

Headlands Primary School: Monday 4th November 2024

Welcome back



We hope you have had a lovely half term and are ready for our very busy and exciting half term.

Neurodiversity

Mr Bromley and Mrs Allington are leading the school in developing provision for children with needs associated with neurodiversity, e.g. autism, ADHD, dyslexia. This is part of the CYC Partnerships for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) project.

As part of our ongoing work we have reviewed and developed our display and classroom environment policy. We have made the following adjustments to help reduce distractions and ensure our classroom displays are purposeful and neurodiversity friendly: displays use a neutral backing colour; pastel colours have replaced bold primary colours; work has been removed from around the interactive white boards to aid concentration; any information on displays is purposeful and clearly visible for children.

In addition to our classroom environments, we have developed our corridor displays so that the emphasis is on the display content, rather than an overwhelming array of colours. Research strongly indicates that these changes will allow all children learn in a less distracting, more focused environment. Please have a look at our new style of displays at upcoming Parents Evenings.



Asda rewards cash pots. Between now and 30th November every time a customer shops with Asda using the rewards app, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of their shop to a chosen school. You need to download the Asda rewards app and choose Headlands Primary School cash pot. We were currently at £376.90 with 26 days to go!

PTA Disco

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who made the disco a fantastic event for the children. We raised £506.00.

Thank you PTA

This year each class will have opportunity to use the School Woods with Mr Mulholland as well as the EYFS classes having Forest Schools each week. The PTA have kindly purchased a bell tent to support the sessions as well as the ELSA outdoor work.

PTA Bag2School: Thursday 7th November



Please start gathering your items of unwanted clothing ready for our collection on Thursday.

Please drop off your bags at school on Thursday 7th November 8.30-9.00am to the PTA members in the scooter area.

Last year we were able to purchase fabulous resources for the children from the proceeds.

PTA Panto tickets

Panto tickets will be able to collect from the PTA before and after school this week starting on Tuesday for those who purchased them. The PTA will be near the scooter area.

What is my child learning about this half term?



The school's curriculum is published on the school website and an overview of the topics taught throughout the year is provided on each year groups web pages.

Here are the wonderful topics coming up this half term for the children to enjoy. You can support your child at home through visiting the local library, researching on the internet or digging out any reference books.

EYFS: People who help us/ Let's celebrate

Year 1/2: Author Study: Eric Carle

Year 3/4: Ancient Egyptians

Year 5/6: Romans

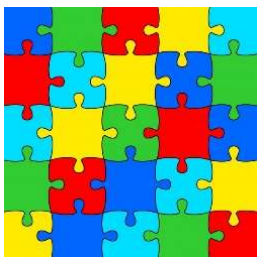
Supporting children's wider personal development



This half term we are focussing on the value **INDEPENDENCE**.

We will be exploring what this means to us in our time of class reflection and school assemblies.

PSHE



We are continuing to follow the 'Jigsaw' scheme of work during our weekly PSHE sessions.

This half term, our unit is: **celebrating differences**. On the website, in the curriculum area, you will find a key vocabulary for each of the year groups. Here you will also find further information about the scheme of work. If you have any further questions or queries, please contact Mrs Benson (PSHE lead)

2025 Reception places at Headlands Primary School: Deadline 15th January 2025



Admissions for Reception 2025 starters for Headlands Primary School is via the City of York Council website:

<https://www.york.gov.uk/guide-parents-1/starting-primary-infant-school-first-time>

Any families interested in applying who were unable to attend our Open Evening are invited to visit the school. Please make an appointment with the School Office.

The school prospectus is also available via the school website:

<https://www.headlandsprimary.org.uk/page/?title=School+Prospectus&pid=36>

Kitchen Assistant Vacancy

There is currently a vacancy for a kitchen assistant in our school kitchen.

- 17 hours per week
- £11.44 per hour
- 38 weeks per year
- To commence asap pending DBS check

Please contact the school office with your details and they will pass this on to Debbie the cook.

Dates for your diary

04.11.2024: School opens

07.11.2024: Year 3/4 pedestrian training

07.11.2024: Parent Support Group 3/5

07.11.2024: PTA Bag2School collection 8.30-9.00 drop off in scooter area

07.11.2024: East Barnby Residential Year 6 meeting in Hall 5.30-6.00pm

13.11.2024: Parents Evening 3.45-7.00pm

14.11.2024: Parent Support Group 4/5

15.11.2024: Children in Need

19.11.2024: Parents Evening 3.45-7.00pm

21.11.2024: Parents Evening 3.45-7.00pm

29.11.2024: PTA non uniform day with KS1 donations of chocolate and KS2 donations of bottles



Best wishes,
Headlands Primary School



Toy Bank

Drop off your child's clean unwanted toys, books or games and pick up another a few days later!

DROP OFF POINTS:

MONDAY MONKEYS PLAYGROUP 25TH NOV 10AM

HAXBY AND WIGGINTON METHODIST CHURCH:

9.30-4PM THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

Pick up another toy or two on Sunday 1st December 1pm-4pm
It's free but any donations will go to Refugee Action York.
Don't have anything to hand in? Come and find something anyway!



**HAXBY AND WIGGINTON
METHODIST CHURCH**



If you have any queries, please contact Lorraine Jones our Family Worker on 07850 631168 or email at families@hwmc.org.uk

Christmas Collection Drop off day

Thursday November 28th 9.30am-4pm
Haxby and Wigginton Methodist Church

Say hello to Santa!



ITEMS NEEDED:

Salvation Army: New toys and gifts for children (especially aged 8 and over) and their parents.
Haxby Food Share need items for hampers: Christmas Crackers, Christmas sweets/chocolate, crisps, biscuits for cheese, yorkshire pudding mix, mince pies, Christmas pudding, custard, cranberry jelly, gravy pots/granules, tinned veg, fresh orange juice. Gluten free or vegan items. Or cash donations to buy fresh items.

