



Message from Mrs Shaw

Although this has been a shorter half term we have been delighted to begin Summer Term feeling as though much is back to normal. We have been pleased to welcome parents into consultation afternoons and evenings and we were thrilled with the excellent response to our pupil Book Look (last term). Little gives us greater pleasure in school than to observe our pupils chatting proudly to their family members about their work. Please look out for the Summer Book Look! We are promoting our school Nursery as we still have available places for September. If you know anyone who is considering a Nursery place for their child we would be delighted to show them around. We have 2 super banners advertising our Nursery provision so look out for these appearing on the fence! We also have an attendance information banner displayed to promote the importance of attending school and the adverse impact on pupil learning and socialisation that missing school has on children.

Please note that Monday 6th June is a teacher training day and school will not open until Tuesday 7th June.

Attendance

Our current whole school attendance is 93.3% which is below our target of 96.5%.

W/C	Whole School	Winning Class	% (of winning class)
25/4	94.6%	2BK	100%
2/5	95.9%	6JP/AP, 7AW	100%
9/5	93.3%	13JG	100%
16/5	94.0	JP/AP	97%



Computing Workshops

This half term, Year 4 worked with Mr Brown to learn how to use the micro:bits. We used our Electricity knowledge from Science to connect the parts to our laptops using wires. We lit up our sparkles with a variety of colours and used different codes to create patterns with the lights! We thoroughly enjoyed the workshops and Mr Brown was very impressed with our Computing skills.



Eco Team



Our Nature team have been working alongside Demmi from Northumberland Wildlife trust and they have been lucky enough to be asked to go along to a day trip to Otterburn. The Children were able to find out some information about the history of the Otterburn Battlefield and dress up as if they were in the battles and participate in a battle of their own. We were then able to go and explore the area and wildlife and learn some photography skills of the nature around us.

Team Nature have recently been awarded a further grant to make some fantastic changes to our woodlands space. We will have a template of the woodlands going out for all children to have the opportunity to draw and make suggestions to what they would like to see in the woodlands space.

Conductive Music Workshops

In May, children in Year 5 enjoyed a workshop from Conductive Music. During the workshop, they learnt the skills of coding with Micro:Bits and from this were able to make music! Children had to code the correct notes in order to create the music and looked at different sensors that the Micro:Bits had. By the end of the workshop, children were able to play "I'm a Believer" using the Micro:Bit!



Year 2 were also lucky enough to be part of the Conductive Music workshop. This involved making music using technology. The children were very excited to be able to play music using a 'Touch Me' midi instrument. It is connected to the computer and allows the children to make high and low sounds. They were able to play the piano on the computer using different parts of their body and even used crocodile clips to play music on pictures they had drawn using the graphite in the pencils!

SATs Week

On 9th-12th May Year 6 completed their SATs assessment week. Each child took this in their stride and completed the assessments with a calm and confident attitude. We were so impressed with their determination, methodology and resilience in every assessment- true New York attitude. We enjoyed an afternoon of sports and a film to relax after a challenging week.

Autism in Schools

New York Primary School is one of only 4 schools in North Tyneside to be part of the 'Autism in Schools Project' which involves training, school support and coffee mornings for parents of children on the SEND register. The project will benefit all children, not just those with autism and is there to support not just the children but parents too. We held our first coffee morning with the Parent Carer Forum on Wednesday 18th May and are looking forward to hosting another before the end of the summer term. Mrs Potter will keep parents informed.

Bikes for Health

We are excited to be taking part in the Bikes for Health project where pupils will experience physical and mental wellbeing by being active on 2 wheels. Pupils currently in Year 4 will have the opportunity to cycle regularly, supervised by trained specialists out and about in the local area. The bikes are ordered (in New York blue of course). If this is successful we hope to extend the offer over the year to other year groups.

This is a costly but very beneficial programme and we have used some of our 'raised funds' to pay for the bikes. This is only possible thanks to the generosity and support of our families when we host fundraisers, school fairs, performances, raffles etc. So thank you! If you want to know more please visit bike4health.org



bike4health

Year 3 visit to Hindu Temple
On Wednesday 18th May, Year 3 visited the Iskcon Temple as part of their Hinduism topic. Children came up with a range of thoughtful questions that they were able to ask the pujari, which is a Hindu temple priest. We enjoyed wearing some traditional clothing and using instruments used during rituals and prayer time.



Year 5 visit to Grimsby

On Thursday 26th May, Year 5 ventured to Grimsby to explore the Grimsby Heritage centre. There we explored and experienced what life was like as a fisherman in the 1950's. We toured the Tiger Ross and enjoyed looking around the museum. Fishermen from North Shields Fisherman's Heritage Project joined us on the trip and we were waved off by Charlie Hardwick from Emmerdale! All in all this was such an exciting opportunity for the children and we look forward to making further links with the Heritage Centre in the future.



NU:STEM Workshops

Nursery

This half term Nursery has been learning about Light and Shadows. Our introduction involved showing us that shadows are made when light passes through an object. We then discussed all of the different types of light that can create shadows. After that we decided to use a lamp and a sheet to create our own shadows and went into our yard to draw around our friends' shadows. On Tuesday 17th May our friend Mel from NUSTEM came into our class to extend our knowledge further. She shared a story called Black Rabbit which I think is one of our favourites now! Nursery really enjoyed exploring the tent with the torches. We are looking forward to seeing her again next half term to learn about Floating and Sinking.



Reception

On Monday 16th May we had a visit from Mel from NU:STEM to deliver a Light & Shadows workshop. We were in training to be lighting engineers. First she read us a story 'The Black Rabbit' and then we investigated light and shadow using shadow screens, special light writing paper and a special black tent.



Sports News

Year 5/6 Basketball

Year 5 and 6 have been lucky enough to receive extra coaching from the Newcastle Eagles. Year 6 are working towards their basketball festival at the Eagles arena, whereas Year 5 are still celebrating the success of their festival.

Year 6 Gymnastics

This half term we had a team represent New York for the first time ever at the Key Steps Gymnastics finals. Six Year 6 pupils had to learn and perfect a routine to perform to the judges, which they worked extremely hard to remember. At the competition, the children had the opportunity to go on some of the gymnastics equipment such as the bars and beam, before completing their routines, and we are proud to announce the team placed 4th out of 10 teams! Amazing for our first time entering.



Year 5/6 Girls Littleton League

On Wednesday 18th May our girls football team played their first 2 matches of the Littleton League at John Spence High School. They showed resilience, determination and teamwork - it was their first time playing together! They ended the night with a draw and a 1-0 win.



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Daily Active Mile

On Thursday 28th April along with many other schools throughout the United Kingdom we completed the Active Mile. Running one mile which equated to three laps of the field. Children of all ages took part and successfully completed the run. It was fantastic to see the sportsmanship, enthusiasm and encouragement on display throughout the day.



active mile 2022

Summer Fayre



Our Annual Summer Fayre is back!

Friday 1st July 2022
2:00 - 3:30

We need your donations

Raffle Prizes

Hamper
donations

Toys and
books

Come along and join us

Dates for your Diary

Dates for your diary Summer Term

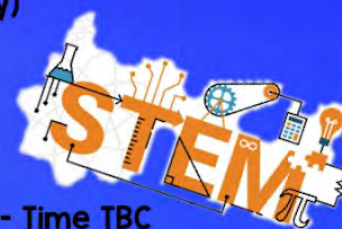


Queens Platinum Jubilee Garden Party Friday 27th May 2022
(children only)

STEM Week - 20th June 2022 (children only)

Summer Fayre - Friday 1st July

Shiremoor Treat - Saturday 2nd July



Nursery New Starters Meeting - Tuesday 5th July - Time TBC

Reception New Starters Meeting - Thursday 7th July 2:00pm &
5:00pm



Sports Day - Parents Invited
EYFS Sports Day - Tuesday 5th July am/pm
KSI Sports Day - Thursday 14th July - am
KS2 Sports Day - Thursday 14th July - pm

Mouth of the Tyne Festival - Saturday 9th July

Summer Festival - Friday 15th July

Beach Trips
Year 5 & Year 6 - 6th July
Year 3 & Year 4 - 7th July
EYFS - 12th July
Year 1 and Year 2 - 13th July

Reports sent home - 8th July

Transition Days 11th & 12th July



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