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Caring, Considerate, Courageous

As I have loved you, so you must love one another. (John 13:34-35)

A Message from Miss Hammond

Once again, another week has flown by. Despite the changeable weather, it has been a busy and enjoyable week in school, with lots of opportunities for learning and enrichment.

This week, our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils took part in a dodgeball competition at Archbishop Holgate's School. The children represented our school extremely well, showing teamwork, resilience and great sportsmanship throughout the event.

Year 6 booster sessions also began this week and were very well attended. It has been lovely to see the children approaching these sessions with such a positive attitude and a willingness to challenge themselves further in their learning.

Thank you to all those who were able to attend our Sharing Classroom event. The children were very excited to show off the learning they have been doing since we last welcomed you into school for our parent meetings, and it was wonderful to see their pride and enthusiasm as they shared their work.

Year 6 were also visited by Janine from YOYO, who delivered the 'It's Your Bible' workshop. The session included quizzes and drama activities, and the children engaged really well throughout, showing curiosity, confidence and excellent participation.

Although the weather has not been kind, leading to some indoor wet playtimes, this has been a real positive for the children. It was lovely to see them so engaged in crafts, board games, chess, dominoes and a variety of other activities, all while developing friendships and social skills.

We hope everyone has a lovely weekend and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday.

York Residents' Festival - 31 January and 1 February 2026

York Residents' Festival returns on Saturday 31 January and Sunday 1 February 2026, offering York residents free entry to the city's top attractions, and exclusive offers on food, retail and unique experiences across the city.

Attractions include:

- Beningbrough Hall
- Treasurers' House
- Goddards
- The Potions Academy
- Merchant Taylors' Hall
- Clifford's Tower
- Tours of Holy Trinity Goodramgate and a free guidebook
- Merchant Adventurers' Hall
- Fairfax House
- The Hole In Wand
- York Cold War Bunker
- Thin Ice Press: the York Centre for Print
- York Medical Society
- Fishergate Postern Tower
- York Minster's new exhibition 'St William of York: Life and Legacy'

The full list of offers and pre-booking can be found at: visityork.org/resfest

Year 5 and Year 6 Dodgeball at AHS

Diary Dates

30th January	Young Voices 2026
9th - 11th February	Year 6 Residential to Kingswood's 2026
10th February	Safer Internet Day 2026 - 'Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI'
13th February	Break up for Half Term
17t February	Chinese New Year
23rd February	Back to School

Attendance from this Week

Owls - 88.9%

Badgers - 97.8%

Hedgehogs - 89.1%

Squirrels - 83.9%

Foxes - 88.1%

Whole School - 90.1%

Lunch Menu

Jacket Potato option with Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo available every day!

Please find our full menu on our school website: http://www.stlawrencesschool.org/prents/school-meals-menu

Week Commencing: Monday 26th January

Monday	Salmon Pasta Bake, Margherita Pizza with Wedges, Strawberry Mousse
Tuesday	Pork and Beef or Vegan Sausage with Mashed Potato & Gravy, Apple Crumble and Custard
Wednesday	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes, Vegan Cottage Pie, Original Flapjack
Thursday	Creamy Chicken Curry with Rice, Mac 'n' Cheese, Chocolate and Carrot Muffin
Friday	Oven Baked Fish Fingers, Tex-Mex Vegetable Fajita, Lemon Sponge and Custard

Week Commencing: Monday 2nd February

Monday	Margherita Pizza or Quorn Dippers with Potato Wedges, Vanilla Shortbread
Tuesday	Beef Bolognaise or Vegan Bolognaise with Penne Pasta, Berry and Apple Crumble
Wednesday	Roast Chicken or Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes, Apple Strudel and Custard
Thursday	Chicken Pie with Mashed Potato, Baked Mac 'n' Cheese, Gingerbread Squares with Custard
Friday	Oven Baked Fish or Vegan Sausage Roll with Chips, Garden Brownie

WELLBEING IN MIND TEAM

NHS
Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys
NHS Foundation Trust

February Wellbeing in Mind Team workshops for young people who are home educated.

These workshops and developed for parents, carers and their young people who are home educated. We aim for these to be relaxed and informal and will be adapted based on what comes up in discussion on the day.

This month's workshop theme : Understanding our sensory differences
We will use activities to explore our sensory likes and dislikes. There will be an opportunity to consider strategies with facilitators and other group members that may help reduce sensory overwhelm for ourselves and the young people we care for.

Workshop venue details: 11am-12pm at Send Central.

Monday 9th February

Monday 23rd February.

If you would like a space to talk about your child from a wellbeing perspective, please contact Send Central on 01904 555076 to book in an advice and support slot with the team.

SEND CENTRAL

York SEND Local Offer

FEBRUARY 2026 INFORMATION SESSIONS AT SEND CENTRAL IN COLLABORATION WITH PARENT CARER FORUM YORK

Monday 2nd February 1pm- 2pm- Welfare Rights- knowing what you may be entitled to as a family who have a child with additional needs.
A benefits advisor will be available at SEND CENTRAL from 1pm. They can share information around the benefits that are available to families who have children and young people with SEND, anyone can drop-in to make sure you know what you should and could be accessing and if there is anything you may be be missing. These will be ran as one to one sessions for those wanting to understand what they could access and be supported to do so. You can email SEND CENTRAL and we will book you a slot but we will try to accommodate anyone who comes along between 1pm and 2pm on the day.

Monday 9th February 1pm- 2pm How to Best Support Your Child with Reframing Demands when Life Feels Overwhelming.
A workshop for parents and carers of children and young people with SEND led by colleagues from Danesgate Community around how to best support in de-escalating difficult situations when your child is experiencing distress. This will be focusing on presenting behaviours, what this may be communicating and thinking about how we can reframe demands to best support your child. No need to book just come along.

Monday 23rd February 1pm- 2pm Supporting Transitions in Early Years Settings for your Child with Additional Needs
An information session delivered by our Early Years and Childcare Inclusion Adviser about the different transitions within early years and what you can expect from your setting when you have a child who has additional needs. This will include a question and answer session at the end. No need to book just come along.

All held at SEND CENTRAL, Children's Centre on the site of Clifton Green Primary School, Water Lane York YO30 6JA Tel: 01904 555076 Email: SENDCENTRAL@york.gov.uk

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