



Message from Mrs Shaw

As we draw to the end of our Spring term we have lots to celebrate and be thankful for and much to look forward to. Our careers week was a great success and has inspired many pupils to consider ambitious careers in medicine, engineering and technology. We were thrilled to welcome retired Commonwealth Gold medal gymnast, Craig Heap into school. Craig spoke about the importance of reading and how it has opened doors for him in his career. Our Tumble gymnasts also had a photo opportunity with him. We have been represented in many excellent events this term including dance, choir, football, hockey, Road Safety, opera and Lego. I am proud of all our achievements but am particularly pleased with yet another Lego trophy for outstanding core values at the Lego League competition. Our Year 4 pupils had a fantastic residential at High Borrans - thank you to staff who gave up a weekend. I know they all thoroughly enjoyed the visit. Thank you to those families who were able to attend our parent consultation evenings and hear positive things about their children. In the last 4 days I have been delighted with the Year 3 mini museum assembly and 3 super Easter singing assemblies, reminding us of the Easter story. Well Done Egg competition winners! Happy Easter everyone.

Attendance

Our current whole school attendance is 95.62% which is below our target of 96.5%.

| w/c | Whole school % | Winning class | % of winning class |
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| 26th Feb | 94.97 | 3GL | 98.26 |
| 4th March | 91.84 | 1SH | 97.83 |
| 11th March | 94.15 | 1SH | 100 |
| 18th March | 95.62 | 10BD/13JG | 99.50 |



High Borrans

On Friday 8th March, Year 4 pupils set off to High Borrans in the Lake District. Upon arriving at our beautiful home for the weekend, we made our beds and unpacked our bags before a quick hike around our surroundings, a delicious tea and a movie night! We slept soundly ready for all of the activities that were in store for us! We enjoyed hiking, ghyll scrambling, orienteering and canoeing as well as a challenging ropes course. Each pupil showed determination, resilience and independence throughout the weekend and we were so proud of them! We arrived home on Monday 11th with a suitcase full of muddy clothes and a head full of memories.



Road Safety Day

On the 20th March, Lynn from North Tyneside Council came to school to speak to different year groups about the importance of road safety.



EYFS Road Safety

In EYFS Lynne came to speak to us about how to keep ourselves safe on the roads. She taught us a catchy tune to remember to STOP, LOOK, LISTEN & THINK before we cross the road



KS1

We discussed how to keep ourselves safe when crossing a road with our grown ups. We also learnt about the different types of crossings.



In Year 4 and 5, Lynn spoke to children about the importance of crossing the road safely and showed a video with important messages such as not playing with a ball near a road, not crossing in front of a bus and ensuring you are not looking down at a mobile phone while crossing the road.



Year 6 Road Safety

In year six we spoke about the ways we can keep safe when we are walking to and from school. We spoke about how more of us will walk to school when we move on to high school, so we spoke about where there will be safe crossing spots at each of our high schools.



Year 3 Road Safety

This half term, Year 3 have been completing pedestrian crossing training with North Tyneside Council, finding out how to safely cross a road. We learnt the Green Cross Code and looked at safe places to cross. We crossed at different junctions and in between parked cars.



Comic Relief

On Friday 15th March, we came into school dressed from 'red to toe' to recognise Comic Relief. A huge thank you for all of your generous donations. We raised a fantastic £270.80 which is used to support those who need it within the UK and around the world.



Chicks

Nursery received a letter from Farmer Ben asking if we could help look after 10 eggs. We were so lucky to see the chicks hatch and observe first hand the life cycle of a chicken. We also learnt how to care for them and classes throughout school enjoyed coming to visit the chicks.



Careers Week 4th March - 8th March

As part of careers week, we invited visitors into school to talk about a range of careers and discussed our futures within our lessons. In Year 5, children were visited by Megan, a vet. In Year 4, children were visited by Graeme, who works in maintenance. Children across Key Stage 2 were visited by Bryan Dixon from Amber Education who talked about careers in filmmaking. All children were inspired during assemblies by Craig Heap - an Olympian athlete and by Johnny - an engineer from Freudenberg.

We encourage children to think about their future and what they would like to do when they are older. What does your child aspire to be?



Year 5 Goblin Kit Car Engineers

The Year 5 Goblin kit car team met three weeks ago to complete the chassis for the cars. They checked all electric cabling and performed a mini scrutiny on the car. Following this we practised our driving skills on the yard.



International Maths Day

We celebrated International Maths Day as a whole school on Thursday 14th March. In our Maths lessons, we celebrated our maths skills by completing a range of games and problem solving activities. We love Maths at New York Primary School and enjoy having a day focused around these skills!



World Book Day

In Year 1 we enjoyed sharing our books from home with our friends. Thank you to Year 5 who joined us to read our favourite stories and to Miss Drake for being our secret reader at the end of the day.



In Reception we spent the day sharing stories. We brought our favourite books from home and played a game of Guess Who (loves this book) and enjoyed a story telling session with Year 5 in the hall, all cosy in our pjs.



In Year 5, we enjoyed reading books to the Year 1 pupils during World Book Day. We really enjoyed having Miss Tully join us as a secret reader! During the day, we shared our own favourite books and - as part of our work on instruction texts in English - we enjoyed planting our own peppers!



In year 6 we read the poem 'The Day War Came'. Children were empathetic when learning about the effect war can have to children in other countries. As part of the book Nicola Davies drew a chair, which led to a viral campaign of people illustrating chairs to show solidarity to refugees. As a year group we created our own gallery of chairs.



In Year 3, we enjoyed sharing our books from home with our friends. Thank you to Year 6 who joined us to read our favourite stories and to Miss Gladstone and Mr Lisle for being our secret readers at the end of the day.

Year 3 Mini Museum

On Monday 25th March we welcomed parents in to share our Anglo Saxon learning from Spring term. We enjoyed discussing what we had been learning about, what skills we had developed and why this learning is important and relevant to us.



Dance Festival

On Monday 4th March, a group 33 KS2 children showcased a wonderful performance in the North Tyneside Dance Festival. We worked very hard, spending a lot of time and effort to create our dance to the theme 'Our World'. We are very proud of how the team performed on stage showing excellence and teamwork.



Eco News

This term we pledged from keep Britain tidy to collect 20 bags of litter from around school, each class signed up and went out around school. Thank You as school is looking a much cleaner space.

[Safeguarding and WhatsApp.](#) You may be aware that there is a WhatsApp group called Everyone U know x which has been set up, apparently for Year 6 pupils. There are well over 500 people in this group. We have urged our parents to work with their children and remove from this group as the content is inappropriate. This group has now received some negative media attention. I know that younger year group pupil may also have WhatsApp, which is a recommended 16+. If your child has this app please check that they are not on this site. The link below has parental guidance and advice about WhatsApp.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/2023-01-12-is-whatsapp-safe-for-my-child/>

Thank you.

Lego League

On Thursday 14th March, a Year 5 and a Year 6 team headed to the Village Hotel to compete in this year's Regional Finals for Lego League. We had a fantastic day taking part in robot games, presenting our innovation project and playing with Lego! We are really proud that one of our teams came third place overall and won the Core Values trophy!



Uniform Policy

Polite reminder that leggings are not part of our uniform policy. Grey skirts, skorts, trousers please and black trainers or shoes. We still have pre-loved uniforms at reception.

Music @ New York



Spring Sing

On Tuesday 5th March, our amazing choir performed at the Whitley Bay Playhouse alongside other local schools. We showcased a range of genres from opera to pop and wowed the audience with our clear, confident singing.



Magic Flute

On Tuesday 19th March, choir visited the Civic Centre in Newcastle for the Create and Sing celebration event. Alongside other local schools, we performed songs from the opera, Magic Flute, listening to the story along the way. It was incredible to hear opera singers perform some of the songs and we noticed that these were performed in German. It was a wonderful way to celebrate all of our hard work over this half term.



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Sporting News



Hoops4Health

On Monday 18th March, Newcastle Eagles came into school to work with year 5 and 6. We took part in different sessions including one on the importance of hydration, a balanced diet and basketball skills.

Hockey Festival

On Friday 22nd March a small team of year 6s attended a hockey festival. They demonstrated the great invasion game skills they have developed in PE lessons and also showed excellent school games qualities. It was remarked how our children showed such high levels of teamwork and support for everyone.

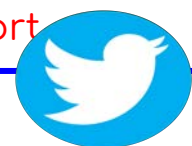


Girls Football

On Friday 8th March we joined in and celebrated the World Biggest Football Event for Girls. All girls from KS2 spent time in the morning completing football related drills and games. In the afternoon we hosted a round robin tournament for our Girls Team and 2 local primary schools. We had a great day and showed teamwork and sportsmanship.



Follow all of our sporting events with our NYPSSport Twitter! @NYPSSport



Dates for your diary

- Thursday 28th March - Finish for Easter
- Monday 15th April - Children return to school
- Tuesday 23rd April - Year 5 Trail Challenge
- Wednesday 24th April - Year 3 and 4 Gymnastics Competition
- Tuesday 30th April Reception visit to Transport Museum
- Monday 13th - Friday 17th May KS2 SATS - Year 6
- Monday 20th May - Friday 24th May - Book Fair
- Friday 24th April - Finish for half term
- Monday 3rd June - Teacher training day
- Tuesday 4th June - Children return to school
- Tuesday 4th June - Friday 14th June - Year 4 Multiplication Check
- Monday 10th June - Friday 14th June - Phonics Screening Check
- Monday 17th June - Friday 21st June - STEM Week
- Friday 21st June - STEM Fair
- Wednesday 26th June - Book Look
- Friday 28th June - Non-Uniform Day
- Saturday 6th July - Shiremoor Treat
- Monday 8th July - Friday 12th July - Beach Trips KS1 and KS2
- Friday 12th July - Mouth of the Tyne Festival
- Monday 15th July and Tuesday 16th July - Transition Days
- Thursday 18th July - Finish for Summer holidays
- Friday 19th July - Teacher training day

TOP TIP

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