

# School Newsletter



## Naburn Church of England Primary School



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### Headteacher's Introduction

Dear Parents/Carers,

Mystery Plays

This week, we began a special journey in our Collective Worship. The fabulous Tony (YO-YO) came in to work with us all on 'The Light That Overcomes.' Our children had the opportunity to contribute to 10 mystery plays, written especially for us by Tony. With these we produced drama performances depicting the life of Jesus and some of the miracles He performed. We discussed how these stories of Jesus and his life reflects a sense of family and protection - of light in the darkness. The children's creative thoughts, ideas, performances, poems and reflections were really moving.

A huge 'thank you' to Tony, Mr Beresford and staff, who all contributed to the success of Naburn's first ever Mystery Play!

If you know of any families looking for a Reception place for the 2026/2027 academic year, please do let them know that we currently have a limited number of places available for next year's Reception cohort! Even if they didn't put us as their first choice originally, there is still an opportunity to join our school family. Please encourage them to contact the School Office if they would like to have a chat.

As ever, thank you for your continued support in school attendance. We know it's not always easy, but we are really encouraged to see our attendance beginning to increase! Thank you!

Have a great weekend!



**Battle winners are**

**RESPECT**

**Most Valueable players**

**Hattie George Lara**

**Next Weeks Battle**

**RESPECT vs**

**ASPIRATION**

### THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Please remember to send hats gloves and coats during cold weather
- YOUNG VOICES on Tuesday – 2 pack ups, snacks and water bottle needed
- Grab Bags only available on Tuesday for lunch

### Reflection Corner

John 1:5:

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it".



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## Dates for your diary

10 <sup>th</sup> February	Young Voices at Sheffield Arena
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Break up for half term
23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Back to School
5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
20 <sup>th</sup> March	Comic Relief – NON-UNIFORM DAY
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Service – 2pm in Church
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Break up for Easter holidays
13 <sup>th</sup> April	Back to school
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday Monday
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Break up for half term
1 <sup>st</sup> June	Back to school
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Service – 2pm in Church
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Break up for Summer

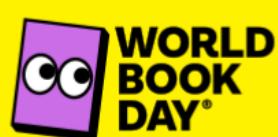
### Nut Free

Just a reminder that we are a nut free school, it is **REALLY** important that no nuts are brought into school – this includes products that contain nuts and products that "may contain traces of nuts"

## CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

JUST A REMINDER THAT WE HOLD OUR CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY EVERY THURSDAY AFTERNOON AT 2.50PM

ALL PARENTS/CARERS WELCOME – WE'D LOVE TO SEE YOU THERE



**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>  
March – more  
details to follow . .**

**Get your fancy  
dress ready!**

## COMIC RELIEF

**MARCH 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Non-Uniform to raise money  
for this wonderful day**

## Star of the Week

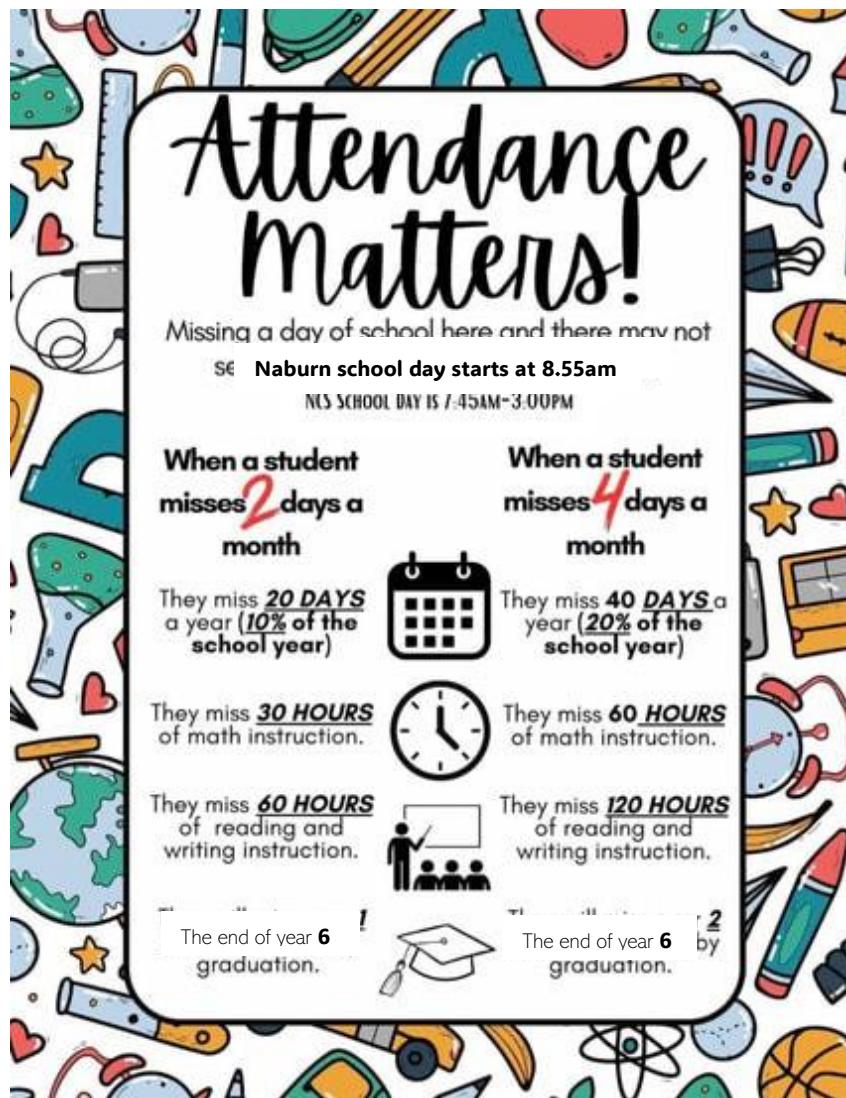


**Don't forget it's the Young Voices Concert on  
Tuesday!!**

**Doors open at 6pm with the concert beginning at  
7pm, make sure you remember to book your  
carparking space and take your tickets with you**



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## Supporting Your Child's Good Attendance

You play the most important role in establishing good habits. Here are a few ways you can help us work together:

- Keep to a Routine:** Establish a consistent **bedtime routine** to ensure your child gets enough sleep and is awake, alert, and ready to learn in the morning.
- Be Punctual:** School starts at 8.45/8.50am. Arriving on time ensures your child doesn't miss the vital start-of-day instructions, activities, and register, which sets a positive tone for the whole day.
- Book Appointments Outside of School Hours:** Please try to schedule dentist and non-urgent medical appointments after school or during the school holidays.
- Avoid Term-Time Holidays:** Family holidays during term time are almost always recorded as **unauthorised absence** and severely disrupt a child's learning.
- Know When to Send Them In:** If your child has a minor ailment, such as a cold or a slight cough, and is otherwise well, they should still come to school. If you are unsure whether your child is too ill to attend, please contact the school office for advice or consult the NHS guidance on 'Is my child too ill for school?'

**What to Do if Your Child is Absent**

If your child is genuinely too ill to attend, please contact the school office on 01904 551075 before 9am on the first day of absence, stating the reason. You must call us **every day** they are absent, please.

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## Acorn Class



As part of National Storytelling Week, Acorn class took part in the Naburn Mystery Play ***Light in the Dark***, performing “**Looking for Jesus**” and “**In the Tree.**” The children prepared with great focus and worked together extremely well. Their performances were thoughtful, confident, and a credit to them all.



A great time was had at Chill and Chatter Club this week. The children worked together to build an impressive dinosaur enclosure, created some unusual “lunch” combinations including pink milk, pasta, and eggs and made a wonderful monkey and its friend using natural materials. They also enjoyed colouring, building, and especially using their imaginations, whilst they chatted throughout. It was a lovely session with lots of creativity and teamwork.



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This week Willow class have been further developing the Gargoyles they designed and made last week. Storyboarding the "Night of the Gargoyles" and creating their own comic strip adventures using those characters.



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In Science this week, year 5/6 have been learning about refraction. They conducted an investigation into what happens when light rays pass from one state of matter to another and then recorded their observations. They investigated which angles were best to observe the refraction from and whether the colour of the liquid made any difference to the results.



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## Mrs Davies's expedition to the Andes

On the 20th February 2026 my 5 teammates and I will set off on a challenge of a lifetime to hopefully achieve a world's first! My good friend and fellow team member Steph became suddenly unwell in 2019 due to a neurological condition, which amongst other complex symptoms, took away her ability to mobilise. Steph was an experienced horse rider when she became ill, and one of the things that kept her going throughout her rehabilitation was the thought of one day sitting on her beloved horse again.

In 2023 myself and 7 others helped Steph to become the first wheelchair dependent person to cross the Pyrenees from France to Spain on horseback. However, Steph wasn't quite done with breaking down barriers and rewriting the rule book on what a wheelchair dependent person can and can't do. She very quickly came up with the idea of crossing the Andes, again on horseback, where she truly has her independence.

The 'Ride to Independence' expedition is expected to take us 7 days, leaving from Mendoza in Argentina, traversing the Andes reaching heights of up to 4,400m and finishing in Santiago, Chile. We will be following the route used by General San Martin in 1817, when he led the Army of the Andes to liberate Chile from the Spanish monarchy. We will ride the magnificent native Peruvian Paso and Chilean Criollo horses, with pack mules carrying all the kit, camping gear and most importantly Steph's wheelchair.

This is going to be a huge challenge not only for Steph but for all of us as a team. We will be spending between 6 to 9 hours in a saddle a day, coping with rocky terrain, steep slopes, changes in altitude, and extreme weather conditions. We can fully expect to see intense sun, high winds, and snow all in one day. Our bond as a team will be pushed to the limits as we will have to overcome the unexpected challenges presented in these kinds of extreme environments.

To make our crazy dream a reality, it has meant hours of tirelessly fundraising and the end is almost in sight, but we still need every penny to get us over the finish line! We truly appreciate everything donated. Steph and her husband Jon have now set up their own not for profit company, Equine Para-Adventures, to help support other disabled riders to make their 'impossible' dream a reality and have their own adventure. All funds raised above our target will be going towards this amazing cause.

At the end of school on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February I will be in the playground raising funds for this expedition. I will be running a one hundred square style raffle, where you can buy a square for £1 and if you pick the winning square there will be a great chocolatey prize!! The winner will be announced after school on Friday 13th January.

Here is the link to our short team video, which explains more about us and what we hope to achieve,  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fs3zp68rrbo>



Please go to our Go fund me page, if you feel this is something you would like to support further  
<https://gofund.me/3ea0e9745>

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## YORK HOLIDAY CLUBS with TOTAL SPORTS

ARTY/ CRAFTY/ SPORTY/ ADVENTURE/ FUN

**The region's No.1 holiday clubs!!**

**Children aged 5-13 from all schools are welcome!!**

**8am-5:30pm**

**Ran by qualified DBS checked coaches!!**

**Energy Programmes at all venues - 50+ Activity Choices- 2 Choices Every Hour !!!  
Football Camps- Open to all abilities and clubs!!**

**Our award winning holiday clubs will be running this February Half Term at  
Archbishop Holgate's  
Headlands Primary School  
Huntington Secondary School  
Manor CE School  
offering boys & girls the perfect way to spend their school holidays!!**

**Join our Energy Programme at all venues - 50+ choices of  
arty/crafty/sporty/adventure/fun! activities!!**

**With 2 choices every hour and your children in specific age groups, your children rule  
their days with their friends!!**

**Our activity choices ensure children of all interests have a brilliant day- choose  
between painting or dodgeball, parachute games or hockey, yoga or football, field  
games or den building- we have over 50+ activities across the week to ensure your  
children have action packed energy filled days!!  
The choices are endless with our energy programme!!**

**Our holiday clubs open at 8am with flexible drop off until 9am! Pick up as late  
as 5:30pm!!**

**Parents can book in single days or a full week and pay using government childcare  
vouchers.**

**OFSTED registered and with 18 years worth of holiday club experience,  
we also work in over 40+ schools in the area meaning your children may well know our  
staff team!!**

**HOW TO BOOK YOUR PLACE;  
Simply visit our website; <https://www.totalsportslimited.co.uk/book-online/>**

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USE CODE "15%" FOR  
15% OFF ANY  
BOOKING (OFFER  
ENDS 31<sup>ST</sup> OF JAN)

JOIN US AT ONE OF  
OUR LOCAL YORK  
VENUES!!!

SEE REVERSE  
FOR VENUES!!



## total**sports**

### FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS

**FUN, ACTIVE, AWARD WINNING CHILDCARE**

**THIS FEBRUARY HALF TERM IN YORK**

**OPEN 8AM - 5:30PM | FOR 5-11 YEAR OLDS**

- **50+ ACTIVITIES ACROSS THE WEEK**
- **ARTY | CRAFTY | SPORTY | ADVENTURE OPTIONS**
- **2 ACTIVITY CHOICES EVERY HOUR**
- **SWIMMING DAYS - CHECK WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO**
- **FOOTBALL CAMPS AT SELECTED VENUES**



WE ACCEPT

- ✓ Childcare Vouchers
- ✓ Tax-Free Childcare

**BOOK NOW, PLACES GO FAST AT ALL VENUES!!**

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## VENUES NEAR YOU!!

### YORK

- ARCHBISHOP HOLGATE'S SECONDARY ⚡ ⚡
- HEADLANDS PRIMARY ⚡
- HUNTINGTON SECONDARY ⚡ ⚡
- MANOR SECONDARY ⚡ ⚡

### EASINGWOLD

- OUTWOOD ACADEMY SECONDARY ⚡

### WAKEFIELD

- QUEEN ELIZABETH GRAMMAR SCHOOL (QEGS) ⚡ ⚡

### HARROGATE

- HARROGATE LADIES' COLLEGE ⚡
- ROSSETT SPORTS CENTRE ⚡ ⚡

### EAST YORKSHIRE

- POCKLINGTON SCHOOL ⚡ ⚡ ⚡
- TRANBY ⚡

### CASTLEFORD

- BRIGSHAW HIGH SCHOOL ⚡

#### WHATS ON AT WHICH CAMP KEY:



ENERGY CAMP - 50+  
ARTY/CRAFTY/SPORTY/  
ADVENTURE/FUN ACTIVITIES



FOOTBALL CAMP



SWIM DAYS -  
CHECK WEBSITE  
FOR MORE INFO!

**JOIN TOTAL ENERGY THIS HALF TERM!**

**50+ ACTIVITIES ACROSS THE WEEK & 2 CHOICES EVERY HOUR!!**

**CHOOSE BETWEEN DODGEBALL OR DEN BUILDING, CRAFTS OR**

**CAPTURE THE FLAG, PARACHUTE GAMES OR BASKETBALL,**

**YOUR CHILDREN RULE THEIR DAYS!**



**SWIMMING ON SET DAYS AT SET VENUES INCLUDED AS PART OF  
ENERGY PROGRAMME - CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO!!**



**FOOTBALL CAMPS FOR FOOTBALL MAD CHILDREN!!**

**JOIN OUR FA QUALIFIED COACHES FOR A BRILLIANT HALF TERM OF  
FOOTBALL FUN! AT SET VENUES, OUR FOOTBALL CAMPS ARE PERFECT  
FOR CHILDREN OF ALL ABILITIES, SCHOOLS AND CLUBS! JOIN US FOR  
SKILL DRILLS, CHALLENGES, MATCHES AND TOURNAMENTS!!**



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## NABURN CE PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2025 / 2026

### AUTUMN TERM 2025

**Staff Training. School closed: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025**

School Open: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**Half-term: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 31st October 2025**

School Open: Monday 3rd November – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2024

**Staff Training. School closed: Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

**Christmas Holiday: Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January 2026**

### SPRING TERM 2026

**Staff Training. School closed: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

School Open: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**Half-term: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 20th February 2026**

School Open: Monday 23rd February – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**Staff Training. School closed: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Easter Holiday: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

### SUMMER TERM 2026

School Open: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

**Half-term: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

School Open: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026

### ADDITIONAL DATES 2025 / 2026

**Bank Holiday: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**Staff Training. School closed: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026**