

Headlands Primary School: Monday 29th June 2026

PTA Summer Raffle

The summer raffle is now LIVE and tickets are available to buy online until 4.59pm on 7 July. There are almost 50 prizes to be won including festival tickets and day out vouchers. All funds raised go straight back into the school. <https://raffall.com/424738/enter-raffle-to-win-headlands-primary-school-summer-raffle-hosted-by-headlandsprimarypta>

Year 5/6 performance 'Let Loose'

If you have any unwanted tickets, require a swap, or would like an additional ticket, please text **Mrs Clare Ahmad on 07712044325**. She is happy to be contacted at any time and help redistribute unwanted tickets even up to the performance as she may have parents on a 'waiting list'. For those with accessibility requirements, please contact Clare as soon as possible.

Sports Day



Weather permitting KS2 sports day will be held on Tuesday 7th July and EYFS/KS1 Sports Day on Thursday 9th July at 10.00am. Reserve dates are the following week.

Please may all spectators wait at the inner black gate at the KS1 playground and the gate will open at 9.50am. Please make your way onto the school field and stay within the designated spectator zone.

To ensure our sports days run smoothly; please follow our golden guidelines below.

- Please ensure your child is in their PE kit and all jewellery removed.
- Please check your child has filled their named water bottle ready for the day ahead.
- The event is weather dependent and a decision will be made at 9am if Sports Day is postponed. School will send a text message if it is cancelled for the day– please do not phone school.
- You are allowed to take a photograph or video of your child. These are for personal use only and are not allowed to be shared on any social media.
- Part one of the sports day is a rotation of activities – please wait near the After School Club building until all the children are in place, then move around the outside of the circuit near your child's group when invited to do so. Please do not cross the middle of the circuit.
- Part two will be races on the track – please sit or stand on the school-side behind any flags or barriers to keep the children separate from spectators
- Parents must not cross the track to where the children are seated.
- At the end of the Sports Day we would ask that parents vacate the school field enabling teachers and children to return into school.

We hope the weather will be kind and we are all able to enjoy our Sports Day.

School photographs

A polite reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is Sunday 5th July 2026.

Order through the Tempest website using your unique link that was emailed to you, or if you have received paper order forms visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk

If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (**option 5**).

Advance notice: Year 6 Leavers Assembly



The Year 6 Leavers Assembly will start at **2.00pm** on Friday 17th July. A letter and tickets will follow shortly. After the assembly, the Year 6 children are allowed to go home early with their parent/ accompanying adult. The Year 5 children will return to their class for their normal end of day procedure. We look forward to celebrating their wonderful achievements over the years.

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Staffing update

At the end of this term Mrs Thomas (Teaching Assistant) will be leaving Headlands to take up a new position at Yearsley Grove Primary School, and Miss Cheung (Office support) is moving onto to new things. We thank them for their work in supporting the school and wish them both all the very best in their new adventures ahead.

Explore York - Summer Reading Challenge 2026



This summer's theme is Read to the Beat! and it will celebrate the joy and power of music to inspire us to move and connect – all through the magic of reading. The Challenge is being brought to life with illustrations by award-winning author and illustrator Harry Woodgate. Children aged 4-11 are encouraged to read six books over the summer.

Children can sign up to the Challenge at their local library from Saturday 11th July!

Dates for your diary

29.06.2026: 6pm Year 5/6 performance
30.06.2026: 6pm Year 5/6 performance
01.07.2026: Whole school transition day
01.07.2026: Class lists
03.07.2026: Year 1/2 visit to Lotherton Hall
06.07.2026: EYFS to The Yorkshire Arboretum
07.07.2026: KS2 Sports Day 10am
07.07.2026: Sports Day Luncheon
08.07.2026: Meet your new teacher 3.45-4.10pm
09.07.2026: KS1 Sports Day 10am
10.07.2026: Reports out
14.07.2026: Reserve KS2 Sports Day 10am
15.07.2026: Award Assembly
16.07.2026: Reserve KS1 Sports Day 10am
17.07.2026: Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2.00pm
17.07.2026: School breaks up for the summer holidays
07.09.2026: School closed for staff training
08.09.2026: School opens



Best wishes,
Headlands Primary School

Haxby Playgroups

Headlands Preschool

'Play is essential for children's development, building their confidence as they learn to explore, relate to others, set their own goals and solve problems. Children learn by leading their own play, and by taking part in play which is guided by adults.'

Statutory framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage.

WHAT WE OFFER:

- ✓ Long serving and highly skilled team of staff
- ✓ Expertise in speech and language
- ✓ Outdoor play
- ✓ Real life experiences
- ✓ Supportive transitions to school
- ✓ Open 9 until 3 term time only

Spaces now available from September 2026!

TESTIMONIALS:

'My child has loved his time at HPG and thrived in your care. His interests have been encouraged and he has been supported in all areas of his development. HPG is really special where it feels like all the children are cherished.'

'HPG is a wonderful setting where my child feels happy, nurtured and supported in every aspect of his learning and development. The staff are incredible and help the children grow in independence'

2, 3 and 4 year old funding accepted!

Headlands Preschool: 01904 768966

For more information visit:
www.haxbyplaygroups.org.uk

Creative Writing Together

Our Creative Writing Together programme facilitates children, parents and carers to co-construct creative writing, with a focus on writing from different perspectives.

From our successful pilot programmes, we know that children and parents writing together has a positive impact on relationships, mental health, and enjoyment of writing.

"It helped us to connect in a different, and very productive, way."

Penny, parent participant

Want to be involved?
Do you have a child aged between 7 and 16? We are seeking expressions of interest from parents and children to participate in our programmes, which will take place after school in York libraries in autumn, spring and summer terms 2026-2027.

What's involved?

- Our programmes are completely FREE
- Each programme has 8 workshops
- Workshops will be run by experienced authors and teachers
- We provide all resources and refreshments free of charge
- The programmes are part of a cutting-edge research project
- You have the option to explore AI for creative writing

The programmes will run from 3.30-5pm. Provisional programme start dates are:

Haxby & Wigginton Library
Wednesday 30th September

Acomb Explore Library
Tuesday 19th January

Clifton Explore Library
Tuesday 6th April

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Libraries and Archives

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Arts and Humanities Research Council

To express an interest in the York programme, please email Professor Tom Dobson:

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