



Little Phoenix



The Newsletter of Yarm Pre-Prep

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Mrs Speight's message ...

A very warm welcome back, how Autumnal it has become with so many fallen leaves and of course the dark nights. It was lovely hearing about all of your adventures from the half term holiday with many of you going on long walks and enjoying spending time with family and friends. The children have returned full of enthusiasm ready for all the joys that this term brings and it promises to be very busy between now and December 13th. I was most impressed with the children during our running club as they demonstrated great determination and resilience when pacing themselves as they completed their morning circuits. An event I must draw to your attention is the annual indoor Christmas Market at the Senior School hosted by the YSA next Saturday (16th November.) If you have not been before, I highly recommend a visit. There are so many stalls and activities for the children, including a trip to see Santa in his wonderful Grotto. As always, it is a pleasure to give the children their certificates during our Celebration Assembly and observing their expressions as they collect them fills me with so much pride. Have a relaxing weekend and enjoy spending time together.

Warmest wishes,

Jeanne Speight

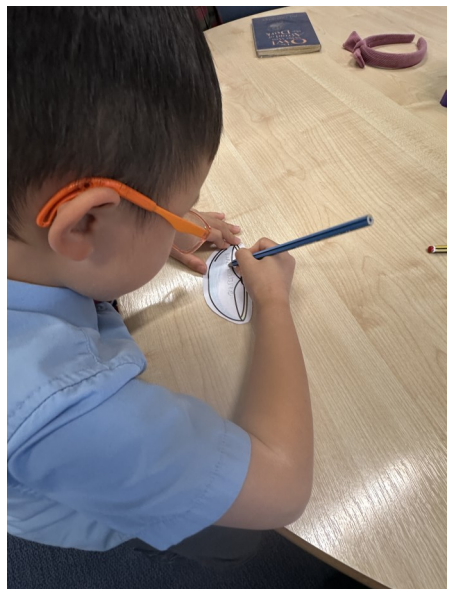


Tes Schools Awards 2024
Winner
Independent Prep School of the Year



Diwali

The children in Year 2 enjoyed learning more about Diwali. They created their own diya lamps using clay as part of the celebrations.



Diya Lamps

After learning about Diwali, the children in Nursery made their own Diya lamps from clay. They then used sequins and glitter to decorate the lamps.



Celebrations of Light

The Reception children have loved exploring the different ways that we celebrate light, learning about Diwali on Monday and Bonfire Night on Tuesday. It has been a joyful and colourful start to the new half term.



Sugar Skulls

Our Year 1 artists created colourful sugar skulls. They practised their symmetrical skills by adding flowers, leaves, patterns and shapes onto their skulls. They are both beautiful and vibrant.



October Holiday School





Flu Vaccinations

The School Aged Immunisation Service will be visiting School on Friday 22nd November to deliver the nasal flu spray vaccination. Please visit the link below to provide your consent online.

<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/7ec582ce>



Dates For Your Diary

- 16/11/24—Christmas Craft Fair
- 23/11/24—Social committee winter ball
- 2/12/24—Reports released to parents
- 3/12/24—EYFS Nativity, 2pm
- 5/12/24—Pre-Prep Nativity, 5pm
- 13/12/24—Last day of term. Christmas Jumper Day. No after school care.
- 6/01/25—Return to school

You can find the Yarm School

[Calendar by clicking here](#)



Lateness

Please be reminded that the school day starts **promptly at 8.35am** each morning. If your child arrives after 8.35am then they will receive a late mark. Your cooperation with this is much appreciated.

Snow White

Thursday 12th—Tuesday 24th December

Mirror mirror on the wall.... What's the fairest pantomime of them all? It's Snow White of course, and it's heading to us this Christmas.... Oh yes it is! Tom Rolfe Productions are delighted to be back with a brand new production bursting with dazzling costumes, hilarious comedy, sensational singing, beautiful scenery and the coolest Magnificent Seven ever! Will the wicked Queen Horibella manage to win the hand of Prince Charming? Will Snow White find the secret cottage? Will everyone live happily ever after?



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Santa and the Race to Save Christmas

Saturday 14th—Sunday 15th December

Christmas is fast approaching, and all is going well in Santa's workshop as Mrs Claus and the elves busily prepare for the big night. The presents are wrapped and the reindeers have completed their training then suddenly disaster strikes! As newly qualified reindeer Rosy gets in a jolly pickle! Crisis hits the North Pole, what is Santa going to do? How will he deliver everyone's presents? Will Santa and the gang manage to find a solution in order for the sleigh to set off in time for Christmas eve? Will everyone live happily after?

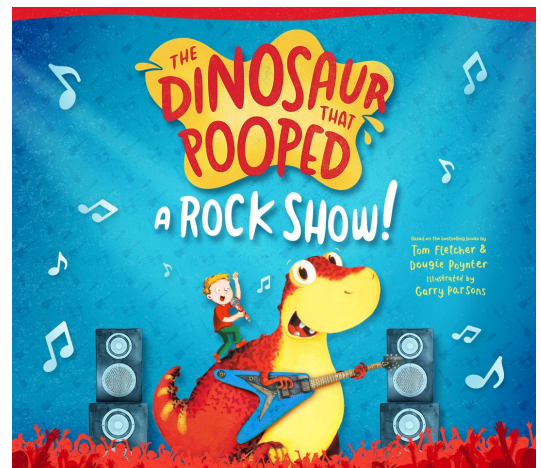


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The Dinosaur that Pooped

Wednesday 26th February, 12.30pm, 3.30pm

When Danny and Dino's favourite rock band are playing their last ever concert, they go on a quest to get the last two tickets. But with a villainous band manager lurking, nothing goes to plan. Will the band perform? Will Danny rock out? Or will Dino's rumbling tummy save the day? Adapted from the number 1 best-selling books by Tom Fletcher and Dougie Poynter, the whole family will have a poopy good time enjoying a brand, new story for the stage. Featuring new songs by Tom and Dougie, a lot of laughs and a whole lot of poo!



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Yarm School Association

CHRISTMAS INDOOR MARKET

SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

10AM - 4PM, YARM SCHOOL

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