

# School Newsletter



Naburn Church of England  
Primary School



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## Headteacher's Introduction

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had another great week at school and I can't believe we are half way through the term already!  
**ATTENDANCE MATTERS!**

Thank you for supporting us in our goal to have every child in school every day. Our attendance is still below national levels this week, but we have seen a marked improvement! Thank you so much for your continued support! Missing school means missing out on key bits of learning which can affect children's self-confidence and happiness in school. If you have any worries about school attendance, please speak to your child's class teacher or the office.

**STARTING SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2026**

We still have a few spaces in our Reception Class for September 2026. If you know of anyone who has not yet applied and still needs a school place, please encourage them to contact our school office so an application can be put in as soon as possible as the deadline has now passed. We can help you to do this!  
**THANK YOU!**

We would like to say thank you to our amazing volunteers who help us in school. They really support us with our reading and creative projects! If you would like to volunteer in school, please speak with our School Office Team.

Have a really lovely weekend.

## THINGS TO REMEMBER

- **MYSTERY PLAYS ARE ON AT ST MATTHEWS CHURCH TUESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> FEB AT 2.30PM**
- Please remember to send hats gloves and coats during cold weather
- Acorn class - plea for small cardboard boxes, please, for making moon buggies next week. No bigger than a small shoe box.



Battle winners are  
**COMMUNITY**

Most Valueable players

**Issy Georgia Larry**

Next Weeks Battle  
**RESPECT vs**  
**ASPIRATION**

## Reflection Corner

Corinthians 13:4-7

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things



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## Dates for your diary

3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Mystery Plays 2.30pm in Church
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

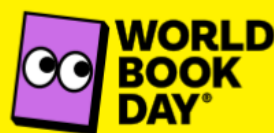
### Nut Free

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 . .**

# COMIC RELIEF

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

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

## Star of the Week



Aspiration

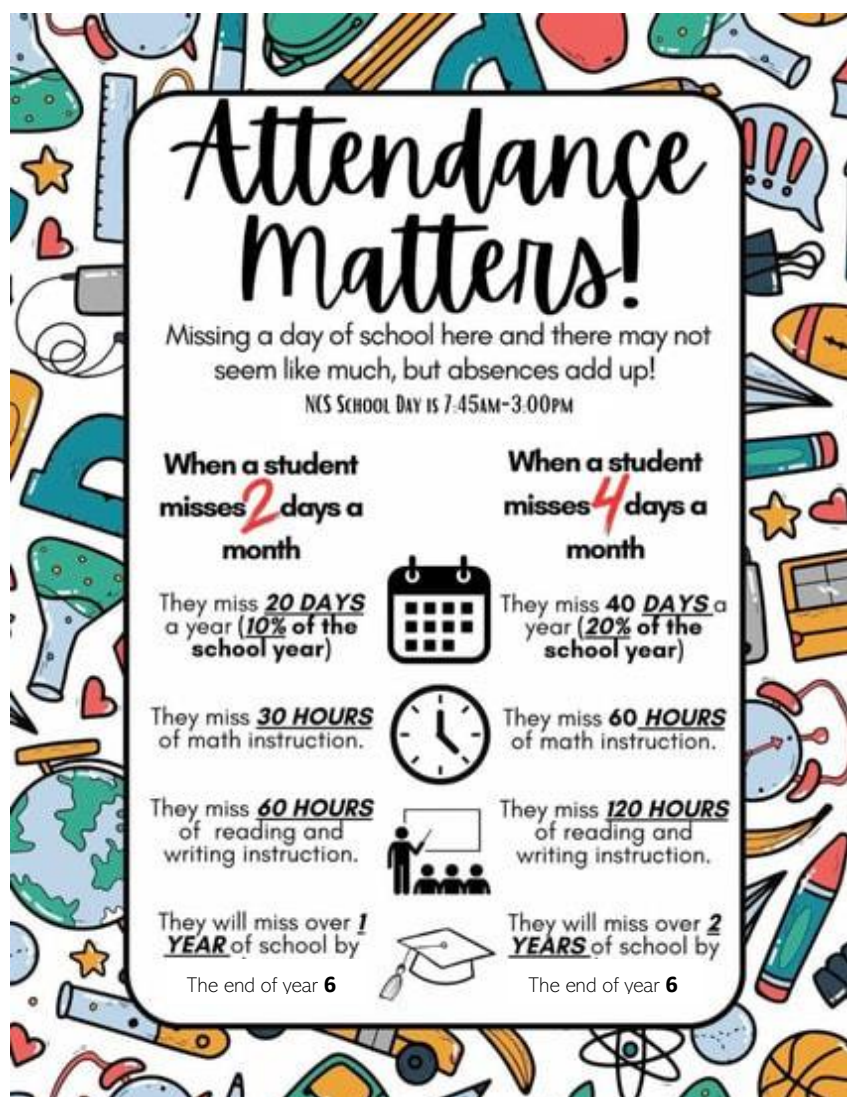
You are invited to  
**NABURN SCHOOL'S MYSTERY PLAYS**

At St Matthew's Church  
on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February  
at 2.30pm





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## Absence Reporting

Please can we remind parents and carers that all absences must be reported daily to the school office before 8:50am, giving a clear reason for absence.

A message can be left on the school answerphone at any time. For cases of ongoing illness you must contact the school every day, otherwise this could be recorded as unauthorised absence.

Any unavoidable medical appointments, e.g. hospital appointments, must be reported to the school office in advance, and a form completed.

Any requests for other time off during term time will be recorded as unauthorised absence, unless there are exceptional circumstances. A form must also be completed in advance for all term time absences.

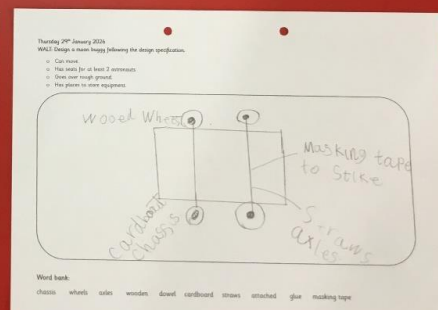
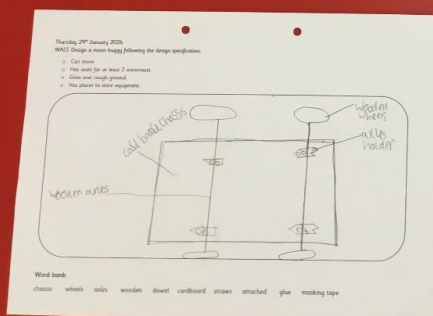
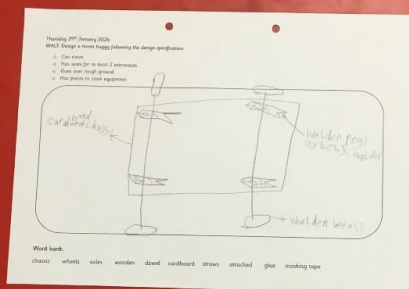
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This week in Maths, we have been learning to combine two groups. In pairs, we took it in turns to use the magnetic rod to pick up as many frogs as we could. We counted how many frogs each child had and then counted how many frogs they had altogether.



In D&T this week, we have been designing our moon buggies following our design specification. We thought about the materials that we would need to make the chassis and wheels. We explored different axle holders such as pegs, cardboard triangles and straws to keep our axle in place but still allow it to turn. We look forward to making them next week!



Acorn Class





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This week, we continued using the text 'Night of the Gargoyles' as a stimulus for English and artwork. The children wrote fabulous descriptions of gargoyles coming to life when night falls and even had the opportunity to sculpt their very own clay gargoyle! A big thank you to Georgy's Mum, Sydney, who came into class again to teach and support the children to work effectively with clay to create their gargoyle visions.

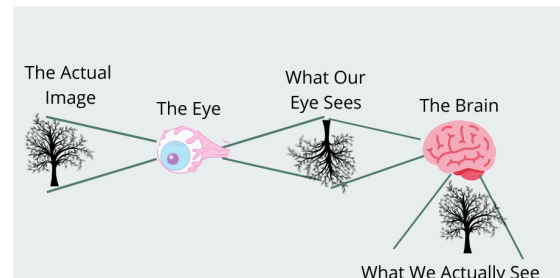




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This week Sycamore started their science topic of 'Light'. The children carried out an investigation into which materials reflect light the best. They set up a box with a light source and a viewing tube and discovered that without light, they were unable to see anything at all. They then switched on the light source and observed which materials made the best reflectors. The children have also discovered that objects are seen because they either give out or reflect light into the eye. Using mirrors, they have observed how the eye lets light in and then learnt about how the eye works.



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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 Wednesday 4<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!!**

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ENDS 31<sup>ST</sup> OF JAN)

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

SEE REVERSE  
FOR VENUES!!



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# **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**



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- ✓ Childcare Vouchers
- ✓ Tax-Free Childcare



**SCAN TO BOOK!!!**

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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 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025**

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

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

**Christmas Holiday: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

School Open: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> 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**