



Newsletter

Friday 7th February 2025

Next Week

Monday	
Tuesday	1p Book Fair 3:30pm - 4pm Hall Smoothie Bike in School
Wednesday	
Thursday	Athlete in School Y4 River Bus in school EYFS Valentine's Party 4:30pm - 5:15pm FS2 Classroom
Friday	Valentine's Disco Y1-3 4:30pm - 5:30pm Y4-6 5:45PM - 6:45pm

Attendance



1st Place - Class 1 - 99.1%

2nd Place - Class 6 - 98.9%

3rd Place - FS2 - 98%

Please continue to promote good attendance.

We are trying to ensure all children are in and ready to learn before we close the gates at 9:00am.



Whole School Attendance:



95.4%



1p Book Fair

Tuesday 11th February

An amazing opportunity to expand your child's love of reading!

A variety of book for all ages costing no more than 1p each.



Forest School

Monday 10th February:

Year 3

Friday 14th February:

Year 4

Please make sure children wear suitable clothing.



ParentPay

Please ensure you pay any outstanding balances on your ParentPay accounts.

Thank you.



ParentPay



House Points Total



**Purple
Amethysts
Points**

324

**Red
Rubies
Points**

352

**Green
Emeralds
Points**

377

**Blue
Sapphires
Points**

299

**Yellow
Diamonds
Points**

398



Merit Point



40 merits: Jayden O

300 merits: Abel H

400 merits: Kase W

500 merits: Olivia J

700 merits: John S, Raevyn R

1100 merits: Madison C, Harvey W

1200 merits: Ruby M, Alice Mc,
Ashleigh C



**'I have worked hard
to improve my
behaviour'**

Y6. Alfie H



Y5. Darcey J

Y4. Archie B

Y3. Jayden-James O

Y2. Kasper' John T

Y1. Zico S

FS2. Lucas D

Key dates next half term

Monday 3rd & 4th March	Y5 Bikeability
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day (Children may dress up as a book character)
Monday 10th - 13th March	Y6 Mocks SATS
Tuesday 11th March	EYFS Aquatic Fanatic Morning Pre-Loved Uniform Sale 3.30 - 4.30pm Hall
Tuesday 18th March	Y5 Bowlees Farm Trip
Tuesday 18th - 25th March	Scholastic Book Fair
Monday 24th & 25th March	Y5 Bikeability
Friday 28th March	Y2 Whitby Trip
Tuesday 1st April	Y3 & Y4 Keyboard Performance for Parents 3pm Hall
Friday 4th April	Decorated Egg Competition BREAK UP FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS
Tuesday 22nd April	CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL

Safeguarding spotlight:

Scams & Fake News

SCAMS AND FAKE NEWS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

"Fake news" refers to falsified or misleading material presented as a legitimate account of events. It's often used by malicious actors online to push an agenda, or even by criminals as a way of making scams more persuasive. Scammers can trick us into handing over personal information, security details and even our hard-earned cash.

"CLICKBAIT" PHISHING SCAMS

A message arrives saying "Have you seen this video of yourself?" or you might be sent an attention-grabbing headline about a celebrity that's been shared on social media. This kind of "bait" is produced by scammers to drive us to click on an unsafe link, where malware could be downloaded to our devices. These scams rely on our curiosity and our "need-to-know" instinct.

SALES, DEALS & DISCOUNTS

Some scams appear as adverts, offering a chance to buy something – such as designer products, expensive gadgets or tickets to a popular show – at a reduced price. Such plays often include a time limit or countdown, urging us to hurry so we don't miss out on the deal. This pressure encourages us to input personal details or payment information before pausing to check if it's legitimate.

YOU'RE A WINNER!

This kind of scam involves fake giveaways, opportunities or freebies. It could be a message saying we've won a prize draw or competition. Or it could be a gift, free trial, bonus credit, and suchlike. It might claim that a package or refund is waiting. All these techniques are used to prompt us to share our personal information, thinking that there's something to be gained by doing so.

FALSE FRIENDSHIPS

Scammers often pretend to be someone they're not to gain their victims' trust. They might attempt to convince any children they connect with that they're a child of similar age with shared interests. Warning signs include a high volume of messages (often with an intense tone), secrecy, inappropriate levels of intimacy, guilt tripping, emotional manipulation, threats or blackmail.

PANIC MODE

To trigger a sense of panic, scammers may claim that a child's account has been hacked, or a virus has been installed on their device, or any number of other scary scenarios. They may claim to be able to fix the problem or offer a solution – if the child hands over control of the device or sensitive information. Similar scams involve impersonating a friend or relative, claiming that they're in trouble and need help.

FAKE CELEBRITY ENDORSEMENTS

Impersonating influential people online is a common tactic for scammers, who can use technology to create fake photos, audio and even videos that look authentic. These can be used to convince us, for example, to buy products, sign up for so-called "business opportunities" or invest in cryptocurrency schemes – all of which are fake or otherwise malicious. Many scams also involve the impersonation of popular companies' social media accounts, as well as those of individuals.

Advice for Parents & Educators

STAY INFORMED

Stay up to date with the latest information and best practice on cyber-security. See what scam stories are reported in the news and make note of what tactics were used. Keep up with young people's digital lives: talk about what they're doing online and use properly endorsed resources to learn what risks certain sites and apps pose to their younger users.

ENCOURAGE HEALTHY SCEPTICISM

Most scams rely on emotional or psychological manipulation, tapping into our human instincts – whether that's to keep ourselves safe, help others, find answers, make friends, avoid losing out or to secure something we really want. Encourage children to recognise that pressure to act and to always consult with an adult – especially if what's on offer sounds too good to be true.

TALK TOGETHER

Chat often and openly with young people about fake news, online scams and how they both work. Encourage them to talk to you about anything they're unsure of or worried about online. If a child claims to have been scammed, don't pass judgement. Blaming the victim may deter young people from asking you for help. Remember: adults are scammed just as often, if not more.

BE PROACTIVE

Children increasingly use digital devices for education, socialising, shopping and play. Don't wait for a problem to arise before you discuss the risk of scams, false information and fake news. Highlight what to look out for and clearly communicate under what circumstances the child ought to speak to an adult. Finally, ensure that they're aware of the support services that are available to them (such as Childline).



Valentine's Disco!

Friday 14th February

Year 1-3 4:30pm – 5:30pm

Year 4-6 5:45pm – 6.45pm

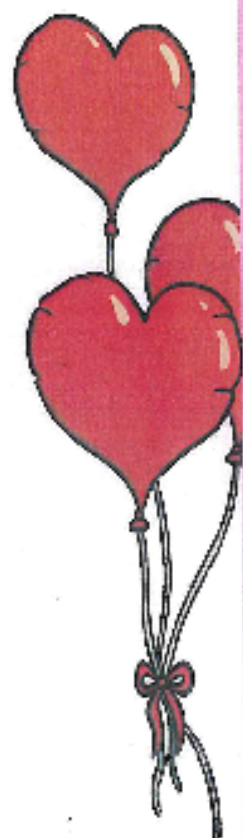
£2 Entry

Free squash and water available

Tuck Shop

Cash only please

**ALL CHILDREN MUST BE
COLLECTED BY AN ADULT**



ONLINE SESSIONS

For Parents/ Carers

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD'S NEEDS

For parents/carers of neurodiverse children
(with a diagnosis or awaiting assessment)

**Presented by
NYC Children and
Families Service:
Early Help**



Tuesday 25TH February , 18:00 –19:00
**Supporting you to support your child through
shutdown, meltdown and crisis**

Tuesday 25TH March , 18:00 –19:00
**Supporting you and your child with their
emotional and sensory regulation**

Tuesday 29TH April , 18:00 –19:00
Supporting you and your child with sleep

For more information contact
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candhubrichmond@northyorks.gov.uk

For the past year, North Yorkshire Citizens Advice & Law Centre has been dedicated to providing comprehensive support through our face-to-face drop-in advice sessions specifically designed for serving personnel, their families, and veterans. Located in and around Catterick, including the Hambleton and Richmondshire areas, this initiative aims to deliver essential guidance to clients with a military connection.

Our dedicated advisers offer a wide range of generalist advice on crucial topics such as benefits, energy, debt, and housing. Recognising the unique challenges faced by our clients, we also provide specialised support related to various forms and applications. This includes assistance with Personal Independence Payment (PIP) forms, Work Capability Assessments, Attendance Allowance, Disability Allowance forms, and Mandatory Reconsiderations, among others. Please note that this list is not exhaustive, and we are committed to addressing a variety of client needs.

In addition to our advisory services funded by the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust, we have secured funding from the Veteran's Foundation for specialist legal advice, ensuring that our clients receive comprehensive support tailored to their individual circumstances. For those who prefer a more private setting, we can arrange appointments for confidential discussions either in person or over the phone.

Our adviser on this project has established strong connections with numerous partner organisations that serve the military community. This collaboration allows us to make direct referrals within this network, enabling us to provide a more holistic and integrated service to our clients.

We are dedicated to empowering our clients with the knowledge and resources they need to navigate their circumstances effectively, ensuring that they receive the support they deserve.

We have a dedicated help line: 01748 902020

E-mail: catterick.connection@northyorksca.org.uk

Online referral form: <https://www.cany.org.uk/catterick-connection-referral/>



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