

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 9th July 2026

Summer 2 Term

Hello everyone

As we reach the end of another wonderful school year, I would like to take a moment to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone who makes our little school such a special place.

Firstly, to our incredible staff team, thank you for your unwavering commitment, dedication and care throughout the year. Time and time again, you go above and beyond for our children and families, giving so much of yourselves to ensure every child feels valued, supported and inspired. Your passion and teamwork are what make our school so special, and I feel incredibly privileged to work alongside you.

To our amazing children, thank you for being simply the best! You make us smile every day with your kindness, enthusiasm, resilience and sense of fun. We are so proud of all that you have achieved this year, both in and out of the classroom, and you continue to remind us why our school is such a wonderful place to be.

To our families, thank you for your continued support, encouragement and partnership. Whether you have attended events, supported learning at home, volunteered your time or simply trusted us with your precious children each day, we are incredibly grateful. Schools thrive when families and staff work together, and we are fortunate to have such a supportive community around us.

A special thank you must also go to our fantastic volunteers. Whether you listen to readers, lend a hand with jobs around school, donate resources, support trips and events, or quietly help behind the scenes, your generosity of time and spirit makes an enormous difference. We simply couldn't do all that we do without you.

Finally, thank you to our wonderful governors who work tirelessly behind the scenes to support and challenge school leadership. Your guidance, encouragement and commitment to our school community are greatly appreciated.

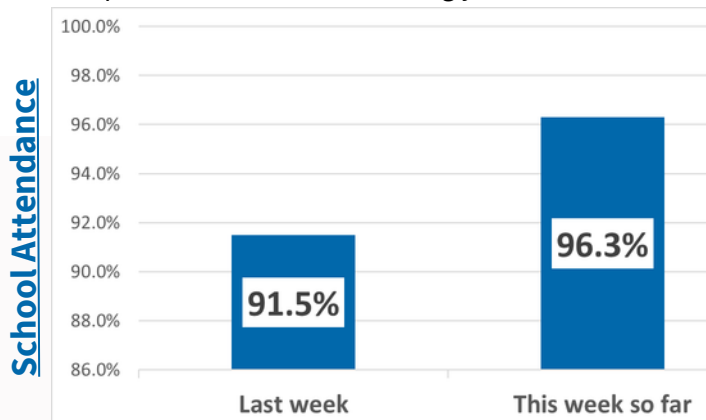
As we look towards the final week of term, we hope to see many of you at our two Summer Shows, taking place at **9.30am and 1.30pm tomorrow**. Please remember that, due to space, families only need to attend one performance.

We would also love to welcome everyone to our **End of Year Celebration Assembly next Friday (17th) at 9.30am**. This is not just for Year 6 families but for our whole school community as we come together to celebrate another fantastic year and all that has been achieved.

Thank you once again for being part of our wonderful school community. I wish you all a happy, restful and well-deserved summer break, and staff look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year ahead.

Together we can.

Sian Mitchell
Headteacher



DIARY DATES

JULY

Fri 10th

School production 9.30am & 2.15pm

Sun 12th

Leavening Village Fete

Tues 14th

Year 6 Treat Day Out

Weds 15th

Yr 5 Experience Day: Norton College

Thurs 16th

Time Odyssey Trip (Oak Trees)
Flamingo Land Trip (Conkers)

Fri 17th

Last day of term
End of year assembly 9.30am
Refreshments from 9am.
All welcome!

Yr6/Parents Rounders
11am then stay for lunch

SEPTEMBER

Mon 7th

Training Day

Tues 8th

First day of term

Sports Fixtures:

15/07: Mixed sports (Conkers)

Looking ahead to next term:

Autumn 1:

KS2 Football and Benchball

Autumn 2:

Year 3/4 Football and Benchball

Pop-Up Library Dates:

24th September

15th October

12th November

5th December (collection only)

Our Safeguarding Team at Leavening CP School:

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is: **Mrs Mitchell**

Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead is: **Mrs Bennett** | Our Safeguarding Governor is: **Mrs Isaacs**

RECENT SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Playground Proms

Friday 26th June, a scorching hot day across the country, was memorable for other reasons here at Leavening. We were very lucky to host a concert by Graffiti Classics a string quartet who are part of the Playground Proms team. This followed our session with Hamish exploring music and movement.

I will never forget the sheer joy and cheer experienced in our hall that morning as the performers brought such entertainment to their performances. Not only did they perform brilliantly, but brought their instruments alive too, squashing us on the benches and leaning over us to immerse everybody in sound. Dancing, humour and technical brilliance were enjoyed by all. Thank you Playground Proms for such a delightful experience and thanks to everybody who came and shared this spectacle with us.

We are just so lucky!



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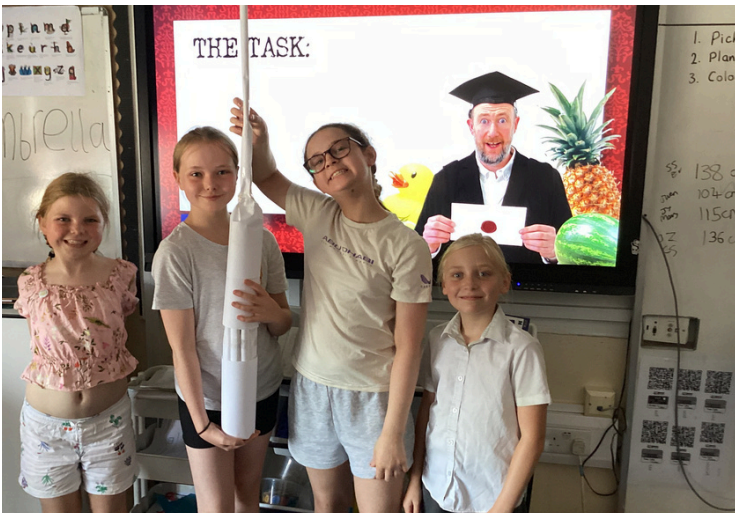
Oak Trees Rise to the Challenge!

Oak Trees enjoyed taking on a summer heat appropriate maths task from the taskmaster!

They were challenged to collaborate and work logically, to build the tallest tower out of paper and tape. The teams worked hard at communicating ideas and taking it in turns to lead or instruct.

It was lovely to see the effort put in from all class members and the encouragement from our older children.

Well done Oaks!





NYC SEND Hubs

Communication & Interaction Team

'Come and talk to us for advice and support around all aspects of your child's speech, language & communication skills'.

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY ~ PLEASE BOOK

Where & When

- **Monday 27th of July 2026 10:00-12:00noon** at Whitby & District Children's centre, Byland Road, Whitby, YO21 1HY
- **Monday 27th of July 2026 1:00-3:00pm** at Malton Library, 6, Saint Michael Street, Malton YO17 7LJ
- **Tuesday 28th of July 2026 10:00-12:00 noon** in the Yellow Room, at Our-Space Children's & Families Hub, Moor Lane Scarborough, YO11 3LW
- **Tuesday 28th of July 2026 1.30-3.30pm** at Scarborough Library & Information Centre Vernon Rd, Scarborough YO11 2NN
- **Wednesday 29th of July 2026 10:00-12:00noon** at Norton Hive Library & Community Hub, 86 Commercial St, Malton YO17 9ES
- **Wednesday 29th July 2026 2.00-4.00pm** at Atmosphere Children and Family Hub, The Old Court House Malton Road Pickering YO18 7JJ

Who will be there?

Amancay Topping – Speech & Language Therapist

Zoe Green - Speech & Language Therapy Assistant

Please contact us to book a slot, or for any queries please ring 07977 710109 or email Amancay.Topping@northyorks.gov.uk, Thank you

☐ SUMMER SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

Helping you and your family through the summer holidays

The summer break can be a challenging time for family life. Many parents and carers are juggling extra pressures—childcare, finances, and changes in routine. If things are starting to feel overwhelming, you are not alone. Support is available, and reaching out can make a real difference.

☐ NEED URGENT HELP?

☐ Immediate Danger: Call 999

☐ Children & Families Service Safeguarding: Call 0300 131 2 131

☐☐☐ Parenting Advice & National Support

Coram Family Lives

Support with behaviour, mental health, and relationships.
☐ familylives.org.uk | ☐ 0808 800 2222 (Online chat available)

Young Minds – Parent Helpline

Advice if you are worried about your child's mental health.
☐ youngminds.org.uk | ☐ 0808 802 5544

Place2Be – Parenting Smart

Practical tips from child mental health experts.
☐ Search: Place2Be Parenting Smart Articles

NSPCC

Guidance for a wide range of family concerns.
☐ nspcc.org.uk/advice-for-families

Togetherness

Free online parenting courses for children aged 0–19.
☐ Search: North Yorkshire Togetherness | ☐ Access Code: NYFamilies

☐ Local Support: Ryedale Area

☐ Foodbanks (Referral Required)

To access these foodbanks, please obtain a voucher from NYC Council, Citizens Advice, schools, or your GP.

Branch	Location & Contact	Opening Times
Norton	7A Howe Road, YO17 9BH ☐ 01653 228118	Wed: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM / Fri: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Pickering	Hungate Centre, YO18 7DG ☐ 07821 664765	Thu: 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Kirkbymoorside	Methodist Church School, YO62 6DQ ☐ 07821 664764	Thu: 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

☐ Community Fridges & Food Shares (Open to All)

No referrals needed! Help save food waste and grab what you need. Please bring your own bags.

Malton Free Fridge

☐ The Wesley Centre, Saville Street, Malton, YO17 7LL ☐ Monday, Wednesday, & Saturday | 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM (or until food runs out)

The Pickering Food Share

☐ Ings Garth Community Centre, Pike Road, Pickering, YO18 8SY ☐ Wednesday | 12:00 PM – 2:30 PM

Kirkbymoorside Community Fridge

☐ Methodist Church Hall, Piercy End, YO62 6DQ ☐ Wednesday | 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM (☐ 'Pay as you feel' donations welcomed)

**SUMMER
HOLIDAY
ART
WORKSHOPS**

**helmsley
artscentre**

28TH & 29TH JULY

DOODLE FEST

28TH JULY 10AM-3PM (AGES 8-11)

29TH JULY 10.30AM-11.30AM (AGES 5-7)

29TH JULY 1PM-4PM (AGES 12-16)



BOOKING ESSENTIAL: BOX OFFICE 01439 771700
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