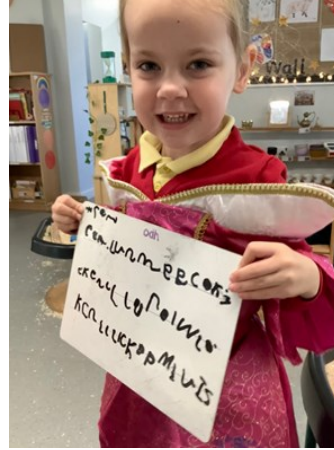


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## Nursery & Reception

I have been very proud of the children in nursery and reception this week and how hard they have been trying!

The reception children have started their phonics learning over the past few weeks and have been working hard within their choosing time to practise their sounds – what superstars!

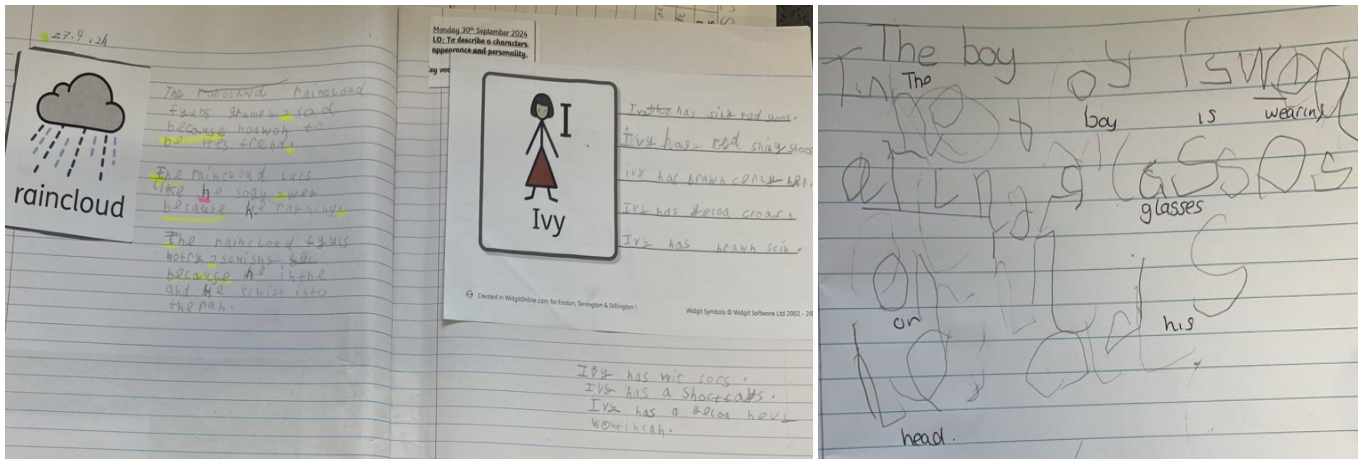


## Year 1 & 2

In Class 2 this week we have been writing descriptions about characters in our book- Ivy and the raincloud.

The children have had great discussions and used interesting vocabulary to describe the characters using information they remember from the story.

The children have also really enjoyed borrowing a book from our library and sharing their favourite stories with each other.



## Year 3 & 4

Class 3 had a brilliant afternoon at Malton at the football event. They showed great teamwork and effort in each game, scoring goals and cheering each other on.

## Year 5 & 6

This week in Class 4 we have been exploring different ways to advance our narratives using speech and the children have come up with some great ideas that we look forward to sharing with you!

In Music we have been exploring syncopated rhythm with Mrs Caddy, the children have had great fun refining their own songs and sharing musical appreciation.

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### ParentPay

Please can all parents login to ParentPay and clear all outstanding balances.

### School Car Park Gate

Please can we remind all parents that are using the gate in the car park for breakfast and after school clubs that children should not be pressing the button to leave the site. We teach the children at school, for safeguarding reasons, that only adults are to press buttons to open doors and gates. We appreciate your support with this.

### Kafunjo Project

As part of our diversity project, we have worked closely with the Kafunjo project. As such, we will be raising much needed funds to support them buy food and medical supplies at our harvest festival through a monetary collection.

As well as this, we will be holding a non-school uniform day on **11<sup>th</sup> October** with voluntary donations welcome.

Any donations to support would be greatly appreciated to support the Kafunjo project. If you would like to learn more about the project, please visit: <https://www.kafunjoprojectus.org/>.

### Young Voices 2025

**Please can we ask that you confirm if you wish your child(ren) to go on the Young Voices trip by Friday 11th October so we can finalise numbers and start practising the songs. This can be done on ParentPay. Thank you!**

Young Voices are the organisers of the largest school choir concerts in the World, in the biggest arenas in the UK. It is designed to unify children from across the region, boost their confidence and provide lifelong memories for them and their families. EXCITING NEWS! As a federation, we have the exciting opportunity to go to the Young Voices Competition 2025 with the **Year 3-6 children** in our schools. The arena that we have been given is Utilita Arena Sheffield on Wednesday 12th February 2025. This will be an evening concert and times will be as below: **The cost of this trip is £20, please see ParentPay to confirm to give your consent if you wish your child to go.**

### Summary of the day

11:00/11:30am – Children will set off on the bus

Arrival -1:00pm - Venue doors open to school 12:45pm

1:00pm – 2:00pm – Packed lunches

2.00pm - 5.00pm - Rehearsals start

5:00pm-6:30pm – Time to eat and we need to return to our seats by 6:30pm

7.00pm - 8.45pm - Your Young Voices Concert!

8:45pm – The children will go back to school on the bus.

Rough arrival of 10:30pm at the schools.

The children are going to be having a packed lunch and tea. See the bulletin closer to the time on how to order a packed lunch for your child.

Once you have confirmed you wish for your child to go, you will be added to the 'Music Room' where you will be able to access information and the songs/videos for the day. Please see the link below to go to join the Music Room <https://yvmusicroom.com/auth/parent/register-referral?code=OTE2MS8xNzI3MjU1NTQ3> Parent information: <https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/for-parents> Young voices Spotify songs: <https://open.spotify.com/album/0XQu60fO5OytaX3NNZaA9x>.

Parents can purchase their tickets and choir t-shirts through the YV Teacher Centre shop, before the 31 October deadline (tickets are subject to availability) so that they can be delivered in time for the YV Concert. Payment must be made by credit card. There will be a transaction fee of £1.99 (plus VAT) for parent card payment.



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## Nasal Flu Vaccination

Vaccination UK is attending your child's school for flu vaccinations. For your child to receive their Nasal flu vaccination in school, please complete a **YES** consent form using the link below.

<https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2024/northyorkshire>

If your child **cannot** have the Nasal spray, the injectable flu vaccine is available, and you will be able to choose that method on the consent form. If you **DO NOT** wish for your child to have a flu vaccination, please complete a **NO** consent via the same link. Thank you for your continued support!

Kind Regards,  
Scarborough Immunisations Team

## Do you know what your child is seeing and hearing?

We live in a world where our children can have access to so many different things, but what do we really know about the games they are playing, the apps they use or the movies they watch?

If you have not heard of this website before, common sense media <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/> is a really quick and easy website to use to give you an insight into age appropriate content for a variety of different things. It breaks things down into different categories so you can see exactly what it is your children are exposed to.

Below is an example of the game Roblox with a suggested age of 13 years.

The image shows a screenshot of the Common Sense Media website. The main heading is "Ratings and reviews parents trust". Below this, there are icons for different media types: Movies, TV, Books, Games, Podcasts, and Apps. The "Games" category is selected, and the game "Roblox" is highlighted. To the right of the game card, there are two panels of content ratings. The first panel, "Why Age 13+?", lists categories like "Products & Purchases", "Violence & Scariness", "Sex, Romance & Nudity", "Language", and "Drinking, Drugs & Smoking". The second panel, "Any Positive Content?", lists categories like "Positive Messages", "Ease of Play", "Educational Value", and "Positive Role Models".

Why Age 13+?	Any Positive Content?
Products & Purchases Players use a currency called Robux and r... >	Positive Messages Positive social interaction is encouraged ... >
Violence & Scariness Cartoony weapons are used in certain wk ... >	Ease of Play Controls vary based on which game is ch ... >
Sex, Romance & Nudity While Roblox has tried to restrain sexual ... >	Educational Value Kids can learn about designing virtual wc ... >
Language Although the company says a safe chat ft ... >	Positive Role Models Not present
Drinking, Drugs & Smoking Words like "beer," "pot," and "drunk" seer ... >	

## Keeping Stress in Check – Parents Guide

A report by NHS England in 2023 found that 20.3% of children aged 8 to 16 years had a probable mental health condition. In addition, government data shows that, for the academic year 2023-2024, 20.7% of pupils were identified as 'persistently absent' (missing 10% or more of school).

The team at Dragonfly have kindly put together a *Thrive 365*, **complimentary wellbeing bulletin** to share with our school community, with a **Parent Guide** focused on how to **nurture opportunities to release and relieve stress in children and young people**. Please find this guide attached.

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P.A.F.F.S

PARENTS & FRIENDS OF FOSTON SCHOOL

3 October 2024

P.A.F.F.S Bulletin

**JUMBLE SALE £1**

**THIS SUNDAY 2-4PM**

Drop off jumble Friday 3-4.30  
or Sunday Morning 10.30-12  
TLC Village Hall. Bargains,  
drinks and cake available.

Refreshments needed please



*Halloween Disco £5*  
*20th October 3.30-5.30pm*  
*Tickets on sale from Monday*

**Next Tuck Shop**

**Fri 25th October 3.30pm**

**£1 per item.**

Tuck Shop provides an after school treat and raises funds for PAFFS. We will invite each class to provide cakes for Tuck Shops in future. Please watch out for your turn!



**Friday 11th OCT 3.30pm PAFFS AGM**

Come and Find Out what our 'Parents and Friends of Foston School' have been doing.

Ideas for future events are welcome.

New members of the PAFFS team or events team  
very welcome

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## Diary Dates

Event	Date	Key Points
Sports Enhancement Day	8th October 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nursery &amp; Reception to stay at school</li> <li>Year 1 - 6 to travel to Stillington Primary School by bus</li> <li>PE kit needed (children will change in school)</li> <li>Packed lunch needed for year 1 - 6</li> </ul>
Non-uniform day	11th October 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Voluntary donations for Kafunjo project</li> </ul>
Fantastic Friday	25th October 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More information to follow</li> </ul>
<b>Autumn half-term</b>	<b>Last day at school - 25th October</b>	<b>First day back - 4th November 2024</b>
Parents' Evening	12th November 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All years 5 - 7pm</li> </ul>
Parents' Evening	14th November 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All years 3.30 - 5.30pm</li> </ul>
Flu Vaccinations	25th November 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reception - year 6</li> </ul>
Malton Sports	4th December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 3 - 6</li> <li>PE kit needed (children will change in school)</li> <li>No packed lunch needed</li> </ul>
Christmas dinner	6th December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nursery - year 6</li> <li>Children to travel to Stillington Primary School by bus</li> </ul>
KS2 Christingle	10th December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 3 - 6</li> <li>2.30 - 3.30pm</li> <li>Foston Church</li> </ul>
EYFS/KS1 Nativity	10th December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nursery, Reception, year 1 &amp; 2</li> <li>4 - 4.30pm</li> <li>Village Hall</li> </ul>
Fantastic Friday	20th December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More information to follow</li> </ul>
<b>Christmas</b>	<b>Last day at school - 20th December 2024</b> <b>First day back - 7th January 2025</b>	
<b>Spring half-term</b>	<b>Last day at school - 14th February 2025</b> <b>First day back - 24th February 2025</b>	
<b>Easter</b>	<b>Last day at school - 4th April 2025</b> <b>First day back - 23rd April 2025</b>	
<b>May Day bank holiday</b>	<b>Last day at school - 2nd May 2025</b> <b>First day back - 6th May 2025</b>	
<b>Summer half - term</b>	<b>Last day at school - 23rd May 2025</b> <b>First day back - 2nd June 2025</b>	
<b>Summer</b>	<b>Last day at school - 18th July 2025</b>	