



5th December 2025

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## Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well as the nights draw in and things get busy in the lead up to Christmas. It has certainly been a packed few weeks at school, and there have been some wonderful highlights, particularly from very recent events at our school.

Our Battle of the Bands event last night was a tremendous success, with a fantastic turnout and incredible performances from many talented student musicians. It was inspiring to see such skill and creativity on display. Well done to all of the participants, with a special mention to Oscar and Scarlett for being crowned overall winners!

A huge thank you to everyone who has supported our foodbank collection today. Your generosity has provided much-needed supplies for our local community, and the staff and students' Christmas-themed outfits brought plenty of cheer to the day.

Of course there is still plenty more festive fun to look forward to. We're excited for the Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 17th December for KS3 and Thursday 18th December for KS4 and 5, as well as the always-popular Sixth Form Pantomime in the last week of term, which is shaping up to be another brilliant performance.

Thank you for your continued support in making these events so special.

Warm regards,

**Matt Smith**



Headteacher

## Dates for the Diary

Our quick reference guide on key dates is available to view on our Website via the link below:

[Huntington School Calendar](#)

***Please note these dates are subject to change.***

Dates to note for December and January are as follows:

### **DECEMBER**

**Thurs 11th:** Year 11 Parents' Evening (in person)

**Tues 16th:** Christmas pantomime public performance

**Fri 19th:** School closes for Christmas at 12.15

### **JANUARY**

**Mon 5th:** School opens

**Wed 7th:** Academic Awards Evening for 24/25 Y11 and Y13 Leavers

**Thurs 8th:** Y9 Progression Evening

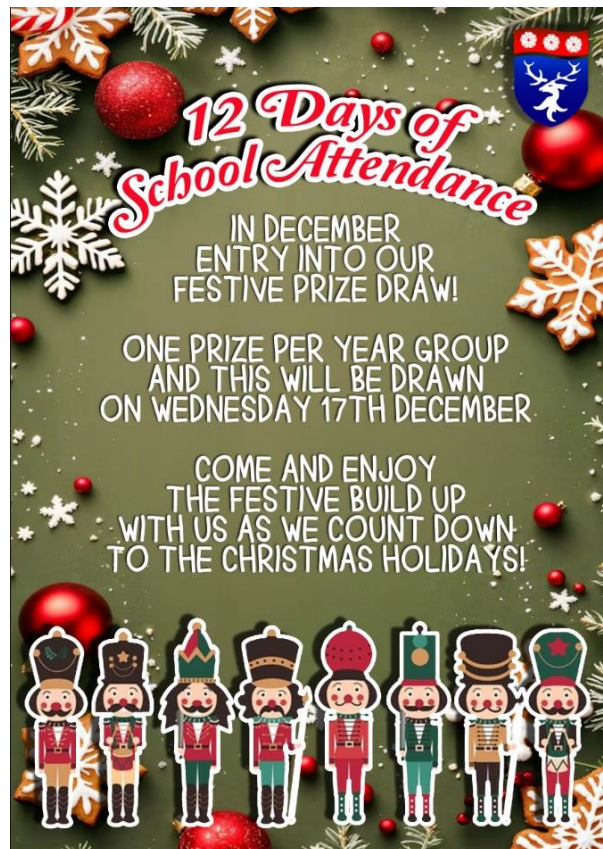
**Tues 13th:** Y11 Post-16 Taster Day 1

**Thurs 15th:** Y11 Post-16 Taster Day 2

**Thurs 15th:** Y9 Parents' Evening - Online

**Wed 28th:** Y10 Parents' Evening – In Person

## Attendance Update



This December we are having a special prize draw for students who have 12 days of attendance in December up to the 17th. All students with 12 days of December attendance on this date will be entered into a prize draw for their year group to say well done for coming to school every day - so make sure you're in it to win it!

Thank you for your support in these final few weeks of the autumn term!

Ms K Townsend and the Attendance Team

# Huntington School Community News and Events

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*At Huntington School, we're proud of the vibrant community made up of our staff, students, and their families. This year, we're keen to create more opportunities for connection and shared experiences. Please see below for two ways we can achieve this together.*

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## Parent Workshops



**Information workshops**  
3.45-4.45pm  
Huntington School

**22/10/2025 - Online safety & social media awareness**  
Learn how to help your child navigate the digital world safely, from managing screen time to understanding privacy settings. This session explores the risks and rewards of social media and how to foster healthy online habits.

**17/11/2025 - Understanding teenage brain development**  
Discover what's really going on in the teenage brain and how it affects decision-making, emotions, and behaviour. This workshop offers insights into supporting your teen through this critical stage of growth.

**15/01/2026 - Teen mental health: spotting the signs**  
Gain practical tools to recognize early signs of mental health challenges in teenagers, including anxiety, depression, and stress. Learn how to start supportive conversations and where to seek help if needed.

**02/03/2026 - Post 16 pathways explained**  
Explore the options available to students after GCSEs, including A-levels, T-levels, apprenticeships, and vocational routes. This session helps parents guide their teens in making informed choices for their future.

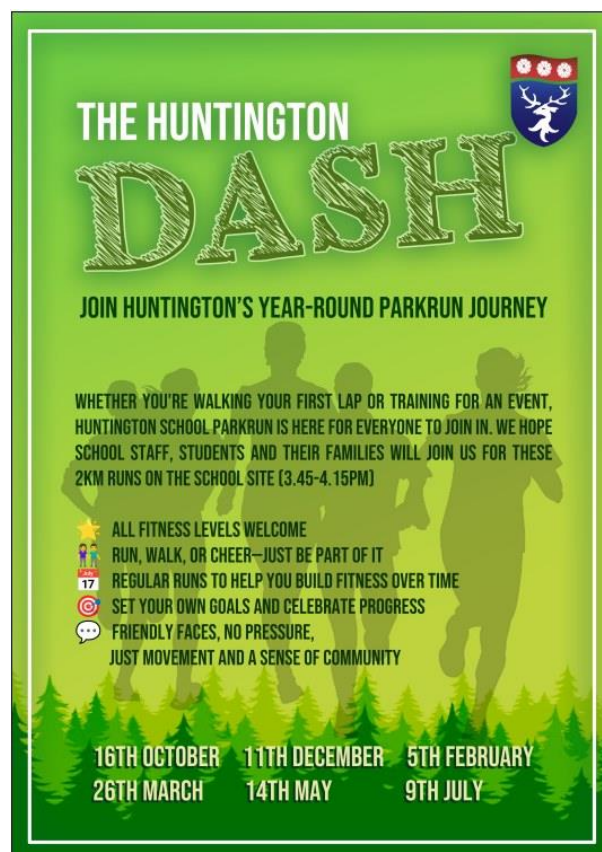
**27/04/2026 - Post 18 pathways explained**  
Understand the full range of opportunities after sixth form or college, from university and gap years to employment and training. This workshop breaks down the pros and cons of each path to support your child's next steps.

**11/06/2026 - Summer support for York families**  
Explore childcare, wellbeing, and activity opportunities available this summer through York's Family Information Service and partners.

Just a reminder of the information sessions we'll be running throughout the year. These will take place from **3:45 to 4:45pm**, and we invite you to join us at **Student Reception**. Each session will be recorded for those unable to attend in person, and children are very welcome if that makes it easier for you to come along.

Our recent parental workshop on understanding teenage brain development was another great success and we look forward to seeing lots of you at our next workshop, **Teen Mental Health: Spotting the Signs**, on **Thursday 15th January**.

## Huntington Dash



And don't forget **The Huntington Dash** — our school park run that brings together students, staff, parents and carers for fitness and fun.

Our next run is on **Thursday 11th December - with a FESTIVE theme**, so we hope to see lots of you there with your Santa hats, Christmas jumpers and tinsel! (But of course, please don't let this put you off - regular running gear is of course allowed 😊).

### Huntington School PTA

In some big news for our school we have launched a new PTA (official name to be decided!) with our first meeting last week. We were delighted to welcome interested and enthusiastic parents to school to discuss how to move forward with a PTA that can support the school by organising fundraising events and providing a voice to parents and pupils.

We hope to update you in the New Year with news on how we will be moving forward and what this means for Huntington School community. If you are interested in becoming involved and didn't fill out the form sent earlier this term, please email Mrs Beth Prihar (PA to the Senior Leadership Team) at [b.prihar@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:b.prihar@huntington-ed.org.uk).

Thank you in advance for your support!

Mrs J Kettlewell and Mrs B Prihar

## Celebrating your child's achievements

We love to hear about your children's achievements out of school, so if you have anything to share, please use the email address [celebrate@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:celebrate@huntington-ed.org.uk).

Please also let us know in the email if you give permission for your child's name (either just first name or both first and last names) to be shared in the newsletter and/or on Facebook, and if you attach any photos, whether you give permission for these to be published in the newsletter and/or on Facebook.

Thank you 🙏

## Sporting Round up

### Cross Country

We are super proud of all our athletes that represented Huntington in the York & District Cross Country event on Tuesday 18th November and for those that qualified to the next round. Despite the mud, rain and freezing temperatures these resilient students powered through and gave it their all 🏃🏃🏃







### York Knights Assembly

It was an absolute pleasure to welcome the York Knights in to deliver an assembly to our GCSE PE students and keen rugby players on Wednesday.

The assembly was about a campaign called 'On the Same Team' which is about inspiring positive behaviours and inclusive attitudes in young people.

Adam Prentis, the lead community development liaison spoke passionately about the campaign, delivering an inspiring talk to the students.

He brought along 3 of the first team players, Jordan Lipp, Jack Martin and Scott Galeano, to the delight of the students. He asked them questions about the journeys they had been on to get themselves into a position to represent the club in the Super League. It was great to hear their stories. All 3 players have moved to the UK from Australia to follow their dreams.

At the end of the assembly, the students were given the opportunity to shake hands with the players which was a really lovely end to the assembly.

We thank York Knights for coming into school and wish them all the very best in their upcoming season in the Super League. We will be right behind them, supporting them all the way.





## Rowing with Rhinos at Headingley Stadium

The Y7 and Y8 indoor rowing team competed in a rowing festival against 19 other school from across Yorkshire last week. They were a credit to the school and we had some high finishing positions. There will be another event in the New Year, and Mr Currie's indoor rowing club continues on a Wednesday lunchtime in the gym.





### JKS National Karate Championship

We are delighted to report the success of Harrison in Year 12 who competed in the National Karate Championships last month:

- 🏆 Inclusive Kata JKS National Champion - gold
- 🏆 Male Junior Team Kumite Champion - gold
- 🥈 Male Junior Individual Kumite - silver

We are really proud of Harrison - well done to him for such an incredible achievement!



#### Local Girls' Rugby Recruitment

Heworth ARLFC are trying to build their girls teams and are actively recruiting for next season.

Rowntrees RLFC are recruiting for their girls teams too.

Please see the recruitment posters for more information.

If you would like to have a look at the teams on Facebook you can click on the links below:

Heworth Rugby League - <https://www.facebook.com/share/1AB6mxj2WJ/>

Rowntrees Rugby Union -

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**COME AND JOIN OUR GIRLS TEAMS**

**UNDER 14S**  
SCHOOL YEARS 7&8

**UNDER 15S**  
SCHOOL YEARS 9 & 10

**UNDER 16S**  
SCHOOL YEAR 11

PRE SEASON TRAINING WILL COMMENCE IN JANUARY EVERY MONDAY AT FULFORD IMPHAL BARRACKS, FULFORD RD, YORK. YO10 4HD. 6:30 - 7:30PM.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT JAMES ALLEN ON 07817 628314

HEWORTH ARLFC, ELM PARK WAY, YORK. YO31 1DX.  
HEWORTHRL.CO.UK | @HEWORTHRUGBY | HEWORTHRL@GMAIL.COM

**RUFC**

NESTLE ROWNTREE RUFC GIRLS TRAINING

AGE 11 - 16 WELCOME

🕒 TUESDAYS | 7:15PM - 8:45PM

📍 YSJ PLAYING FIELDS ON HAXBY ROAD - YO31 8TA

☎ FOR MORE INFO CALL MARK ON +44 7949 374848

## Getting Ready for Colder Weather and Outdoor PE

As the temperatures drop, we want to make sure students stay warm and comfortable during outdoor PE lessons. Our usual PE kit is still the default, but at this time of year, adding a few extra layers really helps!

Recommendations:

- **Extra Layers:** Skins/thermals or an extra T-shirt under PE kit are great for warmth.
- **Recommended PE Kit/ Items from the PE Uniform Options:** Joggers/leggings and the sweatshirt to go over the polo shirt and/or rugby top for outdoor lessons.
- **Gloves and Hats:** Fine to wear when it's really cold.
- **Socks:** Long socks for games lessons—Spare socks too; lots of students have been caught out without extras recently!
- **Towel:** Handy for muddy legs after rugby sessions.
- **Label Extra Items:** Please label any additional clothing so it doesn't get lost.

We do have some spare kit available, so if there are any issues, just let us know by note or email and we'll support your child.

Outdoor lessons will continue when it's safe, so please make sure students are dressed for the conditions.

Thank you for helping us keep everyone warm and ready to learn!

## Clubs Update: Art Club and New Chess Masterclass



### **Art Club**

Y7 have made clay pumpkin tealight holders in art club. They learnt to combine pinch pots, carve out lids and add glaze. Some of the students were hugely committed and are now

creating Christmas related clay items! All the pumpkins looked absolutely fantastic, as we think you'll agree.

Mrs Sellars



### **New After-School Chess Masterclass – Starting After Christmas!**

We are excited to announce a new Chess Improvement Club for all year groups, running every Wednesday from 3:15 pm to 4:00 pm. This is not just a social session – it's a focused learning opportunity designed to help students develop their chess skills and deepen their understanding of the game.

Each session will begin with a short 10–15 minute interactive demo where we explore key ideas such as Chess Notation, Opening Strategies, and Core Principles. After the demo, we will put these concepts into practice by playing games that focus on the new ideas learned. We'll use high-quality resources, including chess books and online videos, to ensure engaging and accurate instruction.

This is a fantastic chance to improve the quality of play, build confidence, and enjoy the challenge of strategic thinking. The club will start after the Christmas break, and spaces are open to all year groups (**including Sixth Form as we'd like to get a senior team together for our next tournament**), as well as their families and school staff.

**When:** Wednesdays, 3:15 pm – 4:00 pm

**Where:** R207. Parents/ carers please meet in main receptions

**Who:** All year groups – students, staff, and families!

## Huntington School PDP Debating Society Competition

Members of the Huntington School PDP Debating Society competed in the regional round of the prestigious ESU Mace competition at St Peters School this month. The Huntington team had to propose the motion of introducing a tourism tax in major cities facing overtourism. Aris Isbasoiu, Jacob McCullough (both in Year 13) and Amelia Edwards (Year 12) prepared diligently and spoke eloquently and with respect on the evening, all of them representing the school superbly. Aris even got to chair the second debate! Congratulations to Malton and St Peters who advanced to the next round.



## Sixth Form Trip to the Web

Last Thursday 170 Sixth Formers went for (let's be honest) a play at the Web Adventure Park! The northern edge of the A1237 has never looked so festive, and it was a fantastic evening on the rides, laser tag, and other activities. It was the first time the Web have hosted a Sixth Form for exclusive evening use of the site, and they were delighted with how our students conducted themselves. A particular highlight of the evening was the huge, chaotic games of 'Stuck in the Mud' that were played in the cages and slides of the main soft play arena. The students had enormous fun and were particularly grateful to the 17 Huntington staff who came along to supervise (and have a play themselves!) as well as Mrs Blunt, who organised the trip.











## Year 10 Work Experience

### **Year 10 Work Experience Monday 13th July 2026 - Friday 17th July 2026**

If your child is still looking for a work experience placement, why not try Career Bay? It's a great starting point for finding opportunities, bringing together employers who are happy to offer placements to students.

Please note: these placements are not organised by the school, and the school is not responsible for the content. However, they provide excellent chances to gain experience and develop transferable skills. Even if you can't find a role in your preferred sector, options such as charity shops are ideal for building communication, teamwork, and problem-solving skills that will help in any career.

[Careerbay – Find Year 10-13 Work Experience and Apprenticeships near you](#)

If your child has already secured a placement, please encourage them to return their completed work placement preparation sheet to Aspirations, or upload their employer's details onto Unifrog. Replacement sheets are available from Aspirations or can be accessed below.

[Work placement preparation form .docx](#)

For any work experience queries, please email [k.barker@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:k.barker@huntington-ed.org.uk).

For general careers queries, please email [s.daniel@huntington-ed.org.uk](mailto:s.daniel@huntington-ed.org.uk).

## Post-16 Pathways

A reminder that the City of York Council's annual Post-16 Pathways Guide has been added to the Year 11 Leavers section of our school website.

This is a very important document that outlines the full range of education, training, and support options available to students after Year 11, including guidance for those with SEND or an EHCP. The City of York Council is very clear that this guide must be shared with all parents and carers of Year 11 students.

You can view the guide directly via the link below, or access it through our school website, where you'll also find other useful information to help support your child as they prepare for their future career:

Direct Link: [Post-16 Guide 2025 - 2026](#)

Huntington Aspirations Website: [Huntington School - Aspirations Careers Department](#)

Kind Regards,

Mr Shane Daniel

Huntington School Aspirations Teaching and Learning Manager

## Sweet and Biscuit Tubs/Boxes

A reminder that the Food Technology department would be very grateful for any empty sweet or biscuit tubs/boxes or Tupperware. Please leave at reception for collection or students can bring to the Food Technology department.

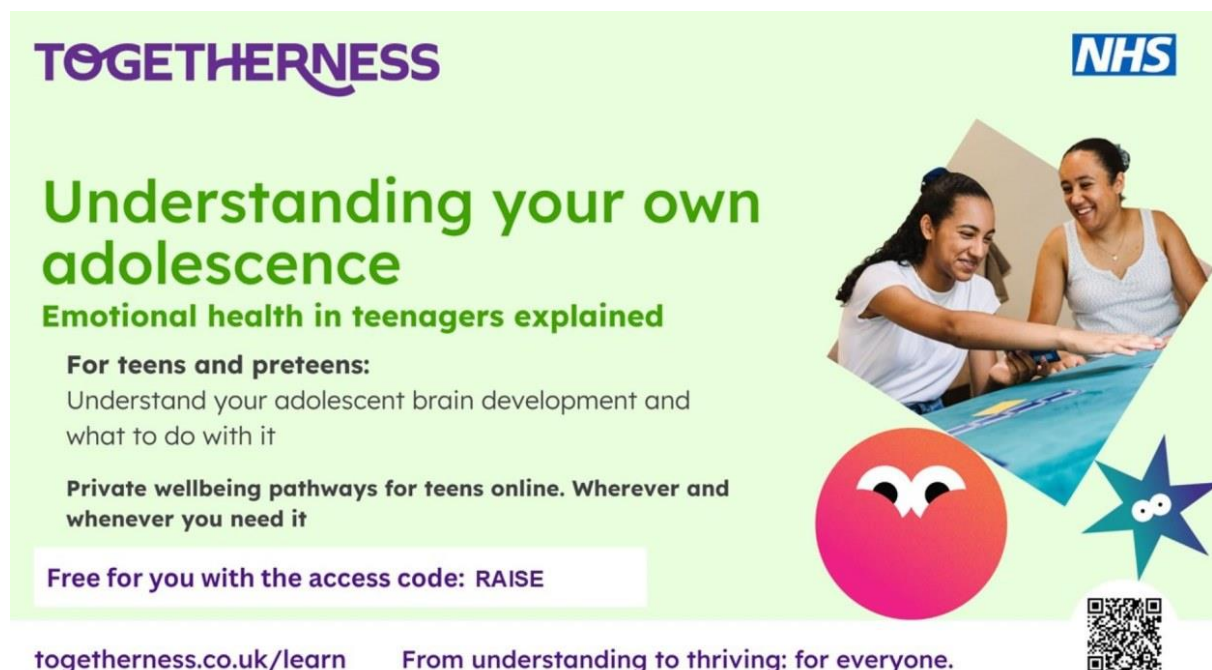
Thank you

Mr G Littlewood

## Support for Parents and Students

### NHS Togetherness Parent Support

A reminder that NHS Togetherness has shared some helpful resources for parents experiencing all the big emotions of growing children. Togetherness is the new face of *inourplace*, the NHS emotional health digital learning hub funded in your area to provide your family with free access to expert learning about childhood development, wellbeing, brain changes, and much more to help you to connect with your children and make sure they thrive. Please click on the [link](#) to see a quick round up of what we think is great on Togetherness for this half term. You can also see some great online learning opportunities below.



**TOGETHERNESS** **NHS**

## Understanding your own adolescence

### Emotional health in teenagers explained

**For teens and preteens:**  
Understand your adolescent brain development and what to do with it

**Private wellbeing pathways for teens online. Wherever and whenever you need it**

**Free for you with the access code: RAISE**

[togetherness.co.uk/learn](https://togetherness.co.uk/learn) From understanding to thriving: for everyone.

QR code

The graphic features a light green background with a photograph of two young women looking at a tablet. There are also two stylized icons: a pink circle with white eyes and a blue star with white eyes. A QR code is located in the bottom right corner.

# TOGETHERNESS

## For healthier relationships and happier lives

Your online learning journey to emotional  
resilience for the every day

**Proven to make a difference for emotional wellbeing.**

For your parenting and important relationships

Free for you with the access code: RAISE



[togetherness.co.uk/learn](https://togetherness.co.uk/learn)

From understanding to thriving: for everyone.

# TOGETHERNESS

## Understanding your teenager's brain

**Grow emotional resilience in adolescence.  
Together.**

- Learn about the impact of adolescent brain development
- Find ideas for connecting, talking and problem solving together
- Build confidence in having conversations that care for mental wellbeing

Free for you with the access code: RAISE



[togetherness.co.uk/learn](https://togetherness.co.uk/learn)

From understanding to thriving: for everyone.

**TOGETHERNESS**



## Understanding your child with additional needs

**Building emotional health together for you and your unique child.**

An online learning pathway to help you and your child thrive.

Free for you with the access code: RAISE



[togetherness.co.uk/learn](https://togetherness.co.uk/learn)

From understanding to thriving: for everyone.

**TOGETHERNESS**



## Understanding your child: from toddler to teenager

For confident, resilient, emotionally intelligent children

**Online learning proven to make a difference for families.**

Helping you understand more about child behaviour, big feelings and build your confidence in parenting

Free for you with the access code: RAISE



[togetherness.co.uk/learn](https://togetherness.co.uk/learn)

From understanding to thriving: for everyone.

## Low Mood Webinar



# Low Mood Webinar

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December**  
**4pm - 5pm**



**YOU MATTER**



This webinar is aimed at parents or young people needing support and advice

The webinar will focus on:

- Understanding what we mean by low mood
- Understand some things you can do to help with low mood
- Discuss tips for staying well during winter and how to practice self care

### Joining Information

To join our workshop please scan the QR code and follow the instructions to join using Microsoft Teams. You can also join using the following details:



**Meeting ID: 383 185 205 015 39**  
**Passcode: vS2ce75X**

If you have any issues logging on or any questions prior to the workshop please contact



[teww.wimtwsa@nhs.net](mailto:teww.wimtwsa@nhs.net)

## SEND Central: drop ins, events and information

Please click on the images to see more detail.

This week at				
<b>SEND CENTRAL</b>				
1-5 December 2025				
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Parent Carer Forum York Navigator 9.30am-4pm Advice and information drop-in No need to book just come along	Parent Carer Forum York Navigator 9.30am-4pm Advice and information drop-in No need to book just come along	Parent Carer Forum York Navigator 9.30am-4pm Advice and information drop-in No need to book just come along	Parent Carer Forum York Navigator 9.30am-4pm Advice and information drop-in No need to book just come along	Parent Carer Forum York Navigator 9.30am-4pm Advice and information drop-in No need to book just come along
YKS Autism Hub 4.30pm- 6.30pm Bookable Only via YKS	SENDASS 10am-2.30pm Bookable slots throughout the day. Please book via SEND_CENTRAL@york.gov.uk or call 01904 555076	Early Years SEND Playgroup YKS 10am - 11.30 am All welcome no booking required	SEND Casework Duty Worker 10am-2pm Advice and information bookable slots. Please book via SENDCENTRAL@york.gov.uk or call 01904 555076	NHS Preparation for Adulthood 10am - 4pm Drop in - advice and information- All welcome no booking required.
	Portage Music Group 1.30pm-2.30pm Workshop- invite only	Think Together Team running planned workshops - invite only 10am-4pm	YKS Parent/Carer SEND drop in 9.30am-11am All Welcome no booking required	YKS Autism Hub 4.30pm- 6.30pm Bookable only via YKS
	YKS Autism Hub 4.30pm-6.30pm Bookable Only via YKS	INFORMATION SESSION - Supporting your Neurodivergent Child through the festive period. 1pm-2pm All welcome no need to book just come along.	Healthy Child Team 9am - 12pm Drop in - self weigh 0- 5 years 2pm - 3.30pm 4 month workshop- invite only.	
	YKS Siblings Group 6.45pm- 8.00pm	YKS Autism Hub 4.30pm- 6.30pm Bookable only via YKS	YKS Post 16 Group 6.30pm- 8pm	

This week at  
**SEND CENTRAL**



**8-12 December 2025**

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Wellbeing in Mind- Elective Home Education Offer 10am-4pm Drop-ins and workshops	Portage Music Group 1.30pm-2.30pm Workshop- Invite only	Early Years SEND Playgroup Portage 10am - 11.30 am All welcome no booking required	SEND Casework Duty Worker 10am-2pm Advice and information bookable slots. Please book via SENDCENTRAL@york.gov.uk or call 01904 555076	NHS Preparation for Adulthood 10am - 4pm Drop in- advice and information- All welcome no booking required.
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**SEND CENTRAL**



**15-19 December 2025**

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Wellbeing in Mind- Elective Home Education Offer Identifying and responding to big feelings 11am-11.45Home educated young people and their parents/carers come along- no booking.	Portage Music Group 1.30pm-2.30pm Workshop- Invite only	Early Years SEND Playgroup Seedlings CHRISTMAS PARTY 10am - 11.30 am All welcome no booking required	SEND Casework Duty Worker 10am-2pm Advice and information bookable slots. Please book via SENDCENTRAL@york.gov.uk or call 01904 555076	NHS Preparation for Adulthood 10am - 4pm Drop in- advice and information- All welcome no booking required.
INFORMATION SESSION - Understanding local support for Children and Young People with Sensory Processing Differences 1pm-2pm Everyone welcome no need to book just come along.	YIKS Autism Hub 4.30pm-6.30pm Bookable Only via YIKS	Think Together Team running planned workshops - invite only 10am-4pm	YIKS Parent/carer SEND drop in 9.30am-11am All Welcome no booking required	YIKS Autism Hub 4.30pm- 6.30pm Bookable only via YIKS
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This week at  
**SEND CENTRAL**

York SEND  
Local Offer

29 December- 2 January 2026

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**SEND CENTRAL**

York SEND  
Local Offer

**DECEMBER 2025 INFORMATION SESSIONS AT SEND CENTRAL IN  
COLLABORATION WITH YORK PARENT CARER FORUM- NO NEED TO  
BOOK JUST COME ALONG**

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 1pm- 2pm – Supporting your Neurodivergent Child  
through the Festive Period.**

An information session led by the Autism Specialist Teaching Team around how to best to support your child through the festive period when life and routines may look very different over the festive period.

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025 1pm- 2pm – an Information Session about Post 16  
Education and Employment Pathways**

The City of York Council Skills Team will offer an information session on support and pathways that may be available for young people Post 16 in York. The session will include information about the Specialist Learning and Employment Advisor Team (SLEAT) and the support they might be able to offer, as well as information about Post-16 employment pathways such as Supported Internships.

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December 1pm-2pm Understanding local support for children and  
young people with Sensory Processing Differences:**

An informal session describing local provision for sensory possessing differences and the Lets Make Sense Together resources. Led by Jayne Young, Ruth Ayres and Emilie Meynell from Children's Therapy Services, York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals,

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

**WELLBEING IN MIND WORKSHOPS AT SEND CENTRAL FOR CHILDREN  
AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THEIR PARENTS OR CARERS WHO ARE  
ELECTIVELY HOME EDUCATED AT SEND CENTRAL- NO NEED TO BOOK  
JUST COME ALONG**

**24th November 2025 Sensory differences workshop 11am- 11.45pm**

This workshop will be run by the wellbeing in mind team and is for parents/carers to attend with their children/young people. It will be an informal opportunity to explore sensory differences and strategies to support sensory needs. The workshop will run for 45 minutes. Teas, coffee, soft drinks, and biscuits available.

**15th Dec 2025 Identifying and responding to big feelings 11am-11.45**

This workshop will be run by the Wellbeing in Mind Team and is for parents/carers to attend with their children/young people. This workshop will provide opportunity to explore and normalise big feelings and consider strategies to help regulate in the moment. Teas, coffee, soft drinks, and biscuits available.

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



**NOVEMBER 2025 INFORMATION SESSIONS AT SEND CENTRAL IN COLLABORATION WITH YORK PARENT CARER FORUM**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1pm- 2pm – Barriers to School Attendance**

An information session led by the Educational Psychology Team around understanding barriers to school attendance and how to support your child or young person when they are experiencing significant barriers to school engagement.

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 1pm- 2pm- Welfare Rights- knowing what you may be entitled to as a family who have a child with SEND.**

An information session around the benefits that are available to families who have children and young people with SEND, a general overview to make sure you know what you should and could be accessing and if there are gaps the opportunity to book in for a follow up appointment that is personalised around claiming any benefits you may be missing.

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November 1pm – 2 pm- Elective Home Education**

An information session led by our Local Authority School Attendance Lead and a SEND navigator from the Parent Carer Forum around Elective Home Education.

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November 1pm- 2pm- ADHD a Guide for Parents**

An Information Session led by CAMHS that looks at what ADHD is. There will be a focus on looking after yourself, practical tips for helping at home and supporting your child's educational development, general tips for supporting at school.

Understanding sleep and ADHD, tips and hints.

There will also be a consideration of the referral and assessment process and what comes next.

## Out of Hours Concerns

### **SAFEGUARDING AND OUT OF HOURS CONCERNS**

If you are concerned about a young person you must contact M.A.S.H (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub Team) which is the single point of contact for all concerns about children. If there are immediate concerns about the safety of a child, you should contact North Yorkshire Police on 999.

**Contact MASH Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5.00pm:**

- telephone - 01904 551900
- email - [mash@york.gov.uk](mailto:mash@york.gov.uk)

**Contact MASH Early Help Team to make an early help referral or access advice:**

**Outside office hours, at weekends and on public holidays, contact the emergency duty team**

- telephone - 01609 780780

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