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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a busy and productive few weeks, seeing the best of our students' academic focus, fun-filled energy and community spirit as always. We kicked off the half term with the Year 13 mocks, and were proud to see the students working incredibly hard throughout their examinations. Their focus, maturity, and determination have been evident, and we are proud of the way they have approached this important stage in their preparation for the summer exams.

Last Friday also saw a wonderful whole-school Charity Day in support of our Charity of the Year, Oscar's, filled with energy, enthusiasm, and plenty of fun. Thanks to the generosity and spirit of our students, staff and families, we raised a fantastic £1,257. From lively Zumba sessions to competitive chess matches, the range of activities meant there was something for everyone, and it was a joy to see the school come together for such a positive cause.

Finally, our Matilda Junior production has been a real highlight of the half term. Our talented cast and crew - students from across the school - delivered confident, expressive, and thoroughly entertaining performances. Their commitment throughout weeks of rehearsals has truly paid off, and we are immensely proud of their achievements both on and off the stage.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It is wonderful to see our students embracing opportunities, showing kindness, and giving their best in so many different areas of school life.

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 March and April are as follows:

MARCH

Tues 17th: Y11 Revise and Succeed Evening

Mon 23rd: Chamber Concert

Wed 25th: Y7 Parents' Evening (online)

Thurs 26th: Prom Fair

Fri 27th: School closes at 12.15pm for Easter

APRIL

Mon 13th: School opens for the summer term

Mon 20th: Y8 Parents' Evening (in person)

Thurs 23rd: Live Lounge

Attendance Update

This edition we would like to draw your attention to our updated page on the school website, which provides you with useful information about attendance, punctuality, the attendance team and how to report absences and request leave of absences. You can also find a link to our attendance policy. Click the link below to be taken straight there!

[Attendance at Huntington School](#)

Many thanks for your continued support,

Ms K Townsend and the Attendance Team

Friends of Huntington School



We are delighted to report that Huntington School's new Parent, Teacher and Friends Association has officially launched and has already begun valuable work in supporting our students. The AGM on 24th February was well-attended with keen parents and staff, and the group was successful in adopting a constitution and electing members to key committee roles. In our next newsletter we will formally introduce them and let you know the dedicated Friends email address so you can contact them with any queries, suggestions, or if you want to get involved.

The Friends got started with their fundraising efforts this week by selling refreshments at the performances of Matilda Junior, and the money raised will go into a pot ready to be spent on improving the educational experiences of our students. For example, they are already looking at how they can support and enhance the uniform store - collecting donated uniform and making it available to families who wish to help save the environment by using pre-worn uniform.

We can't wait to see what's next for our new PTFA and look forward to seeing them make what we are sure will be a positive impact on our school community.

Matilda Jr

What an amazing group of young people we have had the privilege of working with on this year's show. We had over 100 students audition this year for Matilda Jr- which proved quite a task to narrow down to the final cast! We had students from all year groups involved, including performers and designers and I'm sure you'll all agree we produced the most amazing production!

The time and commitment these individuals have put into putting on this show to such a high standard is above and beyond what you could imagine. These young people have certainly grown in skill and resilience, creating life long memories of an unforgettable experience. Special thanks goes to Mrs Parker-Wakeling, Mrs Stockill, Mrs Rycroft, Ms Pelleymounter and Ollie Nash who have given up hours and hours of their time to make this possible!

I am extremely proud to be part of an amazing creative team with such fabulous students! Thank you to parents/carers for all your support in ensuring we had such a brilliant show.

Mrs Hight Subject Leader of Drama









Charity Day

As you know, we had a very successful Charity Day last week, and here is a run down of everything that happened:

Chess Tournament

Mr Buckley organised our first ever Huntington School Chess Tournament, and it was a brilliant success from start to finish. The morning sessions were full of energy, with many pupils enjoying the chance to play from Y7 all the way through to Y13— including several who had never played chess before. The atmosphere was competitive yet friendly, with plenty of laughter and enthusiasm throughout.

In the afternoon, we welcomed a fantastic mix of players from across the year groups. The standard of play was exceptional, and it was wonderful to see so many students fully engaged.

Podium finishers:

1. Leo Y10 - our first Huntington School Chess Grandmaster!
2. Rohan Y8
3. Samuel Y8

Two sixth formers joined us at the end, bringing our total to around 50 participants, with many more disappointed that the event had sold out. It was a fantastic celebration of strategy, focus and school spirit, and we are incredibly proud of everyone who took part.

Zumbathon

Mrs Fisher, Miss Elliott and Miss Roworth led an incredible all-day Zumbathon that filled the school with music, movement and smiles. Staff and students alike joined in the fun, dancing and singing their way through each session. A special thank you goes to Mrs Fisher, who kept the energy high and didn't stop dancing all day. It was a joyful, uplifting event that brought the whole community together.

The Reading Den

Mr Williams and Miss Barker created a calm and cosy Reading Den where students could relax with a book and enjoy a hot chocolate. It offered a peaceful space to celebrate the importance of reading, recognise World Book Day and raise money for a great cause. The atmosphere was warm, welcoming and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who visited.

Aussie Football

Over two lunchtimes, students took part in our Aussie Football challenge, led by Mr Paley and our resident Australian, Mr Cleverly. Pupils competed to see who could kick the ball the furthest, showing great enthusiasm and impressive skill. Our winners were Freddie for KS3, Leo for KS4 and Mr Lowe for staff.

A Fantastic Charity Day

Students also embraced the theme with orange outfits, nail varnish, hairspray and glitter tattoos, adding to the fun and colour of the event. A huge thank you to everyone who supported our charity day. It was wonderful to see how wholeheartedly students embraced each activity, enjoying themselves while helping to raise an impressive **£1,257**. Your enthusiasm, creativity and generosity made the day truly special.

If you would still like to donate, you can do so via our JustGiving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/huntingtonoscars>







Huntington School Community News and Events

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

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.

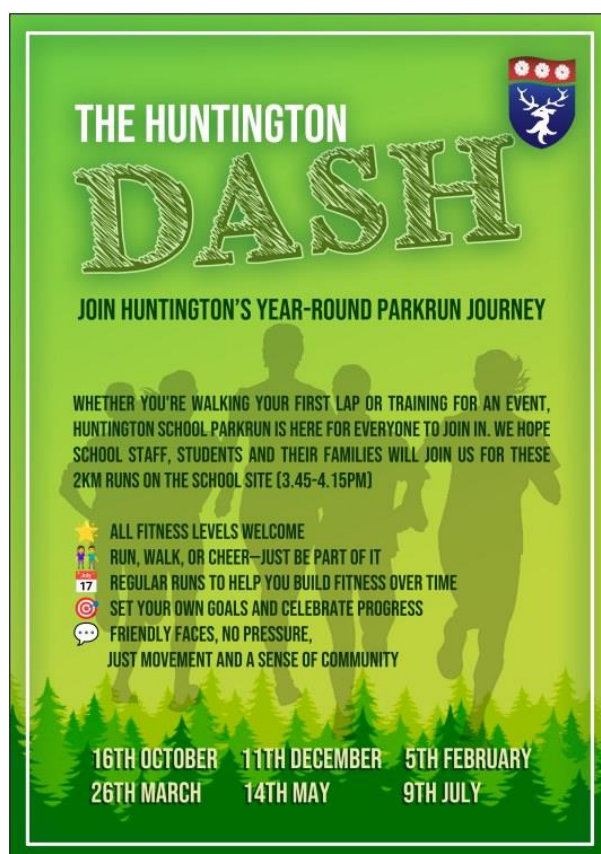
11/06/2026 - Summer support for York families
Explore childcare, wellbeing, and activity opportunities available this summer through York's Family Information Service and partners.

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 last parental workshop on Post 16 pathways was extremely useful for those of you with Year 10 and Year 11 students, and we look forward to seeing lots of you, especially our sixth form families, at our next workshop, **Post 18 Pathways explained, on Monday 27th April**, where the options available to students after sixth form or college, will be explored. We hope that this session will help parents guide their older teens in making informed choices for their future.

If you would like a recording of any of our sessions, please email b.prihar@huntington-ed.org.uk.

Huntington Dash



Don't forget to join us for some fitness fun at our very own Huntington School park run, scheduled once a half term throughout the year. All levels of fitness are welcome and we are delighted to have students, families and staff join us for an energetic (or leisurely!) 2km run/walk. We'd love you to join us at our next Dash on **Thursday 26th March!**

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.

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 😊

Online Safety Campaign

You won't know 'til you ask – Online Safety Campaign

This campaign has been launched to help parents and carers support their children to navigate the digital world safely and confidently. It brings together practical, trusted

guidance on how to start meaningful conversations about online life, understand the types of content children may encounter, and build critical thinking skills so young people can question what they see and make safer choices.

It also offers advice on using tools such as parental controls, recognising potential risks, and knowing where to seek help or report concerns. The overall aim is to make online safety an ongoing, open dialogue within families rather than a one-off conversation, helping children feel supported as they explore apps, games and social media.

You can find the resources here: <https://kidslinesafety.campaign.gov.uk/>

Vaccination Catch up Clinics

Vaccination UK have the following catch up sessions for students who have not been vaccinated in school and are due any of their childhood vaccinations.

Please call **01904 237680** to book a timeslot at your preferred location.

York Fire station YO10 4AH Friday 27th March **3.30pm - 5.30pm**

Selby Library YO8 4EQ Tuesday 31st March **10am - 2pm**

Hob Moor Children's centre YO24 4RF Friday 10th April **10am - 2pm**

Hob Moor Children's centre YO24 4RF Friday 29th May **10am - 2pm**

New Sensory Garden

The new sensory garden at our Enhanced Resource Provision (ERP), designed to promote emotional regulation and sensory integration, has been celebrated in the York Press. We were fortunate to be able to fund and build this fantastic new resource through a collaborative effort between community businesses, and we are pleased to report that it has already made a positive impact on our ERP students. You can read the full article [here](#).



Children's Book Project - Book donations

Over the next 2 weeks, 9TJB are launching a book project in the Community Action form time slot. They hope you and your families will support them in collecting good quality used books to donate to two worthy charities they have discovered: The Children's Book Project and Books2Africa. Both charities aim to give every child the opportunity to own their own book.

The Book project states that "book ownership has been directly linked with improved mental health amongst children and a greater propensity to read for pleasure, whilst reading fluency itself has a significant impact on children's successful progression through education". Books2Africa state that "According to UNESCO, 202 million students who attend school in Sub-Saharan Africa will not be able to read or write properly after finishing school due to lack of quality educational resources. An estimated 770 million across Africa have no access to electricity and 936 million still have no access to the internet!"

9TJB felt strongly that they would like to support both charities in order to support their peers both locally and internationally. We are hoping that you will support this opportunity to encourage young people to gain both pleasure from reading and build their ability to access a better education through developing their reading skills with better access to books.

Please have a look at home to discover any used books, both fact and fiction, that you would be willing to donate to these worthy causes and send them into school no later

than **Wednesday 15th April 2026**. We will collect from form rooms or, alternatively, drop them into the collecting boxes positioned at both receptions, in the Hub and the staffroom.

Thank you so much for any support you can offer this initiative.

9TJB, Mrs Stockill and Mr Burnage.



London Art Trip - Sixth Form

Sixth form art students had a lovely day yesterday in London, getting inspiration for their upcoming A-Level art exam. We visited the National Gallery where the range of work on show always inspires, Van Gogh, Monet, Matisse, Michelangelo, Leonardo da Vinci, Turner to name a few. We spent lunchtime at Leicester Square before heading south of the river to Tate Modern. The space at Tate Modern is vast and we easily spent 2 and half hours exploring the collection.

A wonderful day of art with lovely students, well done sixth form artists.















Sporting Round up

Karate Success - Lewis Y8

YEAR 8 - KARATE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BRAZIL 2026

We are incredibly proud that our Year 8 student, Lewis, has been selected to represent England at the prestigious JKS World Championships in Brazil this August 2026. Lewis was chosen to be part of the England team and is currently working hard to raise funds for the trip. At only 13 years old, he is already giving back to his community by teaching younger students at the York Karate Dojo.

If you would like to support him, you can donate through this crowdfunding page:

[Fundraiser by Joanna Simmons : Support the York Karate Dojo Squad](#)

We look forward to following Lewis on this amazing journey in the months ahead.



[Karate Success - Harrison Y12](#)

We are also delighted to report that Harrison in Y12 won two silver medals at the recent Cumbrian Children's Open Karate competition in Penrith, in individual and team kumite.

He's also chuffed to have been selected to represent JKS England in Brazil in August, and we wish him all the best!



Netball

Y7

Our Y7 netball teams have had a very successful March and we're delighted to report fantastic results in their recent matches:

A Team – Won 11-3 v All Saints. This team has maintained its unbeaten record since September! Great effort all round, especially in the first quarter, where they came on to the court match ready.

Player of the match goes to Evie for making fantastic drives and outwitting her defender. The girls will be in the league play-offs in a couple of weeks.

B Team – Won 1-0 v All Saints. The girls have been on the brink of victory in all their matches, and last night they achieved a solid win. They dominated the game, and now we need to convert those shots - great effort, girls!

Player of the match was Trisha. Amazing ball control and passing.

Since then, the team made it to the semi-finals of the York Schools Under 12 League. They lost to a strong Millthorpe Team, but amazing to make the semi-finals and they did Huntington School proud with their performance as always.

Well done, all!

Mrs Fisher



Y10

Our U15 Netball team represented Huntington in the York and District tournament last week. They brought a brilliant attitude and worked so well as a team. My player of the match goes to our captain Annabel, she gave it 100% throughout the tournament and her commitment to the club this year has been outstanding.



[Y8 Football Tournament](#)

A huge well done to our Year 8 football team, who put in an outstanding performance to **win the 7-a-side tournament** at Boothman this week.

Although fewer teams entered than expected, our players approached every fixture with real professionalism and focus. Their hard work paid off as they won all of their matches, scoring the most goals in the competition and finishing the evening without conceding a single goal—a superb achievement in a round-robin format. The conditions were far from easy. A blustery, wet evening made the pitch lively and unpredictable, with the slick surface

adding extra pace to the ball. Rather than letting this disrupt them, the team adapted brilliantly and used it to their advantage, especially in attacking areas.

In the final third, Alfie, Alfie, Jake, Callum and Josh combined excellently, moving the ball quickly and showing intelligent link-up play to carve out numerous scoring opportunities. Their fast, free-flowing football was a highlight of the tournament and kept opposition defences constantly under pressure. Defensively, Charlie, Isaac and Lennon were equally impressive. They read the game superbly, intercepted danger early, and built play confidently from the back with well-judged passes into attacking areas. Their composure helped the team maintain control throughout every game.

A special mention must go to George, who produced a brilliant save in the final match to ensure he finished the tournament with another clean sheet. His calm distribution and communication from the back were key to the team's overall success.

Overall, it was a fantastic display of teamwork, resilience, and skill from all involved. The boys represented the school brilliantly, and we are incredibly proud of their achievement. Well done, Year 8!

Mr Paley



Rugby

Year 11

For the final time, the Year 11s took on the other York schools in a 9 a side festival. It was such a pleasure to take the team to JoRo and plenty of great attacking rugby was on show with some wonderful tries being scored. The lads just couldn't quite match the quality of attack with their defence, coming out second best in their 3 matches. Despite this, the boys had a great evening of rugby in the spring sunshine. Well done boys!!

Mr Boothman



Y8 City Wide Rugby League Festival

Huntington hosted the Year 8 City Wide Rugby League Festival on Tuesday night and 8 teams from the City came along to what was a great evening of rugby.

Interest from the Year group was excellent with a strong squad of 15 players chomping to get some game time. The lads started off the festival with a confident win against York High by 5 tries to 1. Toby and Jamie were instrumental in providing a great platform to attack. There were tries from Jacob, Arthur and a first try for Tommy too. Second game and another win, this time against Manor. Our final group match came against a strong Millthorpe team with a tight but deserving draw. It was such a dramatic match with both sides leading, then losing the lead, only for us to score the final try. This meant that the lads, having won 2 and drawn 1 were promoted to play in the final against Sherburn.

It was such a close run match with nothing really separating the two sides. It took a break of tackle to decide the contest and unfortunately that score was made by Sherburn with the lads losing by 1 try to nil. It was an absolute pleasure to host and run the Huntington team. Interest is great within the year group and we will build on our successes next year. Well done to all that represented their school, including Jamie our year 7 superstar rugby player.

Mr Boothman





Basketball

Commiserations to the Year 11 Basketball team. They gave it their all but sadly came away as runners up against a Bootham side that, on the night, played an absolutely incredible game of attack. At one point the lads were down by 30 points, but as has always been the case all season, they played right up until the end coming away with a 91-80 point loss. This was the highest amount of points the team had accumulated in any of their previous matches, which just goes to show how incredible Bootham were.

Lots of disappointment of course but I couldn't have been a prouder coach and teacher of a great set of lads. What an amazing season, and a shame we couldn't bring the trophy home for the school!

Mr Boothman



Music: Chamber Concert

Tickets are now available on Wisepay for the Chamber Concert at Huntington School on Monday 23 March at 7.30pm. This annual event celebrates music from Classical, Jazz and Folk traditions, featuring instrumental soloists, ensembles, vocalists and our Sixth Form choir, *Secret Choir*. Everyone is welcome.



Geography A-level trip to Boggle Hole and Redcar

Our A Level geographers have been busy practising physical fieldwork techniques. The students visited Boggle Hole and Redcar beaches on a 2 day residential where they learned how to use a variety of pieces of equipment in order for them to answer a series of questions related to the coast. This supports the work that they do in the classroom but also helps to prepare them as they begin to think about their coursework. The students all worked really hard and had great fun - they were even treated to some north east coast sunshine.





York Jobs, Apprenticeship and Skills Fair (Y11-13)

A session on apprenticeships has recently been delivered to Year 11:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EwuWy05VniE>. If your child would like an

apprenticeship straight after Year 11 and does not currently have one, it is really important that you watch the video linked below.

<https://www.huntingtonschool.co.uk/site/data/files/users/4/2025/7C2E7CB2B57F5DBF66B92460CB35FBCF.pdf>

The flyer for the upcoming York Jobs, Apprenticeship and Skills Fair can be seen below – **it is essential that any student in Y11, 12 or 13 wanting an apprenticeship (but who does not currently have one) attends this event.** The fair provides an excellent opportunity to meet employers, explore current vacancies, and speak directly with training providers about the application process.

If you have any questions, please do contact s.daniel@huntington-ed.org.uk.

Kind Regards,

Mr Shane Daniel

Huntington School Aspirations Teaching and Learning Manager

York Jobs, Apprenticeships and Skills Fair



Tuesday 24 March 2026

1pm - 6pm at York Barbican
Paragon Street, YO10 4AH

Drop in any time to meet recruiting employers,
training providers and speak to advice services.

Let us help you find your next step.

YorkLearning.org.uk/YorkJobsFair

york.learning@york.gov.uk

01904 554277



If you are a local employer or training provider
and would like to exhibit, scan the QR code.
Small registration fee applies.



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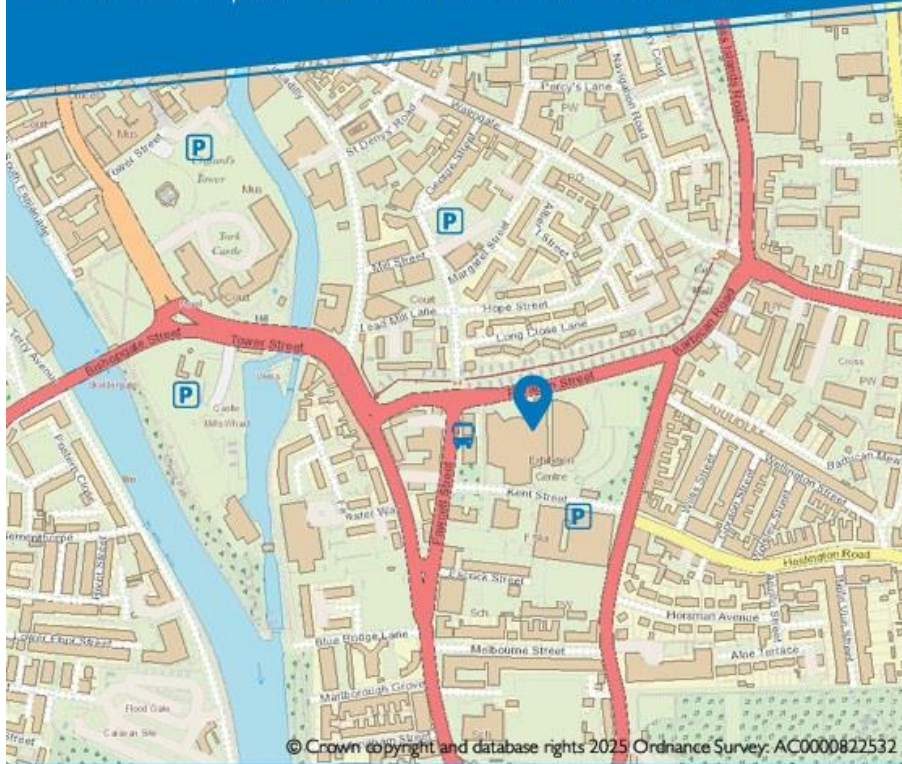
Find us at York Barbican, Paragon Street, YO10 4AH

The nearest bus stop is Fawcett Street, for bus routes 7, 24/25, 415, U2

Bike parking is available at the venue. Car Parking is available at QPark Barbican (YO10 4AH), Peel Street (YO1 9PZ),

St George's Field (YO10 4FH) and Castle Car Park (YO1 9SA).

Limited disabled spaces are available at the rear of the venue.



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

York Parent Carer Forum Newsletter

Please find attached the latest [Parent Carer Forum Newsletter](#) containing information about upcoming events to support and interest parents and carers in York.

York Wellbeing in Mind webinars



Free online courses: Togetherness and Signposting Family Support

Developed by NHS clinical psychologists alongside parents and practitioners, **Togetherness** offers trusted, evidence-based online courses to help families better understand and support emotional wellbeing in everyday life. York residents can access a personalised page at [Home - Togetherness](#), featuring a wide range of flexible learning pathways, including:


- Understanding your child from toddler to teenager
- Understanding your child with additional needs
- Understanding your teenager's brain
- Understanding your own adolescence (for teens and pre-teens)

Courses are available for all ages – from pregnancy through to 19 years – and are designed to strengthen family relationships, support child development, and improve emotional health. All courses are free for York residents using the access code: RAISE.

Signposting Family Support

[Welcome to Raise York – Raise York](#)

The website contains links of local and national support available which families can access without professional referrals.

TOGETHERNESS 





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 From understanding to thriving: for everyone.

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



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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



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TOGETHERNESS

NHS

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

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TOGETHERNESS

NHS

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



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**Are you a young
person aged 7 - 25
with a special
educational need
or disability
(SEND)?**



The SEND Youth Forum meets fortnightly at SEND Central to:

- Take part in fun activities, discussions and events
- Meet other young people with SEND
- Help improve SEND services York
- Share their views and ideas



We also meet once a month online.

Have your say and make a difference!

For more information:

✉ Jointpartnership@york.gov.uk

🌐 www.yorksend.org/get-involved/send-youth-forum



This week at
SEND CENTRAL

16th March - 20th March 2026

York SEND Local Offer

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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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 |
| Wellbeing in Mind- Elective Home Education Workshop 11am -12pm Understanding the impact of stress and strategies to manage it | Portage Music Group 1.30pm-2.30pm Workshop- Invite only | Early Years SEND Playgroup Seedlings 10am - 11.30am 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 | An Information Session about Post 16 Education and Employment Pathways 11am-12pm - No need to book just come along |
| Wellbeing in Mind - Elective Home Education consultation appointments available throughout the day for parents/ carers and professionals - please email SENDCENTRAL@york.gov.uk to book an appointment. | YIKS Autism Hub 4.30pm-6.30pm Bookable Only via YIKS | Think Together Workshop 10-11.30- see separate sheet for the week's theme- No need to book just come along. | YIKS Parent/carer SEND drop in 9.30am-11am All Welcome no booking required | York Independent Living and Transport Team (YILTs) 12pm-1pm- A drop in if you would like more information about their service. |
| YIKS Autism Hub 4.30pm-6.30pm Bookable Only via YIKS | YIKS Siblings Group 6.45pm- 8.00pm | 5 week course Supporting Children and young people with Mental Wellbeing 12.45-2.45pm. This is a free course and includes child care. Enrol online: https://yorklearning.org.uk/family-learning/ | Healthy Child Team 9am - 12pm Drop in 2pm - 3.30pm 4 month workshop- invite only. | NHS Preparation for Adulthood Appointments are pre booked. If you would like to book to have a discussion with the transition Nurse email SENDCENTRAL@york.gov.uk or call 01904 555076 |
| | | Specialist Autism Teaching Team 1.30pm-2.30pm Drop in All welcome no booking required | YIKS Post 16 Group 6.30pm -8pm | YIKS Autism Hub 4.30pm- 6.30pm Bookable only via YIKS |

This week at
SEND CENTRAL

23rd March - 27th March 2026

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| Wellbeing in Mind- Elective Home Education Workshop 11am -12pm Understanding the impact of stress and strategies to manage it | Drop in with the Vision Impairment Team 9am - 12pm. These are parent/ carer drop ins - you can turn up and wait to be seen or pre book a time by emailing: Abi.hall@york.gov.uk | Early Years SEND Playgroup Portage 9.30am - 11.30am 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 Appointments are pre booked. If you would like to book to have a discussion with the transition Nurse email SENDCENTRAL@york.gov.uk or call 01904 555076 |
| Information Session from the Occupational Therapy Service 1pm-2pm Understanding local support for children and young people with Sensory Processing Differences No need to book just come along. | Portage Music Group 1.30pm-2.30pm Workshop- Invite only | Think Together Workshop 10-11.30- see separate sheet for the week's theme- No need to book just come along. | 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 |
| Wellbeing in Mind - Elective Home Education consultation appointments available throughout the day for parents/ carers and professionals - please email SENDCENTRAL@york.gov.uk to book an appointment. | YIKS Autism Hub 4.30pm-6.30pm Bookable Only via YIKS | 5 week course Supporting Children and young people with Mental Wellbeing 12.45-2.45pm. This is a free course and includes child care. Enrol online: https://yorklearning.org.uk/family-learning/ | Healthy Child Team 9am - 12pm Drop in 2pm - 3.30pm 4 month workshop- invite only. | |
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This week at
SEND CENTRAL

30th March - 3rd April 2026

York SEND Local Offer

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

Tuesday 3rd March 11.30am- 12.30pm

Sleep Charity Workshop for Parents and Carers.

This is being commissioned by the sleep charity to offer an in person workshop around sleep. This is being commissioned directly in response to some of the difficulties people are experiencing and following the workshop we would like feedback around further support that would be helpful around this area.

Tuesday 3rd March 1pm- 2pm

ADHD a Guide for Parents and Carers.

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 and 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.

Friday 13th March 1pm- 2pm

A guide to Annual Reviews when you have an Education Health and Care Plan

An information session led by the Team Leader Plan Writer from the SEND team around the process of annual reviews of your EHCP. This will be an overview of what to expect, understanding the process with the opportunity for questions and answers.

Friday 20th March 11am- 12pm

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.

Friday 20th March from 12pm

York Independent Living and Transport Team (YILTs) drop in

YILTs is a service provided by City of York Council. YILTs provide travel training for young people aged 11 to 25 with Education, Health Care Plans (EHCPs) to support them to travel independently between home and school or college.

23rd March 1pm- 2pm.

Understanding local support for children and young people with Sensory Processing Differences:

An informal session describing local provision for sensory processing differences and the Let's Make Sense Together resources. Led by 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
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Think Together at SEND CENTRAL March 2026

Think Together are a team of mental health practitioners who can support when mental health difficulties first present. They can support with advice and information giving, as well as signposting to local services, which may be able to support with your child/ young person 's mental health. A way in which this support will be offered is through workshops. Please see the below workshops which have been arranged for parents/carers at SEND CENTRAL, to attend in March

Wednesday 11th March 10am - 11.30am Introduction to Anxiety for Parents and Carers.

A workshop for parents/ carers to learn about Anxiety and how it can present in young people. This will include advice on how to manage symptoms of Anxiety and information about local services.
No need to book.

Wednesday 18th March 10am- 11.30am Introduction to Low Mood for Parents and Carers.

A workshop for parents/ carers to learn about Low Mood and how it can present in young people. This will include advice on how to manage symptoms of Low Mood and information about local services.
No need to book.

Wednesday 25th March 2026 10am- 11.30am Energy Accounting Theory: Helping manage energy levels with Autistic young people.

Energy accounting is an idea developed by autistic psychologist, Maja Toudal. It uses the idea of a bank account, where the withdrawals and deposits are energy rather than money. Many autistic people find this idea useful as it provides a way of thinking about managing stress and energy levels. Energy accounting is something that you can use yourself, or that others around you can help you with. This workshop will introduce energy accounting, how we can plan into a daily week and how to build ourselves up when already low on energy.
No need to book.

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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

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
- email - edt@northyorks.gov.uk

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