

# FOSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL BULLETIN

## Nursery & Reception

The Early Years children enjoyed getting to spend time with all of the other Early Years children in the federation and collaboration making new friends at Terrington! We also loved our circus skills session learning lots of new skills focussing on balancing, coordination and even throwing and catching. The smiles say it all!

We had a fantastic time on Tuesday taking part in the Phunky Foods workshop. We found out about healthy eating and the way to hold fruit to chop it safely. We finished off our current Easter topic by looking at how Easter is celebrated in Germany. We wish you all a very happy Easter break!



## Year 5 & 6

This week in English, we put our creativity to the test by writing detailed character descriptions of our very own Viking characters. From fierce warriors to wise leaders, the class impressed with their vivid storytelling!

In Maths, our Year 6 pupils have been working hard on drawing and interpreting line graphs, sharpening their data analysis skills along the way.

In PSHE, we had a thoughtful and mature discussion about dealing with grief, sharing strategies, and supporting one another in a lesson filled with rich and meaningful discussion.

Well done to everyone for a fantastic week of learning!

## Sports Enhancement Day

Wow, what a great day the children had at the Sports Enhancement Day, despite the wind, rain and hail.

The children from KS1 & KS2 took part in lots of amazing activities including Karate, rugby and an assault course and the EYFS children learnt lots of different circus skills and had a dance session which was linked to different animals.

They certainly had a busy day!

Karate — Budo-Kan-Karate-Do

Football — <https://yorkcityfootballclub.co.uk/foundation/>

Rugby — <https://maltonandnortonruffc.rfu.club/>

Circus — <https://circusskillsyorkcic.org/>



## Wishlist

If any parents/grandparents have any of the below that they no longer need or use we would be extremely grateful if you would kindly donate them to the school:

- ◆ Fabric (for Art/DT)

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## Foston Clubs Summer 1

Please find below our extra-curricular clubs for next half term. To book a place, please book these using Parent Pay and these are available on a block booking only.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Club</b>	Forest Schools	Rounders & Cricket	Karaoke and Singing	Craft & Science Club	Gardening Club
<b>Leading Adult</b>	Miss Cooke	Total Sports	Mrs Buckby	Miss Foster	Mrs Dale
<b>Time</b>	3.30-4.30pm	3.30-4.30pm	3.30-4.30pm	3.30-4.30pm	3.30-4.30pm
<b>No. of sessions</b>	3	4	4	5	5
<b>Notes</b>	Children will need appropriate outdoor clothing.	Children will need trainers.	Learning songs and performing	Science experiments and fun crafts.	Planting, organising the garden in school and growing
<b>Age</b>	Nursery & Reception	KS1 & KS2 (Y1-6)	KS1 & KS2 (Y1-6)	KS1 & KS2 (Y1-6)	EYFS, KS1 & KS2
<b>Cost</b>	£15	£16	£16	£22.50	£22.50
<b>Maximum</b>	10	16	10	10	10

## Gardening Club

The children and adults have been working hard at playtimes to tidy our garden area and planters ready for this growing seasons. We would like to continue this work on during our gardening club.

Week 1	Tidy the raised beds and sort the pots into areas. Plant sunflower seeds into individual pots to take home and grow for a competition.
Week 2	Tidy raised beds and get ready to plant vegetable seeds i.e. garlic, onions, beetroot, lettuce, peas and courgettes. Plant chives in pots and other herbs. Water all areas.
Week 3	Tidy beds and pots finish planting in raised beds and herbs. Plant flower seeds in pots to stay in the garden and go home. Water all areas.
Week 4	Tidy all weeds in beds and pots. Arrange tyres round the garden fill with compost and plant rhubarb in them. Tidy EYFS area for planting. Water all areas.
Week 5	Tidy all weeds in beds and pots and EYFS area. Plant flowers and vegetables in EYFS area.

Things we need donating to school for gardening club:

- Old tools: I.e. small forks and trowels.
- Gardening gloves (children's sizes).
- Seeds: I.e. vegetables for beds and pots and flowers for pots.
- Pots: I.e. large, small and medium size pots and various sizes of outdoor planters.
- Spare compost that parents or carers may not need anymore.
- Tarpaulin to cover beds and pots and EYFS area.

## Wrap around Care

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Breakfast</b>	Miss Cooke Miss Thompson	Miss Cooke Miss Thompson	Miss Foster Miss Thompson	Miss Foster Miss Thompson	Miss Thompson
<b>Afterschool</b>	Miss Foster Miss Cooke	Miss Foster Total Sports	Miss Foster Mrs Buckby	Miss Foster Mrs Dale	Miss Foster Mrs Dale

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## Uniform

We would like to provide you with an important update regarding our uniform policy that has recently been reviewed by governors and share some important reminders for all students. This can be found on our school website.

### Key Updates and reminders:

1. **Footwear:** Students are required to wear **black shoes** as part of the school uniform. Please ensure your child has the correct footwear and children **should not wear trainers or open-toed sandals**.
2. **Bags:** To ensure all students' belongings fit safely in the spaces provided, we kindly ask that students have a red book bag rather than a backpack or a red PE bag.
3. **Sunglasses:** Sunglasses are not permitted to be worn during school hours. Please remind your child to leave them at home.
4. **Toys and Personal Items:** We ask that **toys** and unnecessary personal items are kept at home, as they can be distracting during the school day.
5. **Water Bottles:** Students should bring a **water bottle of no more than 700ml** to stay hydrated throughout the day. Please ensure the bottle is clearly labelled with your child's name.
6. **Jewellery:** Fashion items are best kept for home, and for reasons such as health, safety and inclusion, fashion accessories such as make-up, nail polish, jewellery other than stud earrings and watches (no smart watches), should not be worn.

Our School PTA organise regular opportunities for obtaining second hand school uniform at no charge. The School Office can provide information about this.

We appreciate your cooperation in helping maintain a focused and organised environment for all our students. Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

## Wellbeing for School Parents

Please find attached a recent newsletter from In our place. In our place is funded in our 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.

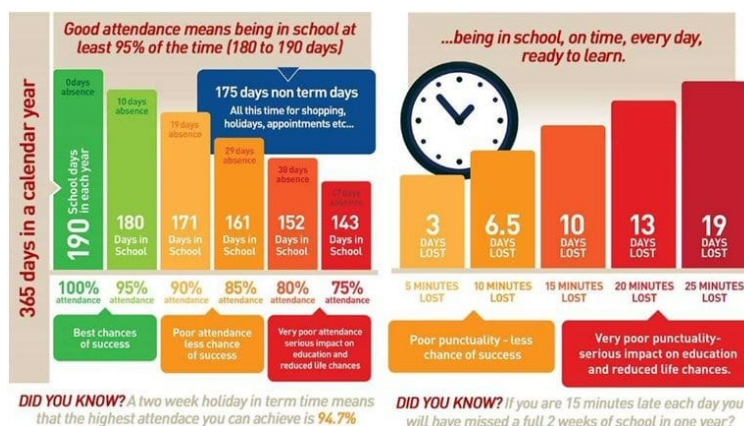
## ParentPay

**Please login to your ParentPay and clear all outstanding balances, pupils accounts should not exceed £50.00. Those who owe more than £50.00 for school meals will not be able to order a school meal next term and will need to bring a packed lunch. Those who still have outstanding balances for clubs before we switched to pre-pay you will be unable to use wrap-around care or book your child into extra-curricular activities until all charges are paid.**

## Attendance

As a school we aim for 95% attendance from all our pupils. We realise this is not always possible when your child is poorly. We are sure you will agree we all want our children to succeed, and good attendance is proven to give children the maximum learning time possible.

**Our whole school attendance is 95.97%.**



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## Diary Dates

Event	Date	Key Points
<b>NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB AVAILABLE</b>	<b>23rd April 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Please arrange alternative arrangements</b></li> </ul>
<b>Easter</b>	<b>Last day at school - 4th April 2025</b> <b>First day back - 23rd April 2025</b>	
EYFS dentist visit	28th April 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During school hours</li> <li>• No packed lunch required</li> </ul>
Malton Sports KS2—cross country	30th April 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Years 3-6</li> <li>• During school hours</li> <li>• No packed lunch required</li> </ul>
<b>May Day bank holiday</b>	<b>Last day at school - 2nd May 2025</b> <b>First day back - 6th May 2025</b>	
VE Day	8th May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information to follow</li> </ul>
Year 6 SATS	12th, 13th, 14th & 15th May 2025	
Special Lunch - Street Food	15th May 2025	Chicken nuggets Veggie nuggets (V) Skinny fries BBQ beans Doughnut muffin
EYFS Beetle Bank Farm trip	20th May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information to follow</li> </ul>
KS2 Jorvik Viking Centre trip	22nd May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information to follow</li> </ul>
Fantastic Friday	23rd May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information to follow</li> </ul>
<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>	