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Headteacher Newsletter

Don't forget to tune into Compass FM on Christmas day to hear us sing 'Merry Christmas Everyone' at 10:15am.

Spring Projects

Each of our projects are designed with an essential question. Essential questions for projects create authentic learning scenarios to engage, motivate, and help our children guide themselves and provide a purpose for learning.

The most engaging questions are open-ended and require investigation or research in order to answer. They also give students choice by allowing them to align their learning with their own passions and interests.

Next term's essential questions are:

EYFS: How can we share our love of books?

Year 1: How can we reach for the stars?

Year 2: How can we be sensory designers?

Year 3: How can we bake a difference?

Year 4: How long will polar bear's footprints last?

Year 5: How can empathy break down walls?

Year 6: Were the Ancient Greeks geeks?

If you think you can help in any way with any project then please get in touch!



A word from the head...

What a very busy term we have had! The pupils and staff have worked so very hard and have produced some amazing projects from designing 1960's inspired costumes for a fashion show to finding our communities' favourite nursery rhyme.

It has also been an eventful term for our classrooms too; we had them boarded out to enable them to be as immersive as possible and we also had new interactive white boards fitted. Our bid for phase two of the roof has now been submitted so keep your fingers crossed for us!

Lastly a huge thank you for all of your support, from learning Christmas concert lines to supporting our events, fundraising and exhibitions, we really do appreciate you! I hope you have a very Merry Christmas and are able to enjoy lots of lovely family time together. See you rested and ready to go in 2019!

Mrs. Albery

Staffing Update... As you may know Miss Fleet and Mrs Walton are currently on maternity leave. Miss Fleet welcomed a baby boy and Mrs Walton welcomed a baby girl into their families. We also welcome Miss Usmani to the Key Stage One team as a 1:1 teaching assistant.

The Nest...

A lot of work has gone into converting an old ICT suite into 'The Nest' over the last term. It is a really gorgeous, regulating, therapeutic space that is going to be used in lots of different ways. It includes resources such as; a climbing wall, hammock chair, aromatherapy, a 'Read Yourself Well' library as well as being kitted out for lots of different interventions. Sheena, our reflexologist will be using it to offer 1:1 nurturing sessions with parents and staff. Kate Margaron will also be using it for wellbeing interventions with children and parents – our staff are also being trained on using the space with children. Look out for your invite to the official opening in the new year.



Our amazing results...

As you may have seen in the press, the 2018 school league tables have now been released using last year's KS2 SATs data. You can view ours by using this link: <https://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk/school/138542/yarborough-academy>. We have done amazingly well and our results mean that our wonderful school is in the top five schools in North East Lincolnshire and the top 20% in the country for progress.

Nursery and wrap around care...

We have been working very hard with extending the before and after school care we offer families. As of January we will be offering breakfast and after school club from 7:30am until 6:00pm for pupils from Nursery to Year 6.

We have also extended the hours we offer to Nursery pupils. At the moment we only offer either mornings or afternoons but as of January we will be offering full days and the full 30 hours of Nursery childcare that working families get. We have places available – if you are interested in the new before and after school clubs or our Nursery then please contact the school office.

Pupil Premium...

The Government is giving money to schools to help children from lower income families do their very best. This funding is called a 'Pupil Premium'. If you qualify, your child/children can receive free school meals, a free out of school club (e.g. Football, Art, Cookery club etc.) reduced rates for school trips and a free school jumper each year.

For every child registered, Yarborough Academy receives £1,320 this year. This additional funding allows us to provide an even better education for your child through the purchase of additional resources or staff to support learning.



Are you eligible?

You can register your child for Free School Meals if you receive any of these benefits:
Income Support

Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

Income-related Employment and Support Allowance

Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit

Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190

Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Scan the code to fill out an application.

