

## Headlands Primary School: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025

### Welcome back



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

## Headlands Primary School Open Evening for Reception Parents 2026/2027



On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October we held our Open Evening for Parents of Reception children starting September 2026 and 2027.

A huge thank you to our School Ambassadors and Headlands Team who were amazing. Some children undertook activities to provide a flavour of the richness of learning opportunities such as music, art and IT, while others talked confidently about their role and responsibilities in school such as being a digital leader and play leader.

Thank you to Mrs Nunn for the delicious food on offer, PTA for their stall, Total Sports for showcasing their wrap around care and holiday clubs, Haxby Playgroup for opening up their setting and the Parent Baby Group, as well as all the staff who stayed to celebrate the richness that Headlands has to offer.



### Attendance



Good attendance is extremely important to enable your child to learn and achieve. Being in school every day allows consistency in their learning and helps them develop confidence and friendships. Encouraging and promoting good attendance is important for your child's wellbeing as well as academic development.

The DFE and Local Authority have had a very strong focus on improving school attendance. They are aiming for 90% attendance for every child from Reception to Year 6.

Please endeavour to make any appointments out of school hours and our term dates are published on the school website for 2025-2026 to help families book holidays outside of the school term dates:

<https://www.headlandsprimary.org.uk/page/?title=School+Dates+and+Times&pid=47>

At our Parents Evenings this term we will be sharing and celebrating your child's attendance.

## 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

Year 1/2: 'The Ahlbergs': an author study

Year 3/4: Super Sixties

Year 5/6: Around the world

## 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.

## Bonfire Night: Special school lunch menu

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November we will be having a special lunch menu to celebrate Bonfire Night.



- \***BANG** sausage in a bun
- \***WHOOSH** Southern fried burger in a bun
- \***SPARKLER** Fries
- Vegetables or baked beans
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- \***EXPLODING** jacket potato
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- \***WHIZZ** Tuna sandwich
- 
- \***CRACKLING** Flapjack



## Mellors 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bash: Special party lunch

Please order your special luncheon by Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November

## PTA Bag2School: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November



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

Please drop off your bags at school on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

## Phunky Foods Cooking Workshop – KS1

An expression of interest letter was sent home before half term to KS1 parents about the upcoming Phunky Foods Parent and Child Cooking Workshop. If you haven't already done so, we encourage parents to respond by **Friday 7th November**. We're looking forward to a fun, hands-on cooking session for both the children and parents!

## 2026 Reception places at Headlands Primary School: Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026



Admissions for Reception 2026 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 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=Admissions&pid=25>



## Haxby Playgroup at Headlands Primary

Spaces are currently available at Haxby Playground which is based at Headlands Primary School. For further details please ring 01904 768966 or refer to the website:

<http://www.haxbyplaygroups.org.uk/>

## Dates for your diary

03.11.2025: School re-opens

03.11.2025: Year 1/2 Alan Ahlberg dressing up day

05.11.2025: Special Bonfire celebration lunch

06.11.2025: PTA Bag2school collection

12.11.2025: Parents evening 3.35-7.00pm

13.11.2025: Mellors 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bash (Special party lunch)

18.11.2025: Parents evening 3.45-7.00pm

20.11.2025: Parents evening 3.45-7.00pm

28.11.2025: PTA Non Uniform Day

04.12.2025: Super Sixties year 34 dress up day

04.12.2025: House Treat

09.12.2025: KS1 Performance 2.00pm

09.12.2025: EYFS Christmas Celebration 6.00pm

10.12.2025: EYFS Christmas Celebration 2.00pm

10.12.2025: KS1 Performance 6.00pm

11.12.2025: KS1 Performance 6.00pm

15.12.2025: Carol Service in St. Mary's Church, Haxby 5.45pm

- 17.12.2025: Christmas dinner and wear your Christmas jumper
- 18.12.2025: Trophy and award assembly
- 19.12.2025: Break up for the Christmas break
- 05.01.2026: School Closed as Training Day
- 06.01.2026: School opens



Best wishes,  
Headlands Primary School

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**HEADLANDS**  
**DODGEBALL CLUB**  
**YEARS 3-6**

**FRIDAY MORNING,**  
**8-8:55AM,**

**START DATE:**  
**7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025**

**BOOK ONLINE;**  
**WWW.TOTALSPORTSLIMITED.CO.UK**

**Luke Charters MP'S**  
**2025 Christmas Card Competition**

**Theme: An International Christmas in York. Share how different cultures celebrate Christmas!**

**Send entries to: PO Box 894, York, YO31 6HP**

**Deadline: Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

**Luke Charters MP**  
**YORK OUTER**

**The winner's design will be featured on Luke's Christmas Card.**