



Dring Digest w/e 24th March 2023

Reminder that school will be closed to all pupils on 31st March for an inset day.

Dear Parents/Carers,

➤ **School Attendance Matters**

Not going to school every day can make it more likely for your child to get involved in crime or antisocial behaviour.

For more information on school absence in York visit:
www.york.gov.uk/SchoolAttendance

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➤ **KS2 Spring Concert**

KS2 are really looking forward to showing you their work in Music on Thursday 30th March at 2.00pm. We hope you can make it and look forward to seeing you there!

➤ **Classes 9, 10 & 11 – Reminder**

Thursday 30th March at 8:35am, Year 5 and 6 Maya Museum in the hall showcasing all of their learning for this half-term. Parents are invited into school to come and see this work. We hope you can make it and look forward to seeing you there!

➤ **Classes 6, 7 & 8 - Reminder**

Wednesday 29th March at 2:30pm, Year 3 and 4 Maya Museum in the hall showcasing all of their learning for this term. Parents are invited into school to come and see this work. We hope you can make it and look forward to seeing you there!

➤ **Nut Free School**

Polite reminder that we are nut free school. For health and safety reasons please ensure that any snacks or packed lunch items **do not** contain any nuts. Thanks.

➤ **OPAL Bingo**

Introducing OPAL bingo! Each class has been given a bingo board with lots of items to collect – anything from a wooden spoon to a scooter – when a class collects all the 'loose parts' on their board and calls bingo they will get 15 minutes extra OPAL time! If a class calls bingo and has collected their starred item, they will win 30 MINUTES extra time!! Please see our websites 'Play' page for your Childs/Children's bingo board, under the 'Help Us Out' tab. <https://dringhousesprimary.org/play/>

➤ **Calling all local businesses - Would you like to sponsor a planter?**

You could have your business name on one of our 3 new planters outside the front office for all visitors to see. An 8 x 6 inch plaque with your business name on would cost you just £50. The money raised would help fund the planters and the front garden of our school.

Your business name would be on the planter for at least 2 years - that's 2 years of advertising for your business for just £50

If you are interested - please contact Clare smith on csmith@dringhouses.co.uk or call in to the office. Thank you



YOUR PTA (FODS) PRESENTS

Easter Bake Sale

THURS 30 MARCH | AFTER SCHOOL

Cake donations (home made or store bought) to school office the morning of 30 March. Cash payments only at the sale!



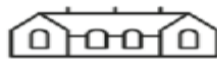
BAGS 2 SCHOOL

Bring your unwanted clothes, shoes and bedding to raise cash for Dringhouses Primary School on
Thurs 20th April & Friday 21st April (by 9am)



Bag any items and leave in the bike shed

For a full list of eligible items:
<https://bag2school.com/>

Friends of Dringhouses Primary School

Egg Decorating Competition



Our annual Easter egg-stravaganza is back!

Open to all year groups

All you have to do is hard boil an egg (or use a polystyrene one!) and unleash your imagination and creativity!
Designs can be made of single eggs or an eggstraordinary scene, it's up to you!

Cat-egg-ories : Individual or family entries

Households may enter more than once to different cat-egg-ories.
Family entries are for eggs which children and adults decorate together.
Cost: 50p per egg entry

Important: Please write your **NAME**, **YEAR** and **CLASS** on a small slip of paper
(one label for each entry)

Place your egg on the **BLANK** side of the label with a bit of glue so that the name details are on the bottom of the label where they can't be seen by our egg-citing judges.

For family entries, please add **FAMILY** onto the label.

Prizes: One prize for the most egg-ceptional individual entry in each year plus one prize for an egg-cellent family entry

Bring your egg entries and **50p** to the entrance by the library on the morning of **Monday 27th March**

They will be displayed in school and judged by a panel of local judges.

Winners will be announced before the Easter Holidays

Please collect your eggs after school on Thursday 30th and take them home to show friends and family.

GOOD LUCK and HAPPY DEGGCORATING!



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At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one game of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents Need to Know about POKÉMON GO



Pokémon GO has been among the world's most popular mobile games since its spectacular release in 2016. It's recently enjoyed a resurgence, thanks partly to people combining entertainment and exercise during lockdown, in Pokémon GO – like the Pokémon TV show, trading card series and other video games – players capture, train and battle with their Pokémon creatures: physically exploring locations while using augmented reality via their phone's screen. The game generally provides a positive experience, but there are still some safety concerns to consider.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

Pokémon GO requires players to visit in-game landmarks like Pokéstops and Gyms. These are often situated at public real-world locations such as churches or post offices. Sometimes, however, they can inadvertently end up being placed in dangerous areas which are unsuitable for children, even when accompanied by an adult: near a construction site or a main road, for example.

STRANGERS & MEETING OFFLINE

Players often cooperate with friends in the game, and there are many online discussion hangouts. As well as sharing tips and info, these groups may arrange to meet offline to catch Pokémon or attend raids (communal events where players flock to the same real-world place for a mass battle). This can put children at risk of being messaged and invited to meet by strangers under the pretence of talking about the game.

DATA COLLECTION

When a player logs into their Pokémon GO account, the game collects personal data about the user and their device. Locations, emails, names, ages and even camera images can all be accessed. What then happens to this information is open to debate. Niantic, the game's developers, maintain that they do not sell user information to third parties – but the fact that they have it at all is a concern, nonetheless.

VISIBLE PROFILES & LOCATION

Pokémon GO players can add each other as 'friends' in the game by sharing their trainer codes. Two trainers who do this can then view each other's information, such as their username. If a username gives any clues to the player's real name or personal details, a stranger may then be able to look them up online. The game also lets users upload images to social media, which could publicly disclose a child's exact location.

IN-GAME PURCHASES

The game uses a currency called Pokécoins, which can be bought for real money (in bundles between £0.79 and £99.99) and exchanged for in-game items such as Pokéballs and berries. It's extremely easy for a child to purchase Pokécoins (even accidentally) if there's a payment method connected to their mobile phone – and possibly rack up a sizeable bill without realising it!

Advice for Parents & Carers

PLAY ALONGSIDE YOUR CHILD

Finding and catching Pokémon with young ones could turn into a great mutual hobby. At 25 years old, it's one of the few games franchises that spans two generations. Enjoying the game together will give you plenty of new things to talk about with your child – and if you played Pokémon in your own childhood, you might impress them with your knowledge of the digital critters!

ENCOURAGE AWARENESS

Remind your child of the physical dangers they could face while catching Pokémon and emphasise staying aware of their surroundings. The game will often alert children (through their phone) when they are close to an interesting Pokémon item – usually sending them excitedly rushing off to find it – so they should never play Pokémon GO near busy roads or in places they don't know well.

DISGUISE THE EXERCISE

One of Pokémon GO's benefits is that it encourages young (and not-so-young!) ones to get exercise outdoors. Some parts of the game can be completed from home, but it's best experienced while walking around your local area. Certain tasks (like visiting Pokéstops) can be repeated every day – and an hour outside having fun catching Pokémon will hardly feel like exercise at all!

USE AN OLDER PHONE

If children use an older phone to play Pokémon GO, then they won't be walking around with their own new device, which could get broken or stolen. Parents are also far less likely to have left a credit card linked to the old mobile. It also means that you can limit the amount of information used to set up an account, and what companies who gain access to your data can do with it.

AGREE PLAY BOUNDARIES

Ensure your child knows where they are (and aren't) allowed to go searching for Pokémon, when they have to be home, and how often they can play the game. Talk to other young Pokémon GO fans' parents or carers to see what boundaries they set for their children. Lunchtimes (if allowed by the school) or after school are ideal times for getting some exercise and catching all those Pokémon!

Meet Our Expert

Mark Foster has worked in the gaming industry for several years as a writer, editor and presenter. He is the gaming editor of two of the biggest gaming news sites in the world: UNILAD Gaming and GAMINGBible. Having started gaming at a young age with his siblings, he has a passion for understanding how games and tech work – but, more importantly, how to make them safe and fun.



SOURCES: <https://heimdalsecurity.com/blog/is-pokemon-go-safe/>
<https://bleedingcool.com/games/pokemon-go-announces-quality-of-life-updates-for-february-2021/>



Easter Play at Dringhouses

**Indoor & Outdoor Games • Trips & Visits •
Baking and Craft • Planting**

Friday 31st of March
(teacher training day) to
Friday 14th of April (excl.
bank holidays)

**Dringhouses out of School
Club**

> **Book via Cheqdin or email us at
dringhouses@dringhousesoosc.co.uk or call
07704 069078**



EASTER

STORYWORLD ADVENTURES EGGSTRAVANZA!

The Easter bunny has packed his basket full of eggs, but there's too many and he can't carry it! Can we find a way of helping deliver the eggs to save Easter for all the boys and girls across the world?

The 1.5 hour experience includes:

- * Easter basket craft
- * Easter wreath
- * Egg Hunt

Tickets £15
Siblings £10

FRIDAY APRIL 7TH

**WILBERFOSS COMMUNITY CENTRE,
10.30-12.00**

**FOXWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE.
2.00-3.30**

Children up to 6yrs, older siblings welcome, babes in arms free.



HAPPY EASTER

FREE


TO KIDS WHO
RECEIVE
BENEFITS
RELATED FREE
SCHOOL
MEALS

KEEP YOUR
CHILDREN BUSY
THIS EASTER WITH OUR

FREE
MEAL
PROVIDED

HAF Sports & Dance


ACTIVITY CAMPS


 **Ages:** 5-12 years

 **Poppleton Road
Memorial Hall**
Oak Street, Holgate,
York YO26 4SE

 **HAF Holiday Camps**
9:30am - 1:30pm

 **Easter Holidays:**
 **Week 1:** 3rd-6th April
 **Week 2:** 11th-14th April

 **Require Help?**
Call 01482 218 753

 **Information**
Children will be provided
with a free, healthy lunch
and will take part in a
nutritional workshop


**COVID-19
SAFE**



BOOK TODAY

bit.ly/poppleton-easter-23

Happy Healthy Holidays

WHAT: Holiday Football Fun Course

WHEN: Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th April

WHERE: Huntington Secondary School YO32 9WT

TIME: 10am to 3pm

REFRESHMENTS: Water, snacks and packed lunch will be provided

WHO: Families eligible for benefits-related free school meals living in York



FOUNDATION



How to book: Enter the following code YCF23 at 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. You can book one or both courses. Spaces are LIMITED with bookings closing Friday 17th Mar 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.

Underwater Hockey – Why not give it a go.....?

We're currently looking for new members, and as part of that aim we're hoping to get some interest from younger people, as historically the club had many junior members who even competed at junior national tournaments. We are running a free "Give it a go" session on Saturday 11th March 15:00-16:00 at Yearsley Swimming Pool and would be delighted if we could introduce the sport to some new, enthusiastic members! I'm hoping to reach out to Year 5 and 6 aged students to foster some interest and was wondering if it is any way possible to facilitate this through local schools, which would be very much appreciated! I'm happy to discuss any appropriate means that we can reach out in coordination with schools.

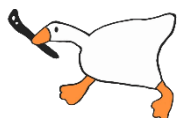
Further details about our club and specifics of the event can be found in the link to our facebook page in the email signature below, but the only requirement we have for people who want to give it a try is that they are confident swimming at least a length of a pool, and happy with trying to dive to the bottom of the pool. All that people need to bring is a swimming costume and some socks to wear under fins. We will supply all equipment including:

- Fins
- Mask
- Snorkel
- Hats
- Gloves
- Sticks

As the club is a British Octopush Association member, we are also covered by their insurance policy, and have attached a letter with details. I have also attached a leaflet detailing the time and place for the session.

Apologies if this is not the best contact to use for this request, please let me know if a more appropriate contact exists!

Best Regards,
Sam Birt



York Octopush Club

**Underwater Hockey...
The Reason You
Learnt To Swim!**

**FUN for aquatic
animals of all kinds!**

Contact:
yorkoctopush@gmail.com
Give it a go! 3-4pm Saturday 11th March
Yearsley Swimming Pool

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The poster features a blue-tinted underwater scene in a swimming pool. A green frog is on the left, a blue dog's head is on the right, a crab is in the center, and a sea turtle is at the bottom. Various pieces of underwater hockey equipment, including a stick, a puck, and a fin, are scattered on the pool floor. The text is overlaid on the scene in white and black.



**MINI
ATHLETICS**

**SUPERSTAR
HOLIDAY CAMP**



The Mini Athletics Superstar Holiday Camp

Monday 3rd – Wednesday 5th April

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 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

THE SUPERSTAR HOLIDAY CAMP



www.miniathletics.com



Easter Holiday workshops

A programme of free events, for children eligible for free school meals. All sessions are 10:00-12:00 and children will get a choice of meal in the library cafe afterwards.

Circus Skills for ages 8+

Lively and creative circus skills session. Scarf juggling, plate spinning, diabolo flipping, balloon balancing fun!

Acomb Explore Monday 3 April
Tang Hall Explore Tuesday 11 April
York Explore Wednesday 12 April



Hoglets Workshop for ages 5+

We will be using drama, puppetry, craft, movement, storytelling and fun to explore how we think and feel.

Workshop 1 will be investigating how our feelings look to those around us with the use of craft, music and movement.

Workshop 2 will be exploring how our feelings affect our bodies using drama, puppetry and storytelling.

York Explore Session 1 Mon 3 April, Session 2 Thurs 6 April
Acomb Explore Session 1 Tues 4 April, Session 2 Thurs 13 April
Tang Hall Explore Session 1 Weds 5 April, Session 2 Weds 12 April

Children can attend one or both sessions.

All children aged 8 and under must be supervised by an adult

Craft & Create for ages 5+

Get creative and enjoy making some spring themed crafts. Have hands on fun and choose from seasonal activities such as sock bunnies and Easter garlands.

Tang Hall Explore Tuesday 4 April
Acomb Explore Friday 14 April

All children aged 8 and under must be supervised by an adult



Comic Illustration for ages 11+

Whether your head is already filled with ideas, or you have a passing interest in comics, learn tips and tricks to tell your story! No prior knowledge is required, only an interest in drawing and telling stories

Acomb Explore Saturday 1 April
York Explore Monday 3 April
Tang Hall Explore Saturday 15 April

Booking essential.

Please email lyndsay.glover@exploreymork.org.uk to secure your place.

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TO FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING
ON THIS SCHOOL HOLIDAY.

WHAT'S
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YORK



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