



# New York Newsletter

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**Did you know?**  
**July - Julius Caesar's month**  
 Julius Caesar reformed the Roman calendar (hence the Julian calendar) in 46 BC. In the process, he renamed this month after himself.

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**Dear Parents and Carers,**  
**What a year!**

It has been an extremely busy year, it has been a wonderfully exciting year, it has been a year of learning at all levels; we never stop learning. We have become an academy... We are part of the Horncastle Education Trust... We have had school trips every term: Coalbrookdale, London with the School Council, the Wolds Railway and the Leavers Trip yesterday to name but a few. We have taken part in sporting events and tournaments, culminating in the Gold Sports' Award for the 4<sup>th</sup> year running. Next year we are eligible for the Platinum Award... Something to aim for! We must also not forget the Pendragon Handwriting Competition as well. Just two weeks ago, in recognition of what we have all done here, I became a Local Leader in Education (LLE), which means I will be helping other schools in the county. And... let's not forget, simply wonderful KS2 SATs results.

We are here for one purpose, which is to provide our children with the best possible learning experiences we can, preparing them for their life long journey of learning. Primary school is where you make your first best friends. Primary school is where we make friends that will last forever and it is where our children's story begins. To do that we need a phenomenal staff... I most certainly have that.

I am really proud of our school and the staff work extremely hard to make learning fun and exciting. We work as a very close team and strive to involve parents as much as possible in the learning of their children. I am extremely honoured to be the Headteacher of New York Primary School and I believe that when children move on from our school at the end of Year 6 they will leave with the following idea:

At New York Primary School we aim to provide a broad and balanced education for all the children within a happy, stimulating and healthy environment and we want each child to achieve the best he or she can. We have excellent staff who all work as a very close team, dedicated to the children's learning and well-being, and to each other. Our Governing Body plays an essential role in the development and success of the school. Parents work with us in partnership and we have a thriving PTFA whose members work extremely hard to raise money and to provide a whole range of social events for parents and children. Just look at the Summer Fair. We have a strong sense of community.

Our school has a strong tradition of celebrating achievement and encouraging children's self-esteem. Our weekly Celebration Assemblies are used to formally celebrate and reward children's achievements in class and outside of school. Parents are welcome to join us in our sharing Assemblies throughout the year. If they can't make it, then they can read about it on the newsletter.

### Headteacher Awards:

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| <b>Harley Hulley</b>  | Tricky word work                         |
| <b>Lily Hurst</b>     | Making moving pictures (with mechanisms) |
| <b>Leon Dixon</b>     | Effort in writing plastic poems          |
| <b>Harley Denham</b>  | Effort in writing plastic poems          |
| <b>Josh Sidwells</b>  | Teamwork                                 |
| <b>David Househam</b> | Teamwork                                 |

### House Point Winners:

**The Red Rubies!**

### House Point Winners 2018/19:

**The Green Emeralds!**

### Stars of the Week:

**Class 1: Jaxx Sidwells**

**Class 2: Leon Dixon**

### Shining Stars:

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| <b>Freyja Newman</b>  | Being a super scientists      |
| <b>Jaxx Sidwells</b>  | Progress in all areas         |
| <b>Amelie Webb</b>    | Progress in all areas         |
| <b>Nathan Foster</b>  | Progress in all areas         |
| <b>Finlay Webb</b>    | Progress in all areas         |
| <b>Leon Dixon</b>     | Improved attitude to learning |
| <b>Felicity Webb</b>  | Progress and attitude         |
| <b>Alfie Sidwells</b> | Progress in reading and maths |

Pastorally we promote an ethos of, “treating others as we would like to be treated ourselves”, the development of excellent relationships between pupils and the whole staff team. Citizenship is a very important aspect of our school life. The School Council represents pupil views and meets with Mrs Crawford, Miss Pawson and a Governor regularly, which works in conjunction with our “Adopt a Governor Programme” and pupil questionnaires. Pupil voice is an important part of school life from EYFS to Y6. Children’s ideas for improving our school are discussed and acted upon, as are those of the parents.

We also have a reward system in school based around positivity, responsibility, resilience and friendship, with Headteacher Awards, Shining stars and house points announced weekly, promoting and encouraging individuality, hard work and above all... a feeling of self-worth.

By the time children leave us at the end of Year 6, they are responsible, independent young people and we are very proud of them. We believe that we have the confidence to succeed. I am very proud to be the Headteacher of both New York and Frithville Primary Schools.

**Dates for your diary:**  
  
**Start of the Autumn Term**  
  
**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

**Teddy Bears Picnic:**

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTFA yet again for organising the Teddy Bears Picnic last Friday. The PTFA raised a wonderful £38.31 on Friday night. Thank you!



**Year 6 Water Race:**

We had the Yr6 Annual Water Race on Wednesday, just before the end of school... Hilarious! Great fun was had by all



Attendance:							
Class 1				Class 2			
100% Attendance ~ Term 6							
	Kaiden Toulson			Sunny Birks	Alista Archibald		Holly Ebbutt
100% Attendance ~ Term 5 & 6							
Corben Place	Jaxx Sidwells	Finlay Webb	Lacey Davis	Josh Sidwells	Aeryn Martin	Isabella Place	Alfie Sidwells
Lily Hurst	Olivia Leggett	Amelie Webb	Milly Behan	Felicity Webb	Kyle Edwards	Seren Evans	Riley Edwards
Harriet Dixon	Luke Morley		Kristie Smith	David Househam	Amica Bracey-Lambert	Sam Nelson	Kieran Place
100% Attendance ~ Term 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6							
	Luke Morley		Aeryn Martin		Alfie Sidwells		David Househam
			Milly Behan		Josh Sidwells		

**Year 6 Trip:**

Year 6 had a wonderful day at the Boston Bowl yesterday. Two games of bowling, fed, watered and a guided tour behind the scenes to see how everything works. A wonderful day to finish their time at New York Primary School.

**E-safety:***WhatsApp Hack...*

A few days ago a major alert was seen regarding a new WhatsApp vulnerability. Given that many of our staff and pupils will use WhatsApp, I thought it worth letting you know. The vulnerability is called 'Agent Smith' (cue dramatic The Matrix music) and it replaces the legitimate WhatsApp with a version designed to serve malicious ads. Some outlets are stating that only Android devices have been targeted, others are reporting both Android and Apple (iOS). Just to be safe, please read the advice through the link below:

<https://blog.checkpoint.com/2019/07/10/agent-smith-android-malware-mobile-phone-hack-virus-google/>

Please see attached notes on how to keep your children safe on a multitude of devices that they might have access to...