



April 2019

New York Primary School

What a fantastic start back after the Easter Break. Thank you so much for all your support with egg and bonnet decorating entries and of course coming to support our children with their Easter Assemblies. EYFS and KS1 were delightful and engaged us with facts and details about Spring and the Easter Story. The singing from these young children was very impressive and staff have remarked on how well they moved into place and knew their parts - so much progression! KS2 told the Easter Story in various ways demonstrating the links to other areas of the curriculum and including Art and Drama. The speaking and singing was loud and clear and this event is a fine example of how increasingly mature and confident our KS2 pupils are becoming.

Mrs Shaw

### Attendance

Our current whole school attendance is 95.7% which is below our target of 96.5%.

w/c	Whole School	Winning Class	% (of winning class)
01/04/19	94.4%	5LM 11JG	98.8%
22/04/19	95.7%	5LM	99%

### OPAL

We continue to develop our outdoor provision and are very grateful to those of you who continue to provide us with resources. Should you have any spare toys, particularly small cars etc. we would welcome them.



## Year 1 trip to St Mary's Lighthouse

On Thursday 4th April, Year 1 visited St Mary's Lighthouse as part of their Dinosaur and Fossil's topic. We had a fantastic day investigating the rock



pools, creating sand art and were even lucky enough to find our own fossils! Behaviour was impeccable and we were very impressed with the knowledge displayed by children who have thoroughly enjoyed learning about dinosaurs!



## Vapes

When smoking or using vapes please do so away from the school gates. I have received a number of complaints from parents that they are having to walk their child through clouds of smoke and vapour to access the school yard. Not only can this be unpleasant but it can trigger asthma attacks in adults and children and a number of pupils have needed to access an inhaler upon arrival in school as a result of this.

## Easter Egg and Bonnet Competition

On Thursday 25th April, we held a competition for the best decorated Easter Egg and Easter bonnet. We had an incredible number of very creative entries making it very tricky for our judges to choose our winners! The entries stood on display in our hall all week and we have all loved having the chance to admire them!



## EYFS Welly Waddle



On Wednesday 24th April all of EYFS headed off on our Easter Egg Welly Waddle. We had a fabulous turn out from families and friends to support us and we all headed off to Hilltop after listening to We're Going on an Egg Hunt. Along the way we hopped, danced and skipped following the clues to find our treats.

When we got back to school we had to put together our jigsaw pieces to work out where to our eggs were hidden.

## New York Sporting News

### Girls' Football

Our girls team travelled to Valley Gardens for 2 matches. We showed determination and teamwork, playing in some awful weather conditions - wind and hailstones!

### Girls' Football Festival at Northumbria University

On Thursday 4th April our girls football team attended at football festival ran by Newcastle United Foundation. We played 4 matches, winning 2, drawing 1 and losing 1. We showed outstanding teamwork and sportsmanship and were commended by coaches for our behaviour.



## Dates for your diary

Wednesday 8th May—EYFS Police visit

Monday 20th May - Friday 24th May, 15:15 and 16:15—  
Scholastic Book Fair

Monday 13th May—Friday 16th May—KS2 SATS Week

Monday 13th May—Friday 24th May—KSI SATS

Thursday 23rd May—Book Look, 9.15—11 and 2.30—3.15

Monday 27th May—May Half Term

Monday 3rd June— Children return to school

### Community

The next community/resident meeting will be held on 7th May at 6.00 This is a great opportunity to come along and meet with representatives from the police and local councillors to discuss what is going well on the estate and surrounding area and what improvements you would like to see. Pick up a flier from the school office.

### Traffic

When accessing school by car please take extra care and watch your speed. A number of vehicles have been witnessed speeding along the already busy road towards school, with one car literally screeching to a halt! Remember to park respectfully and not block resident access and parking is prohibited in front of the school gates. Thankyou.

### Mysterious Package

Mrs Shaw received a mysterious package on Tuesday 30th April! We are all very excited for the contents to be revealed on Thursday 9th May. Follow @nypselmer to learn more!

