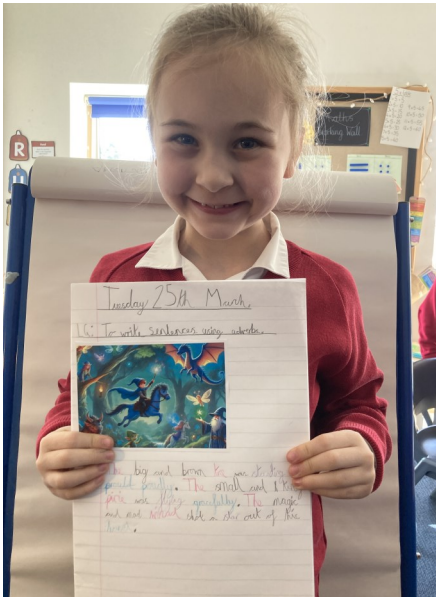
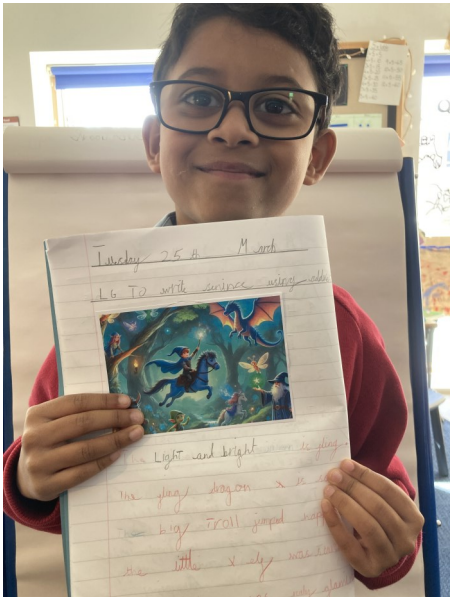
The children are learning vocabulary 'sous l'océan' which means under the sea. They already know le poisson (fish), le crabe (the crab), l'étoile de mer (the starfish) and l'hippocampe (the seahorse). The new word they have learnt is le poulpe (octopus). We are proud that they are learning so much French vocabulary.





## Adverbs

The Year 2 children have been adding adverbs to sentences to develop their writing. The children have impressed Mr Davies and Mrs Jennings by not only adding adverbs but two adjectives and even a conjunction!





## Nursery

The Nursery children have welcomed Spring as the weather gets warmer and the days longer. They have enjoyed listening to a number of Spring stories and playing outside in the garden.







### Pre-Prep Finish Times w/c 31st April

Nursery—3pm

Reception—Year 2—3.30pm

Prep—3.45pm

**Please note there will be no after school care on Friday 4th April**

### After School Care

To book After School Care for the first few weeks back after the holidays, [please complete this form by Monday 21st April](#).

### Clubs

Please note there are no clubs next week. After school care is available as usual Monday-Thursday.

### 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.

### Term Dates

#### Spring Term, 2025

Finish	Friday, 4th April 2025 (after school)
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#### Summer Term, 2025

Pupils Return	Wednesday, 23rd April 2025
Bank Holiday	Monday, 5th May 2025
Half Term Begins	Thursday, 22nd May 2025 (after school)
Pupils Return	Monday, 2nd June 2025
Finish	Thursday, 3rd July 2025 (after Prize Giving)

### **Reduce- Reuse- Recycle**



### **New Pre-Loved Uniform Shed!**

YPSSC are excited to announce our Pre-Loved Uniform Shed is officially up and running!

**We are located near to the entrance for Nursery on the Pre Prep site.**



**We provide & Collect Pre-Loved Uniform**

**Summer- Winter – PE – Games – Accessories**

**Nursery, Pre-Prep, Prep, Senior & Sixth Form**

Come and have a browse-The shed will be manned periodically throughout the week by volunteers and enquiries can still be sent by email or **classlist**.

[ypssc@yarmschool.org](mailto:ypssc@yarmschool.org)

[Ypssc.co.uk](http://Ypssc.co.uk)

**You can find the Yarm School Calendar by clicking here**





## Walk Right Back

**Saturday 17th May, 7.30pm**

Immerse yourself in a wave of pure rock and roll nostalgia with Walk Right Back! Presented by the creators of That'll Be The Day, this show recounts the tale of those two Kentucky boys who created unparalleled vocal magic – The Everly Brothers.

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



## The Legend of Barry White—Let the Music Play

**Thursday 17th July, 7.30pm**

The only UK touring show dedicated to the maestro and legend, Barry White! Direct from the USA, a critically-acclaimed revue featuring the incredible vocalist William Hicks also known as “the big man with the big voice” 100 million records sold, 20 gold and 10 platinum singles – the world loves Barry White and Barry White loved the world.

<https://www.thepaaonline.org/whats-on/the-legend-of-barry-white-let-the-music-play/>



## Dinosaur Adventure Live

**Tuesday 31st July, 3pm and 4.30pm**

When a satellite tasked with controlling the island's weather systems malfunctions, chaos erupts. The island's tropical climate spirals leading to one big JURASSIC STORM. If not stopped, it will erase all existence of the island... forever! The mission: find the code hidden deep within the island, reboot the satellite and save the Dinosaurs before it's too late.

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