



The Huntington Buzz



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Curriculum Update



We have had successful start to 2025 and our children have broaden their horizons beyond York through our '#Belong - Our World' theme. The children have learnt how they belong to a diverse and interesting world. Year 1 has thought about how Australia is different to the UK and Year 2 has focused on Africa, in particular Kenya, and compared it to York and the UK. Year 3 has learnt about how extreme the Earth can be. Year 4 has thought about the legacy of the Mayans and how they have impacted on the World. Year 5 went even further afield and learnt about the 'Space race'. Year 6 has thought about what life was like in Ancient Egypt and the impact it has had on the World.

The children have then decorated 'pebbles' with designs inspired from their topics. These will be incorporated into our 'Sensory Garden' as a lasting memory of our 'Belong - Our World' theme.

We now move into the second half of the Spring term and will be encouraging the children's curiosity. We will end the term by giving the children the opportunity to be curious about other year groups' projects.

Below you will see the journey of the topics that link between year groups. You will also receive via email the parent guide for your child's year group which gives you more detail about the subjects and content within the main theme.



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Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 26th February - Year 2 - Lotherton Hall

Friday 28th February - Year 2, 5 and 6 - NSPCC Workshops

Wednesday 5th March - Year 2, 5 and 6 - NSPCC Workshops

Thursday 6th March - World Book Day - Toby Glover (author) visiting school

W/C Monday 17th March - Year 5 - Bikeability (Monday, Thursday and Friday afternoons)

Thursday 20th March - Parents' Evening

W/C Monday 24th March - Year 5 - Bikeability (Monday, Thursday and Friday afternoons)

Tuesday 25th March - Parents' Evening

Monday 7th April - Monday 21st April - Easter Holiday (School reopens on Tuesday 22nd April)

READING UPDATE

We had the pleasure of welcoming Toby Glover (a children's author) into school to read with the children and to help open our new library. Toby loved his visit so much that he has asked to return again on World Book Day to share more of his stories.

A big thank you to Friends of Huntington Primary Academy for their contributions to the development and relocation of our school library. We are looking forward to welcoming the children and their families into school to have a look at this new space in the next few weeks.

We recently secured a grant from the English Hub to invest in more Little Wandle books for school. These additions mean that we are now able to send physical reading books home with children in EYFS and Y1.



We continue to subscribe to the School Lottery. Tickets are just £1. There is a £25,000 jackpot and regular wins dictated by the number of tickets sold. When you win you can claim the money or donate back to school. Thank you to this week's winner for the donation! We are currently a little way off our target so follow the link to buy tickets!

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play>

TOYS IN SCHOOL

Please can you remind children not to bring toys into school. There is a risk they will be lost or damaged and cause upset. Please discuss any special arrangements or considerations with your child's class teacher.

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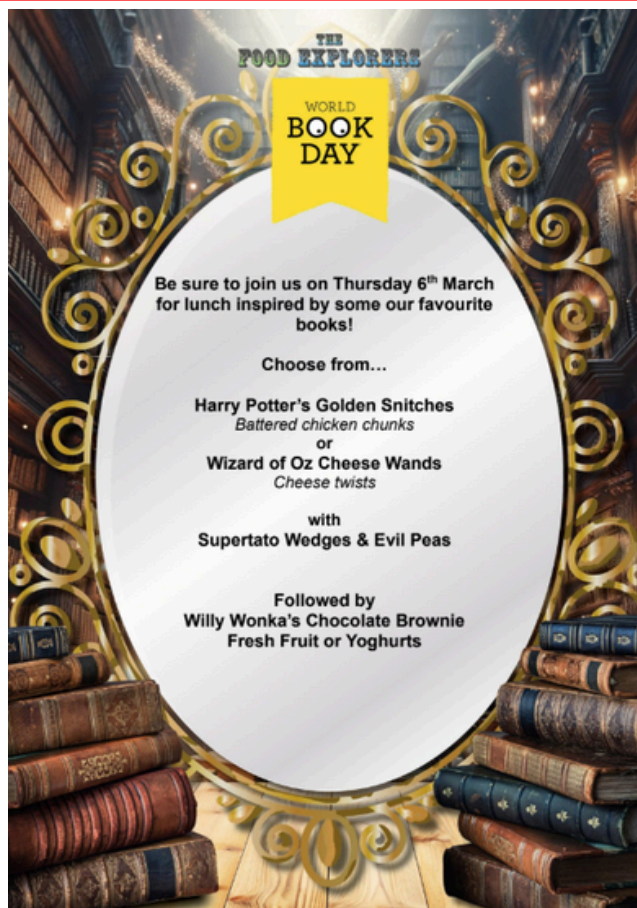


Local Update

York Sport Launches Sensory Friendly Swimming Sessions

York Sport is delighted to announce the launch of its first Sensory Friendly Swim sessions, designed to create an inclusive and serene swimming environment for individuals with sensory needs and anyone seeking a peaceful aquatic experience. The new sessions offer thoughtful adjustments and interactive elements to ensure participants can fully enjoy the benefits of swimming in a calm, supportive setting.

Find out more or book online: <https://www.york-sport.com/families/family-swimming>



Safer Internet Day 2025

PROTECTING YOURSELF AND OTHERS FROM SCAMS ONLINE – SAFER INTERNET DAY 2025

This week, our school joined others nationwide to celebrate Safer Internet Day 2025, the largest global online safety campaign. This year's theme, 'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online,' focuses on teaching children and young people how to identify and avoid scams, and highlights available support.

Scams can take many forms and target anyone, including young people. You may think that your child would be able to spot an online scammer, but the truth is that they are incredibly convincing and hard to spot. They often involve fake profiles and identities to target people. You may have heard this referred to as 'catfishing.' If your child has been targeted by a scam online and they have been made to do something that they didn't want to, then they are not to blame, they are not in trouble, and support is available.

SAFER INTERNET DAY 2025

Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online



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RESOURCES TO USE AT HOME

- You can complete the [UK Safer Internet Centre's interactive quizzes](#) with your child about this theme.
- Read the UK Safer Internet Centre's top tips for parents and carers [here](#).
- You can share the UK Safer Internet Centre's [top tips for children and young people](#) with your child.