

Headlands Primary School: Monday 12th January 2026

EYFS and KS1 School dinner orders

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we have worked with, and now addressed, the ordering and payment issues regarding EYFS and KS1 school meals for this week. All payments made will be refunded by the end of this week.

Please may you kindly log on to order this week's dinners by midnight tonight, so that the school cook may prepare the appropriate meals ready for Tuesday lunchtime service. Thank you.

Visiting Author to school



This morning as part of our school story telling week, we were delighted to welcome local author Felicity Wade to our EYFS/ KS1 assembly.

She read her book 'Curly Cloud' and led an activity with the children around sharing their emotions. A leaflet will go home this week in your child's book packet, if you would like to find out more about Felicity and her book.



PYJAMARAMA event



Thank you for booking your child's place for our Pyjamarama event to be held on Wednesday 14th January 5.00-6.00pm.

Children are invited to come in their pyjamas and bring their favourite teddy and blanket with them. Children may also bring a torch and a favourite book to read with a friend if they wish.



Parents are asked to bring their child to the main entrance from 4.50pm. All children must be collected promptly at 6pm. Parents will be asked to walk to the Key Stage Two playground where they will then walk through to the school hall to collect their child and leave through the school's main entrance. There will be staff on hand to direct parents to the correct place.

School Census Day: Reception and Key Stage One School Dinners



All children in Reception and Year1/2 classes are entitled to a free school meal but not everyone takes up this offer. In order for the school to pay for this service we receive funding for next year from the Government based on the number of Reception and Year 1/2 children who have a school dinner on the census day in October and January. If a child does not have a hot dinner on this day but then subsequently takes the free meal for the rest of the year school receives no funding for this.

Census day is when the Local Authorities collect information electronically from every school in their area, partly to guide them in planning and funding. They collect details such as pupil numbers, numbers of pupils with Special Educational Needs, entitled to Pupil Premium funding, entitled to Free School Meals, attendance information and so forth. One thing in particular they are looking at this term is the number of children taking the Universal Infant Free School Meal (UIFSM), to provide schools with appropriate funding for this service for the next year.

Please would you consider sending your child for a hot dinner **this Thursday**. The School Office will order a hot meal for all Reception and Year 1/2 children on that day, but you can still send in a packed lunch with your child, although they could maybe try a little of the school lunch too. Hopefully it will also create some enthusiasm amongst the children who don't normally take the meals and lead to more of them eating over the rest of the school year. You can order yourself for your child using the School Money System, if you prefer. Thank you.

Year 5/6 NeuroStars Club



The 'NeuroStars' club begins today with a new group of children. The club is open to Year 5/6 pupils experiencing neurodivergence (no diagnosis necessary) with a space to meet with like-minded individuals, talk about neurodiversity and take part in a fun and practical activity each week. Some of the activities last term were making fruit grinch kebabs and a creating a booklet for other children on dyslexia. This club will focus on promoting the strengths of individuals and the positives of neurodiversity. The club will be run by Mrs Allington and teaching assistant, Mrs Thomas on a Monday afternoon during the school day and will run for the Spring term.

YEAR 6 SATS meeting

We have brought the date of the Year 6 SATS meeting forward to Thursday 22nd January to enable parents to view the relevant materials and revision books on offer.

The meeting for parents will be held 3.40-4.15 by the Year 6 teaching team. A separate room will be provided and supervised for any accompanying children.

Maths workshops



Don't forget to book a place on our Maths Workshops run by your child's Maths teacher.

We hope the Maths workshops will be a lovely way to share and celebrate the love of maths! **You need to BOOK** your attendance using the link on the year group letters.

- Y5/6 on Monday 26th January 2026 (3.40pm)
- Y3/4 on Tuesday 27th January 2026 (3.40pm)
- EYFS on Tuesday 27th January 2026 (9.00-10.00)
- Y1/2 on Wednesday 28th January 2026 (3.40pm)
- EYFS on Thursday 29th January 2026 (9.00-10.00)

Aspirations Day – Friday 30th January



The School Council would like to hold an 'Aspirations Day' for the whole school.

As part of our half-term key value focus on "Aspirations", we will therefore be holding an Aspirations Day in school on Friday 30th January.

During our PSHE unit, we have been discussing hopes and dreams, and on the day we would like to spend time talking with the children about what they aspire to be when they are older. If they wish, children are welcome to come into school dressed as someone or something they aspire to be in the future. For example:

- A doctor
- A scientist
- A vet

- A pop star
- A sports person

Alternatively, children may bring an item into school that reflects or explains their aspirations, such as:

- A book
- An object related to their chosen career
- Information they have found on the internet

We would like to encourage all children to join in and celebrate their ambitions. Thank you for your continued support—we are really looking forward to an inspiring day!

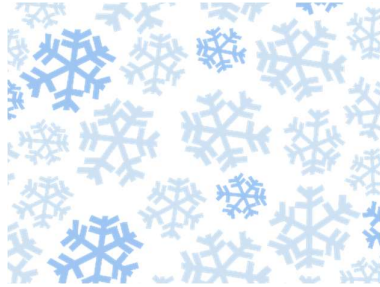
SEND Central January events



Please click on the link below to see the events running this January in York.

<https://www.yorksend.org/parents/send-central/4#jan>

Potential school closure due to weather



In times of ice and snow, the priority is the safety and wellbeing of children, parents and staff. If you are able to transport your child safely, please ensure that they are appropriately dressed for the cold and wet weather.

If the decision is made to close school, a message will be placed on the school's website: www.headlandsprimary.org.uk and a text message sent out.

Dates for your diary

- 14.01.2026: Pyjamarama
- 22.01.2026: Year 3/4 visit to The Deep
- 22.01.2025: Panathlon
- 22.01.2025: Year 6 SATS meeting
- 26.01.2026: Year 5/6 Maths workshop
- 27.01.2026: Year 3/4 Maths workshop
- 27.01.2026: EYFS Maths workshop
- 28.01.2026: Year 1/2 Maths workshop
- 29.01.2026: EYFS Maths workshop
- 30.01.2026: Aspirations Day



Best wishes,
Headlands Primary School