

Hob Moor Oaks

6TH FEBRUARY

Number
Day 2026

Today has been a very busy day, we have been celebrating the NSPCC Number Day 2026.

There have been some wonderful number inspired outfits worn by our pupils and staff across the school, thank you to for helping us to celebrate the days and sending in your donations for the NSPCC.

Across the school classes have create a sensory story taking inspiration from the NSPCC's stories for maths using texts from our maths scheme of work.

These stories were "Washing Line" by Jez Alborough "How many legs?" by Kes Gray and "My Granny went to Market" by Stella Blackstone. I hope you enjoy seeing the photographs which your child's class team shares on Tapestry.

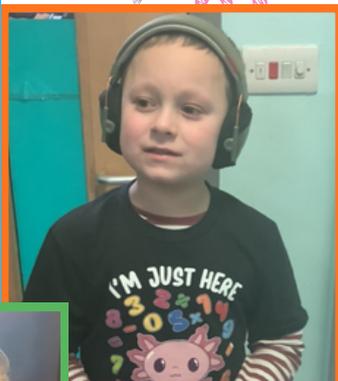
Big Thank you to Charlotte and Mhairi for their planning of the day.

Number day

We had a great time today celebrating NSPCC number day. The children all look fabulous in their numbers and patterns. Thank you to all the parents and carers for making the day a success.

During the day the children have accessed different number based activities and each phase has created a number sensory story for each class to enjoy and engage in throughout the day. Here are some great pictures for you to enjoy from today.

Charlotte and Mhairi
Maths team



World Book Day

On Thursday 5th March we will be celebrating World Book Day with some fun activities.

Of course, children are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character and to bring their favourite book into school.

We are also inviting children to take part in a fun challenge over Half Term called 'Extreme Reading?'. We would like children to get a photograph of themselves reading a book in unusual or out of the ordinary places, and send school either a digital photo or bring in a paper copy. The more creative, the better!

Early Help York's short breaks are sending out a survey on 12th February to assess how their service provision can be developed to meet the needs of children and their families in York. Please look out for the link being sent out next week to share your feedback. It is due to close on 5th March.

For the Internet Safety Parent Workshop on 10th February, confirm your attendance by phoning the school office or email the admin team on admin.hmo@ebor.academy. 

Max Cards

A Max Card is a discount card for families of children with additional needs and foster families. Families can use their Max Card at venues across the UK to get **free or discounted admission**. There are a variety of experiences to explore. For example, the card entitles free admission for one child and one adult to Eureka!

Follow instructions below depending on your Local Authority to learn more.

East Riding - email

uniquefriends2016@gmail.com

North Yorkshire - email maxcard@shine21.org

City of York - contact FIS York on fis@york.gov.uk

Date	Event
W/C 9 th Feb	Orchard Phase educational visit week
Tues 10 th Feb	Parent Internet Safety Workshop from 9am-10am
Wed 11 th Feb	1:30-2:30pm EYFS Stay and play
16th - 20th Feb	February Half Term
Weds 4 th & Thur 5 th Mar	Becky Haidresser visit
Tues 17 th & Weds 18 th Mar	Woodland Phase Easter performance
Thu 26 th March	Easter Wheelchair Dancing
30 th March - 10 th April	Easter Break
Monday 13 th April	Return to school for Summer term

New Advice on "Layering Up" - Parental Controls

Many families use at least one parental control for our tech devices and platforms. Online Safety experts Internet Matters recommend that parents 'layer up' your child's online safety settings.

By using multiple layers of parental controls, like on broadband, mobile phones and different apps and platforms, you have give your child extra protection when they' re online- whether that's at home or out on their mobile phones.

Internet Matters have updated their parental controls advice hub with new explainer videos and FAQs, to help parents and carers make the most of parental controls.

Visit Internet Matters Parental Controls Hub:
<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/> Page

Vision Impairment Team Support for Families

Supporting You to Support Your Child

The City of York Council's **Vision Impairment Team** is offering dedicated weekly or half-termly support for parents/carers who have children with vision impairment.

Meet Your Specialist Support

Half-Termly Support

Abi Hall

Senior Teacher, Qualified Teacher of Vision Impairment – Vision Impairment Team

Abi will be available at SEND Central for parent/carer drop-ins between 9:00-12:00:

Tuesday 10th February

Tuesday 24th March

Tuesday 19th May

Tuesday 14th July

She can help develop your understanding of:

- Understanding your child's vision impairment in the home
- Adapting the home environment
- Accessing reading materials and leisure activities at home
- Age appropriate and developmentally appropriate independent living skills

How to Book

To arrange a drop-in time, please email:
Abi.hall@york.gov.uk

Bookings are not required, but will help ensure you don't have to wait. If you cannot make a drop-in in person, we can arrange a telephone call or Teams video call instead.

Weekly Support

Jane Watson

Specialist Teaching Assistant – Vision Impairment Team

Jane will be available:

Every Monday Morning

9:00am – 12:00 noon

She can work with you in your classroom or meet with you individually to help develop your understanding of:

- Supporting students with visual impairment
- Adapting classroom environments
- Understanding visual needs and access strategies
- Using and adapting learning materials

How to Book

To arrange a visit or meeting time, please email:
jane.watson@york.gov.uk

Bookings are required so Jane can plan her visits and ensure she can support as many staff as possible.

Why This Support Matters

- Improve confidence supporting your child, e.g. with reading and homework
- Builds parent/carer confidence
- Support community inclusion
- Supports student independence and wellbeing

