

Yorke Mead School Newsletter



Friday 15th March 2024



This week at Yorke Mead!

Understanding each other better!



Dates for the diary

This week	This Month	Next Month
19 th Mar – Year 1 trip/ Rowan Music trip 20 th Mar – Maths Day 21 st Mar – Class photos	27 th Mar – Y6 trip Hampton Court Rec Height/Weight checks 28 th Mar – Dance Morning – see section below for times Rec Height/Weight checks	Easter Break

Learning Next Week

Nursery – Acorns Focus- 'Ready, Steady, Grow'. Story- The Teeny Tiny Tadpole. Learning about the life cycle of a frog. Rhyme Time- Mary, Mary, Quite Contrary- rhyming words. Using positional language within our play. Planting seeds. Tasting our homegrown mushrooms.			Reception – Lime & Willow Focus: 'Ready steady grow' topic. Spring walk to take photographs for Easter cards. Planting lettuce and potatoes. Going on a bug hunt Maths: Combining 2 small quantities to find a total by 'counting on' Phonics: Assessment of half term's learning. Reading longer words with phase 3 digraphs and writing a sentence. Rehearsing our dance for the dance festival
Year 1 – Elder & Silver Birch English: writing a story using thinking about adjectives. Phonics & spelling: /ch/ school /z/ freeze /a/ ball Maths: measure: length and Maths Day! Science: to predict whether materials will float or sink and say way Wider Curriculum: trip to Bhaktivedanta Manor / What are the physical features of India? P4C/Growth Mindset:	Year 2 – Cedar & Horse Chestnut English: The Magic Finger - write our own version of the story focussing on a beginning, a middle and an end. Phonics & spelling: Why do some words have the spelling 'ey' for 'ee'? Why do some words end in -le, -al, -ll or -el Maths: finding fractions of amounts Science: food chains - producers and consumers Wider Curriculum: How do I use a sharp knife safely and what is a bridge cut?/ How do playground games of the past compare to those of today? P4C/Growth Mindset: How can I sort foods in to the correct food groups?	Year 3 – Laurel & Sycamore English: The Bear and the Piano Phonics & spelling: suffix 'ment' 'ness' Maths: short multiplication Science: life cycle of flowering plants Wider Curriculum: What are the key events of Lent, Holy Week and Salvation?/ Understanding the timeline of the Bronze Age P4C/Growth Mindset: Can I identify things I need to keep safe from?	
Year 4 – Maple & Pine English: writing our own travel brochure Phonics & spelling: Yr 3 / 4 statutory words Maths: adding and subtracting fractions Science: switches Wider Curriculum: What are some of the key capital cities in Europe? P4C/Growth Mindset: What is alcohol and how does it affect us?	Year 5 – Ash & Rowan English: developing our understanding and use of descriptive, powerful and figurative language through Beowulf Phonics & spelling: commonly used and frequently misspelt words Maths: fractions, decimals and percentages /Constructing moving toys using equipment safely and accurately Wider Curriculum: Viking Life P4C/Growth Mindset: Body Image	Year 6 – Red Oak and White Oak English: Alma- writing suspense Phonics & spelling: words with 'ough' Maths: ratio and proportion Science: investigating the refraction of light Wider Curriculum: What was life like in Tudor Times? P4C/Growth Mindset:	

Dance Morning

To ensure all classes have an audience we ask that parents stay for the whole session; please if you cannot stay, do not come as it is disheartening for children to dance to empty seats. Each dance lasts just a few minutes and we split the classes into two sessions so that each session lasts no longer than around 30 minutes.

Session One: 9:15am Nursery, Willow, Silver Birch, Cedar, Sycamore, Maple, Ash, Red Oak

Session Two 10:00am Lime, Elder, Horse Chestnut, Laurel, Pine, Rowan, White Oak

Unfortunately, there will be some parents with pupils in both sessions, and I can only apologise.

This is a lovely morning; I hope you can come along and enjoy the dances from all year groups.

FOYM – Thank you



A huge thankyou to everyone who supported and helped at the Mother's Day Cake sale last week. Look what we can do when we pull together!



Sport Consultation Permission

We are trying as much as possible to save paper and printing costs – looking after our pennies and the environment. Mr Furling has asked me to remind parents that when permission requests for the competitions are sent out, these are intended to be responded to online and not printed. Thank you.

Road Safety and Walking for Health

For the next two weeks we will be taking part in the Big Walk and Wheel event. Get your walking shoes out, leave the car keys on the side and let's do our bit for the environment and our healthy bodies by walking, scooting, or cycling to school.

If you live a long way from school – no excuses – park away from the school and do as much of the journey as you can on two wheels or by foot.



Help your child help their class to win the Golden Boot!





Eco-Minute

Yorke Mead Eco Council have signed up for the Big Battery Hunt. We would like your help to support us in being recycling superstars by bringing your used batteries to school. There will be a collection box in each year group where batteries can be dropped, and a special award for the year group collecting the most batteries.

Batteries should be sent in by 15th June.



CALLING ALL LITTER HEROES!

#LITTERHEROS THE GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN

KEEPING CROXLEY SPECIAL

TOGETHER WE WILL UNITE WITH THOUSANDS OF #LITTERHEROS NATIONWIDE AS WE PARTICIPATE IN THE NATION'S LARGEST MASS-ACTION ENVIRONMENTAL CAMPAIGN.

SATURDAY 9TH MARCH, 11AM - 3PM

Meet at Weston Wood, WD3 3AT, to embark on a litter picking journey around the woods, canal and Croxley Common Moor.

TUESDAY 13TH MARCH, 11AM - 4.30PM

Meeting at the Parish Council Offices for an adventure around our public footpaths and boundary.



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Letters sent out this week.

Year 2 History of Schools Afternoon
Year 6 Rickmansworth School Science Lesson
Year 1 Bhaktivedanta Manor reminder

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