



Little Phoenix



The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep

Mrs Speight's message ...

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A very warm welcome back to all of our children and their families. It was lovely to see our Reception children in their uniforms, walking into Pre-Prep with such enthusiasm and independence on their first day. They all looked so grown up and I know that many of our parents shed a tear of joy and pride. In fact, the children throughout Pre-Prep have settled into their new classes and routines beautifully. I am most impressed with how well they have been lining up, listening in class and following our 'high fives'. They clearly have high aspirations and expectations of themselves. I am certain you will agree that by demonstrating our school value of 'ambitious,' they are setting the scene for further learning and fun. Thinking of others has also been extremely evident as the children have ensured all of our new starters have been made to feel most welcome, it's as if they have been with us forever! Thank you to all of you who came to our Parental Information Evenings last night, I hope that you enjoyed meeting the staff. Please do not hesitate to ask if you have any further questions and remember that the parental site (<https://sites.google.com/yarmschool.org/yarm-preparatory-school-curri/home>) is always available for you to access. Have the most wonderful relaxing weekend and good luck to those parents who are running the Great North Run, the weather looks to be very warm for it.

Jeanne Speight



Tes Schools Awards 2024
Winner
Independent Prep School of the Year



Welcome to Nursery!

What a wonderful week we have had, full of exploration. The children have loved exploring all there is to offer including painting, playdough, building, drawing, dressing up and playing in the garden. We can't wait to come back next week and do it all over again!



The Everybody Club

The Reception children have loved reading 'Lots of Dots' which is a tale about how special it feels to belong. Inspired by the characters in the book, we made our own 'Everybody Club', because whatever we are doing everyone is always welcome. Look at our gorgeous badges and flags!



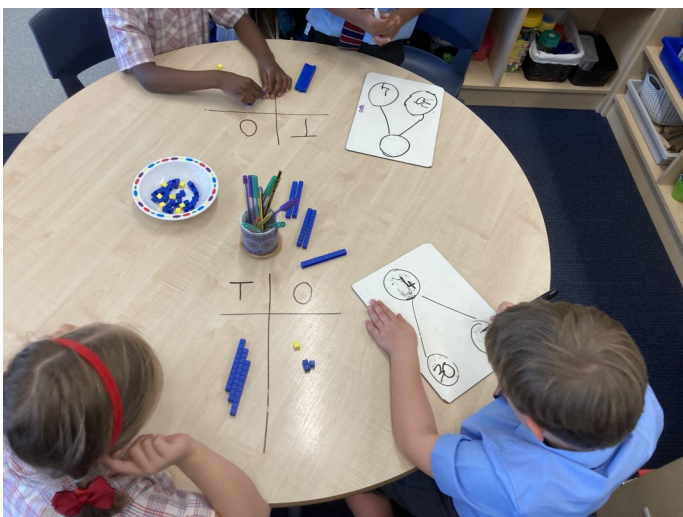
Sound Walk

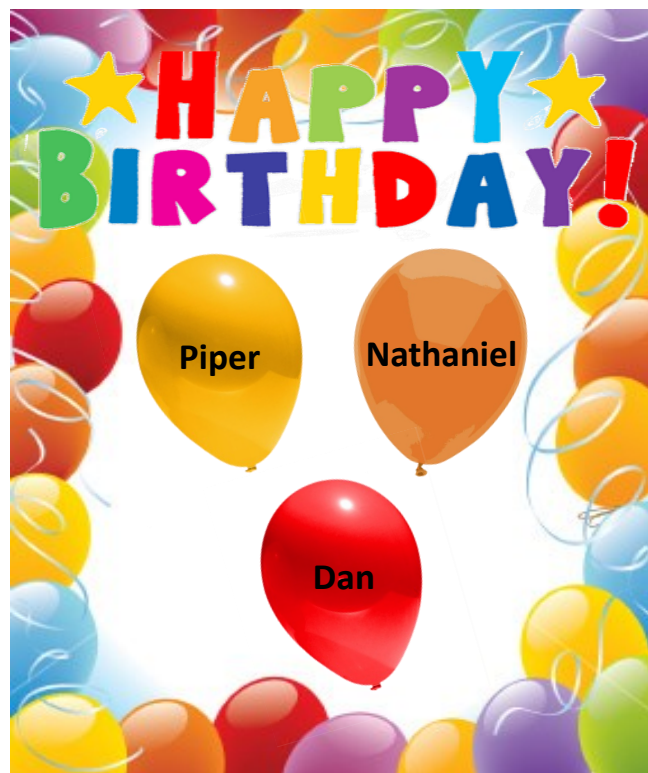
In Year 1 we have been working on our oracy skills. The children have been thinking about how we listen and why it is so important. After creating some excellent sets of ear headbands, the children took part in a sound walk. The children concentrated brilliantly and were amazed at how many different sounds they encountered. Well done, Year 1!



Maths

The children in Year 2 have been exploring place value using manipulatives during their maths lessons. They then transferred these skills and created part-whole models using numerals.





Car Park

In the interests of safety, please **do not** allow your children to play on the grassy banks near to the car park. Thank you for your cooperation.



Reminder—Uniform

During the autumn term children are able to wear either the summer or winter uniform. Please be reminded that girls should wear white socks with the summer uniform, and grey socks/tights with the winter uniform.

Reading Books

Please could we kindly ask that you have a look at home to see whether you have any Little Wandle reading practice books that belong to school.

Should you find any, please do return these to school.



Autumn Term Dates

Half Term Begins—Friday 18th October

Pupils Return—Monday 4th November

Finish—Friday 13th December

Holiday School Dates 2024/25

October—21st to 25th October (5 days)

Christmas—16th to 20th December (5 days)

Easter—7th to 11th April (5 days)

Summer—14th July to 1st August (15 days)

Teddy's Summer Adventure

Teddy in Year 2 used his pedal power over the summer to help provide food for those in need. He cycled 22 miles on the Cinder Track from Whitby to Saltburn all in one day and raised £1000 for local charity Little Sprouts. Teddy wanted to help make sure “everyone has enough to eat” and knew that every donation towards his fundraiser would be helping others. Well done Teddy!

You can donate to Teddy's fundraiser using the link below

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/teddys-22-miler?>

