

# YARM PREP SCHOOL

# WORKSHOPS & EVENTS 2024-25

PARTNERING WITH LOCAL SCHOOLS



Welcome to our overview of workshops and events planned for this academic year. These are completely free. Whether you've worked with us before, or it's your first time, we'd love to see you and the children from your school this year!

If you are from a Stockton Primary School then don't miss our Clay Project - where Year 4 children produce a clay figure to go on display in a temporary art installation as part of the Stockton riverside redevelopment. Find out more overleaf!

To register your interest in attending any workshops or events then please complete our short form at:

www.yarmschool.org/primary2024

Dates and firm details will be confirmed depending on interest.

If you have any further comments or suggestions, please let me know at <a href="mailto:gnseyarmschool.org">gnseyarmschool.org</a>.

Mr Gavin Stone, Deputy Head



# ART

### Stockton Clay Project Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays

### Open only to Y4 classes in the Stockton Borough Council area.

Available from now, our Art Department will come along and teach a class how to model clay, with children producing a figure that will go on display as part of the Stockton riverside redevelopment, due to open in Summer 2026. Sessions would take place at your school anytime between 10am-2pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays. Requirements from us are a TA present in class and lunch!



### Learn to Draw Workshop Spring Term (Date tbc)

A 90 minute workshop run by our Art Department, where children will be taught how to draw. The workshop will run at the Prep School either from 10am until 11.30am, or 1.30–3pm with a snack included for all. There will also be a CPD opportunity for visiting teachers.

### Clay Modelling Day at the Prep School Tuesday 20th May 2025

A one-day workshop run by our Art Department and a special guest (TBC), where children will be taught some amazing clay modelling skills, before being fired in our kiln (and returned to children by the end of term). The workshop will run at the Prep School from 10am until 2pm, with playtime, lunch and snack included for all. There will also be a CPD opportunity for visiting teachers.

### Microbits Workshop Anytime on Mondays and Wednesdays

Available from now, Les Foggett (Computing Teacher) will come along and teach a class some coding using our Microbits. Sessions would take place from 10am–2pm on Mondays and Wednesdays. Internet connection required by the teacher, along with a TA present in class and lunch!

### Yarm STEAM Week talk Wednesday 19th February

10.30am-11.30am and 2-3pm at the Princess Alexandra Auditorium. Depending on demand, we will be hosting a talk from an author or scientist (tbc) on the topic of steam and railways, the theme for our annual STEAM Week and to coincide with the 200th anniversary of the Stockton & Darlington Railway. We welcome children from other schools to come along to the talk, which will run on two separate performances on the day.

### Come and Try VEX Robotics Spring Term on Wednesdays

A chance for teachers and classes to come along and join our after school VEX Robotics club and see what it is all about! Learn from our children, before having a go yourselves.

### Prep VEX Robotics Club Spring Term on Wednesdays

Local primary schools who currently have their own VEX kits are welcome to come along after school on Wednesdays after school to join our VEX Club and have some competitions! If there is enough interest, we will begin a VEX league.



The session was fantastic and allowed all children to have a sense of achievement regardless of their academic ability... All children expressed their joy for the session and could give examples of what new skills they had learnt."

Miss McLoughlin, The Links Primary School (Programming with Microbits)

# STEM Days with NE STEM Foundation Thursday 8th & Friday 9th May, Thursday 19th June

Following on from the success of our inaugural STEM Days in May 2024, we will be running three such days in 2025! Running from 9.30am- 2.30pm, children will get the opportunity to take part in a wide range of STEM-based activities. Playtime, lunch and snack included for all. There will also be a CPD opportunity for visiting teachers.



### STEM Careers Fair Summer Term 2025 (Date tbc)

Taking place in our new Prep Hall, children from Years 3–6 are invited to find out about different careers in STEM, getting the chance to talk to those involved in different industry fields. Further details will follow depending on interest and demand.



# COMPUTING

### Virtual Reality Sessions Anytime from now

Available from now, Gavin Stone (Computing Lead) and some of the Prep School Digital Leaders will come to your class and run a VR session using our VR headsets. Lots of different 'places' to visit! Sessions last 30 minutes per class; up to four classes per visit.

### Internet Safety Workshop Monday 10th February

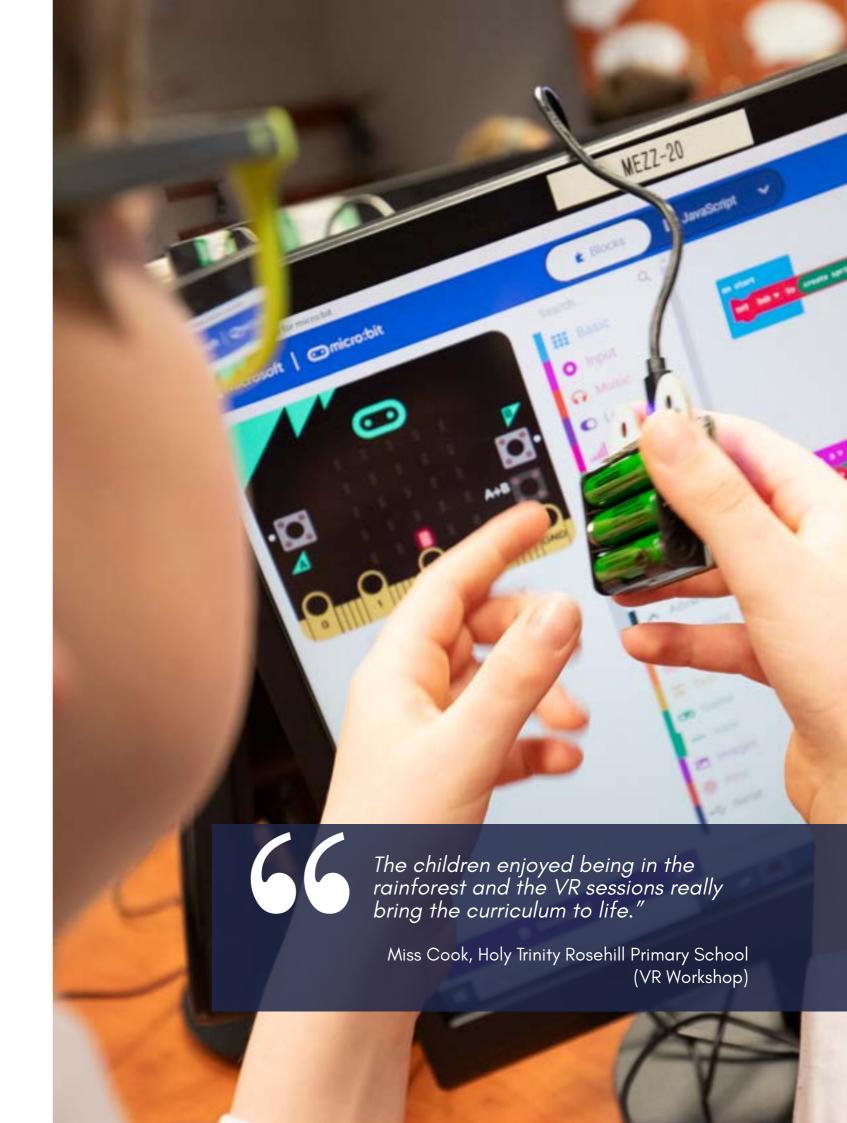
10am-2.30pm at the Prep School. Open to 6-8 Year 5/6 pupils. The plan is to work on collaborative internet safety projects in the build-up to this event, before using these with our schools during this week (Safer Internet Day is on Tuesday 11th February).

### Internet Safety Talk from CEOP Ambassador Anytime from now

This can be arranged for your parents and/or staff at a time that suits you, and can be conducted either via Zoom or in person at your school. Led by Gavin Stone (Prep School Deputy Head & CEOP Ambassador).

### Partner Computing Lessons Anytime from now

An opportunity to work on a computing curriculum area with either a Year 4, 5 or 6 class in partnership with a class from Yarm, Coordinated by Gavin Stone (Computing Lead).



# MUSIC

# Primary Schools Singing Day at the Prep School Wednesday 22nd January 2025

9.30am-2.30pm at the Prep School. Open to school choirs and singing groups, with a performance to parents from 2pm. Our Director of Music, Mr Richard Gooding, would lead the collaborative singing event. There will also be a music CPD session on offer to visiting teachers.

### Reception Singing Mornings Spring/Summer Term

Short sessions on various mornings (dates to be confirmed) where Reception-aged children join our own for some singing!



# CHESS Yarm Chess Jamboree March or April (Date tbc) To take place on a Monday in March or April, join Sean Marsh (our chess coach) to learn how to play the game. Will run from 10am-2pm; lunch provided. Chess Club Spring/Summer Term - Mondays and **Wednesdays After School** Running from 3.55-4.55pm, we have spaces available in our after school chess clubs alongside our pupils, led by Sean Marsh (our chess coach). Ideal for a small group to come from a visiting school.

# SCHOOL QUIZ

#### **Primary Schools Quiz** Tuesday 20th May 2024

10am start at the Prep School. This will be the sixth running of the quiz which is open to all schools in the Teesside area.

# **CURIOSITY EMPORIUM**

### **Curiosity Emporium Spring Term on Tuesdays**

Originally aimed at our GAT children, our Curiosity Emporiums are now open to any child interested in the topic! Next term we will be running sessions on a wide variety of fascinating topics. Sessions are led by our teachers and ensure lively discussion and debate! Various dates in the Spring Term, taking place between 1-1.40pm on Tuesdays.

# **DEBATING**

### **Prep Debating Club Spring & Summer Term on Wednesdays**

Running from 2.55-3.45pm, we have spaces available in our debating clubs alongside our pupils, led by our Senior School Debating Society. Ideal for a small group to come from a visiting school.



# **Spring and Summer Term**

10.30am-11.30am and 2-3pm (two separate performances) at the Princess Alexandra Auditorium or the new Prep School Hall. Depending on demand, we will be hosting a talk from a children's author (tbc), We welcome children from other schools to come along to the talk, which will run on two separate performances on the day.



### Year 3 Sports Afternoon Tuesday 20th May 2025

1–3pm at the Prep School. A chance for Year 3 children to have a go at a wide range of sports – some they will know, some will be new!

### Year 4 Sports Afternoon Thursday 22nd May 2024

1–3pm at the Prep School. A chance for Year 4 children to have a go at a wide range of sports – some they will know, some will be new!

### Woodland Mornings Spring/Summer

Taking place in our Senior School woods, join Simon Pearce (our Woodlands Lead) for some outdoor adventures in the woods! Would take place on Thursday mornings for approximately 1–2 hours.

### Junior Maths Challenge Club Spring Term

Taking place on a day after school during Spring (most likely Thursdays), we will be running a JMC club for children from partner schools who are looking for a significant challenge. Open to Year 6 pupils as an additional, extended challenge compared to KS2 SATS. Entry into the JMC will be covered by Yarm Prep in the Summer term for any pupils who meet the challenge!



The event has had significant impact - all children were pleased they had made friends, tried new sports e.g. fencing, had fun!"

Mrs Cawthra, Carlton and Faceby CE Primary (Y4 Sports Afternoon)



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