



# Fishergate Newsletter 13

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I really find it difficult to believe that we have reached the end of the half term already. It has been a busy one and we have lots to be proud about. Our Year 2 and Year 6 children worked incredibly hard on their end of Key Stage tests or 'Showing Off Papers'. Their resilience and determination made us all very proud and each and every one of them made sure that they did their absolute best.

Ben Rich, who runs the chess club at Fishergate emailed to let me know that our York under 16 chess team won the Yorkshire Junior team tournament. A huge well done to Nick, Andy, Lucas, Aaron and Japhet. Also thank you to Ben for all of the time that he gives to our children.

A date for your diaries next! The Key Stage 2 talent show will take place from 5:30pm-7:30pm on Thursday 12th July. Auditions are being held after the half term holiday and further details will be sent out closer to the time.

Yesterday afternoon Key Stage 2 treated us to an afternoon of poetry and music. Each class performed a poem, a song and we had many soloists and duets – everything from rap to Bach. We saw some children as they have never been seen before; one Mum didn't know that her son had such a fabulous voice or that he was confident enough to sing unaccompanied in front of an audience of almost 200. Thank you to the fabulous performers and to all of the adults who worked so hard to put our Eisteddfod together.

Matthew Snowden has helped modernise me by setting up a twitter feed for school and teaching me how to use it. It turns out that it wasn't that difficult after all! I hope that it will give you more of a day-to-day flavour of what your children get up to at school and my intention is to post something on a daily basis. Find us on @Fishergate\_Sch.

Thanks to your generosity we will be sending £1276.34 to The Teenage Cancer Trust. It is brilliant that such a fabulous event in school also raises such a large amount of money. Next year we will be running on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> as the 4<sup>th</sup> is on Saturday. So put the date in your diaries if you want to join us – and why wouldn't you?

Don't forget to bring back your slips for the York Pride Parade on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June. We will be meeting at 11:15am in the Deanery Gardens (behind the Minster).

Finally, I would like to wish you all a happy half term holiday. I am hoping that the start of the holiday doesn't mean the end of the sunshine! Don't forget that we have a training day on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> and we will be welcoming the children back on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **COURSES**

York Family Learning would like to inform parents and carers about a brand new set of daytime courses which will be starting very soon in various locations around York. They are weekly courses which are FREE OF CHARGE.

The courses are being run in collaboration between York Learning and York University's Centre for Lifelong Learning and last for six weeks. The courses are Write On! and A Beginner's Guide to Child Psychology. If you would like more information on either of these courses then please see Emma/Helen in the office. More information can also be found on the Fishergate School website.

If your child is in Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 or Y7, they have the opportunity to take part in this year's String Fun Day on 26th June.

It's free to take part, but there are a limited number of places. To sign up and for more information, please follow the link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/strings-fun-day-tickets-46222413483#tickets>

### **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Class photos will take place on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June.  
Please ensure that your child is in correct school uniform

### **SCHOOL LUNCHES**

Please ensure that your child's lunch account is kept up to date. School CANNOT be responsible for covering unpaid lunches

### **A POLITE NOTICE FROM EARLY YEARS**

Early Years Staff have kindly asked that parents/carers DO NOT allow their children or siblings to play in their outside area at the end of the school day. The staff and children in Early Years spend time each afternoon tidying up their resources. Please can I ask that you respect their hard work and keep the area tidy ready for the next morning. Many thanks for your support.