



**Dringhouses**  
Primary School | York

## Dring Digest w/e 09 December 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

- **School Attendance Matters**  
Going to school every day can help your child experience new things.

#GoingInNotMissingOut

Going to school **every day** can help your child experience new things.

For more information on school absence in York visit:  
[www.york.gov.uk/SchoolAttendance](http://www.york.gov.uk/SchoolAttendance)



Get your application in by:  
**15 January 2023**

**Apply online**

If your child was born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019, apply online now for a Reception place to start school in September 2023.

- Log onto <http://york.gov.uk/ParentPortal>
- More information [york.gov.uk/PrimarySchoolAdmissions](http://york.gov.uk/PrimarySchoolAdmissions)

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### ➤ Reception Starter 2023

If you require a school place for September 2023 please ensure that you have submitted your application by logging on to <https://york.gov.uk/ParentPortal> before 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

### ➤ Do I need to keep my child off school?

We get lots of questions from parents about if they should keep their children off school due to illness and how long they should keep them off school following a confirmed diagnosis of a particular illness. We hope that you find this graphic useful.

### Do I need to keep my child off school?



<b>Chicken Pox</b> Until all spots have crusted over	<b>Conjunctivitis</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Diarrhoea &amp; Vomiting</b> 48 hours from last episode	<b>Glandular Fever</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Hand, foot &amp; mouth</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Impetigo</b> Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
<b>Measles or German Measles</b> 4 days from onset of rash	<b>Mumps</b> 5 days from onset of swelling	<b>Scabies</b> Until after first treatment	<b>Scarlet Fever</b> 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	<b>Slapped Cheek</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Whooping Cough</b> 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
<b>Flu</b> Until recovered	<b>Head Lice</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Threadworms</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Tonsillitis</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed		

### ➤ Streptococcus A Infection & Scarlet Fever

We understand that some of our families may be concerned about the growing number of children reported to be falling seriously ill from Streptococcus A and/or Scarlet Fever. In light of this and in line with guidance received from the Department for Education and the Local Authority the school has put in place a thorough and robust risk assessment which details infection control measures we will implement with immediate effect to mitigate and control the risk of both possible infection and spread within the school setting.

Please be assured that if the school was to have an outbreak of either of these reportable infections the schools outbreak management plan would be implemented, parents would be informed and we would work closely with Public Health teams to protect our families and local community from further infection. Please see the letter sent to families on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

➤ **Charity Christmas Collection – I am Reusable**

One of our parents is collecting for a York based charity called I am Reusable. The charity supports local families who help children, families and individuals who are struggling or who might be homeless. If you would like to contribute a little something towards the collection that would be very much appreciated. Items will be collected in the main office throughout next week.

Ideas of what to give: selection box, box of chocolates/sweets, toiletry set, warm gloves or socks, toys etc

➤ **Key Stage 2 Christingle Concert**

The annual Christingle concert will be held in the school hall next week, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December from 6pm-7pm. We are so excited to share with you lots of Christmas Carols and musical pieces. The children are most welcome to wear Christmas clothes for the performance.

FODS have kindly offered to open their bar from 5:30 in the hall, so please feel free to bring the children to school from 5:30 and we will supervise them from this time.

Please can we ask that only two adults per family attend the concert. This is due to H&S restrictions and imposed rules around building capacity, as well as infection control measures to mitigate the spread of possible infectious diseases. If you would like to wear a face covering to protect yourself and others from the possible spread of infection please feel free to do so.

➤ **Christmas Dinner Day**

Christmas dinner will be served on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**. The menu will be a traditional roast turkey dinner or vegetarian roast dinner followed by chocolate ice cream. Orders can be placed in the usual manner using your child's ParentPay account. There will be no alternative menu options on this day.

➤ **Parking and Dropping Off**

Please be mindful of where you are parking and considerate to our neighbours when dropping off and picking up your children from school. Please do not park on the grass verges near the front of school. It is dangerous to manoeuvre your vehicle down this narrow street when so many children and other pedestrians are in this area. Also please be careful not to block the driveways or access of neighbouring properties. We have an arrangement with the Cross Keys pub at the top of the street that the car parking facilities can be used during term time for picking up and dropping off children.

We have had a number of reports of parents stopping their vehicle at the zebra crossing or on the bridge outside of school and letting children get out. This is extremely dangerous and in the interests of safety for all of our families and other road users please can we ask that you do not allow or encourage your children to do this. Thank you.

➤ **Years 3 & 4 – Art Project**

Lower Key Stage 2 need cereal boxes for our art project after Christmas - if you finish up any boxes between now and then, please can you send them in. Thanks

➤ **Year 3 Pizza and Film Night- Tuesday 17th January 4pm-6pm**

In line with our residential offer, Year 3 will be having an evening of fun in the hall with their peers. This is the second time we have done this, and has worked well to prepare the children for their first night away in Year 4! This will take place on Tuesday 17th January- 4pm-6pm

The evening will consist of the children arriving at school at 4pm in PJs with a blanket and teddy if they would like to bring one. We are then going to eat some delicious pizza and watch a film in our very own 'Dring Cinema'. Please sign and return the consent slip on the letter by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January so we have a rough idea of numbers.

To pay for the pizzas, we ask for a contribution of £2.50 per child, payable on Parent Pay by Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

Many thanks for your ongoing support. We can't wait to make lasting memories with them!

➤ **Community Pantry**

Our community pantry is now up and running and is situated near the gates/sheds as you enter onto the main playground from the front of the school. If you would like to make use of this facility please do just help yourself, or alternatively please speak to the school office and we will happily gather some items for you which you could collect from the main office if you prefer.

Thank you to those parents who have already supported and continue to support this initiative. If you would like to make a contribution to the pantry please pop in it in the appropriate box or drop it into the school office. Thanks.

## Community Notices

28 November 2022

Dear York primary school/parents and carers,

We are delighted to be able to share with you the launch of our Christmas foil competition and invite you to get involved!

We are rolling out the competition to primary schools across the city, aiming to engage the children involved with the importance of recycling, and celebrate recent changes to kerbside collection within the city. The Christmas foil competition is open to all primary schools in York.

Participating students are being challenged to design an A4 poster representing Christmas, the only requirement is that aluminium foil (used and washed) is used in the design.

A poster with more information about the competition and

you can find out more online at <https://www.york.gov.uk/FoilCompetition>.

The competition is sponsored by foil recycling not-for-profit, Alupro, and will offer £50 in prizes to the winning child and £500 in vouchers for their school, to be used on sustainable supplies and activities. The entrants in second and third place will also receive prizes, along with their schools.

Schools wishing to enter their student's posters should do so before Tuesday 31 January, after which we will be closed to applicants. Once the deadline has passed a panel of judges from Alupro and the council will select the winning entries.

Entries should either be scanned and sent by the primary school to City of York Council direct, with the necessary permissions to store details relating to the identity of the child and their school, along with permission to share images of the winning artwork online.

If you would be interested in getting involved in the competition, finding out more or being involved in future opportunities then visit our website at [www.york.gov.uk/FoilCompetition](http://www.york.gov.uk/FoilCompetition). This includes the terms and conditions and our privacy notice.

Many thanks all and good luck!

**Dunk, rinse and recycle!**

**Win big prizes**

**Create your own Christmas poster out of foil**

Get involved in recycling by designing your own festive A4 poster this Christmas using foil and any other pens, pencils, glitter, glue and other art supplies you like!

**First Prize**  
£500 for the school in vouchers  
£50 in prizes for the child

**Second Prize**  
£300 for the school in vouchers  
£30 in prizes for the child

More prizes available.

**Closes Tuesday 31 January**

For more information go to:  
[www.york.gov.uk/FoilCompetition](http://www.york.gov.uk/FoilCompetition)

Terms and conditions and privacy notice are available via the weblink

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## The Mini Athletics Superstar Holiday Camp

<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December</b>
Manor Church of England Academy
8.30am -12.30pm

**Open to children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3**  
**£15 per child per day**

**FREE PLACES for children who are in receipt of benefits related free school meals through the Government's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme.**

Email [rwilson@miniathletics.com](mailto:rwilson@miniathletics.com) to book your free place

All children will receive a healthy breakfast and packed lunch.  
To book your place go to [www.miniathletics.com/holiday-camps](http://www.miniathletics.com/holiday-camps)

### THE SUPERSTAR HOLIDAY CAMP



[www.miniathletics.com](http://www.miniathletics.com)



# Happy Healthy Holidays

**WHAT:** Holiday Football Fun Course

**FOR:** Boys and Girls age 5-13

**WHEN:** Monday 19<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December

**WHERE:** **VENUE 1** Huntington Secondary School YO32 9WT **OR**  
**VENUE 2** Fulford Secondary School,  
Fulfordgate, Heslington Lane, YO10 4FY  
(Both venues indoor)

**TIME:** 10am to 3pm

**REFRESHMENTS:** Water, snacks and packed lunch will be provided

**WHO:** Families eligible for free school meals living in York



FOUNDATION



**How to book:** Enter the following code **XMAS22** at  
[https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/yorkcity/york-city-courses/multi\\_activity.html](https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/yorkcity/york-city-courses/multi_activity.html)

This secures your space and means you are COMMITTED to attend all course dates. Spaces are LIMITED with bookings closing Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 4pm. These FREE Holiday courses are designed to give young people the opportunity to get active this school holiday. Please note that if you booked onto a previous course and did not take up your space we reserve the right to withdraw bookings.

For any queries please contact [inclusion@yorkcityfcfoundation.co.uk](mailto:inclusion@yorkcityfcfoundation.co.uk)



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# Christmas at Dringhouses Library

We've got loads on for children this festive season, all events free, some require pre-booking.



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**Tuesday 20 December 2.30-5pm:** Friends of the Library Festive Afternoon. Drop in all afternoon for festive fun, crafts, refreshments and a raffle. No need to book, just come along.

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