

8th October 2020

# Knarborough St John's Newsletter

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I would like to start with another thank you for the support you have given school since the start of term. The overwhelming positive responses from the parents' survey regarding how the school has started really was appreciated.

We are constantly reviewing the ways we work in school to ensure your child receives the best education in the safest possible environment in line with all the government guidelines. One of the ways we are supporting parents is through the 'Parents' Curriculum Sessions' that are being held for those year groups that have statutory assessments this year, such as the SATs. You will have received a letter about the live session and how to access it. If you are unable to make it, please do not worry. On the school website, I have added a page called 'Curriculum Parents Session', which can be found under the Parents' Information tab, and a recording of the session will be posted.

The children have been amazing in the way they continue to adapt to the new normal in school. They really are a credit to you in the way they are working exceptionally hard, demonstrating excellent learning behaviour and playing in such a safe way within their bubble. Each day, they make us all proud!

Best wishes

Mr A Hope—Headteacher

**Harvest Festival**  
Unfortunately due to the current situation with Covid-19 we are unable to welcome you all to St John's Church for our Harvest Festival this year. However, the school will be hosting an online Harvest Festival tomorrow. As usual, we are hoping that the school will be full of food donations to support the local food banks. If you are able to support this



donation in any way, then we would be hugely grateful. Please bring any donation into school on **Friday 9th October.**

**Social Distancing!**  
We want ALL our parents to feel safe whilst on the school premises and ask that when you drop off/collect your child/ren you are social distancing at least 2 metres away from other parents in close groups. We cannot have parents talking in groups whilst waiting for their child to come out. Thank you for your understanding!

**Class 9** created some marzipan fruits (marchpane) inspired by the food eaten by royal Tudors! We designed the fruit, moulded it from marzipan and painted using water colours :)



**Macmillan Cancer Support**  
A huge thank you to Mrs Roberts who raised an amazing **£154.00** in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support for her very delicious bun/cake sale in the staff room last week.



WISDOM 731	TRUST 669
HOPE 566	PEACE 691

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**  
**MEDICAL/DENTAL APPOINTMENTS**  
Please be aware that if you need to take your child out of school during the school day for a medical or dental appointment then the main office needs to see an appointment letter/card or text to mark your child on the register. Without this your child **WILL** be marked as unauthorised for the time they are out of school. If you child accrues 10 unauthorised absences then **County will be informed** and

**Kids Club**  
Do you use Kids Club?  
Could you save money?  
Please visit [childcarechoices.gov.uk/](http://childcarechoices.gov.uk/) for more information

**Nasal Flu Vaccination**  
The Healthy Child Team are coming into school to administer the nasal flu vaccines to all children on **Wednesday 4th November 2020.** Please note that this is an **Opt-In** service and the cut-off for consent is **18th October.** After this date your child will be unable to receive the nasal flu vaccine within school. Information leaflets are in main reception.

**Year 1**  
The Year 1 children have made a great start to the new school year and are thoroughly enjoying their Toy-tastic theme. So far we have enjoyed stories based on toys, explored a variety of media to create still life drawings and looked at a range of toys to find out what materials they are made from. In Maths we have been number superstars and are now moving onto addition work. Please remember to join our curriculum meeting at **4pm on Monday the 12th October.**

**Autumn Term 2020**  
**9th October**—Harvest Festival Donations  
**12th October**—Year 1 Curriculum Zoom Meeting at 4pm  
**23rd October**—'Wear it Pink' Day for whole school for £1 donation  
**23rd October**—Half Term (normal closing time)



**2nd November**—School Re-Opens  
**4th November**—Whole school Nasal Flu Vaccinations—Opt In Only  
**18th December**—School Closes for Christmas Holiday



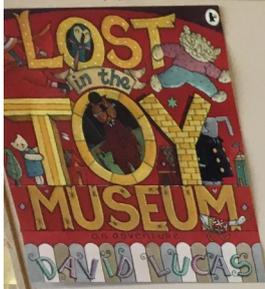
**4th January**—Teacher Training Day—School Closed for Pupils  
**5th January**—School Re-Opens

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**  
**Parking on drop-off and collection**  
We've had a couple of complaints from our local residents asking us to remind you to park responsibly on the streets surrounding school at the beginning and end of each school day. We have parents parking on Zig Zags and across driveways to save them time. **Please respect our neighbours! Children Arrival/Drop-off**  
Please can we remind and encourage everyone to arrive at school for your child's allocated drop off/collection time. We are finding some parents arriving 10 minutes early or late which is then creating a situation where more parents than necessary are gathering in the playgrounds. We are constantly reviewing these times and you will be informed if they change for your child's year group, then you will be informed.

**Non-Uniform Wear it Pink Day!**  
**Friday 23rd October** wearing something pink for a **£1 donation.** All donations will go to 'Breast Cancer Now'

**Kids Club**  
**Please note:** To book your child/ren into Kids Club they require at least **48 hours** notice to make sure they are staffed appropriately. **Children/Staff Ratio's are a legal requirement.** The school office **cannot** take bookings or cancellations on behalf of the Kids Club. Contact number **01423 869574**



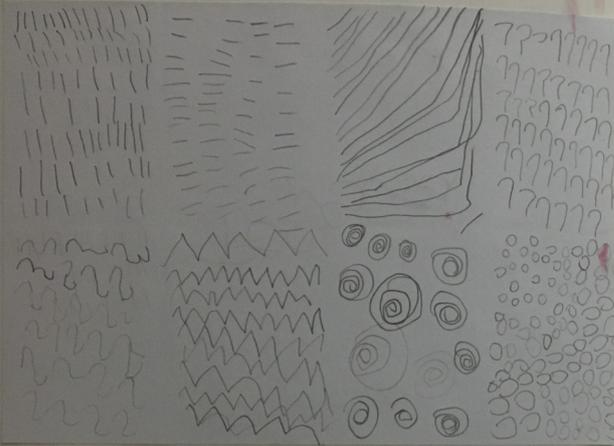


Can you find our toys in the picture?



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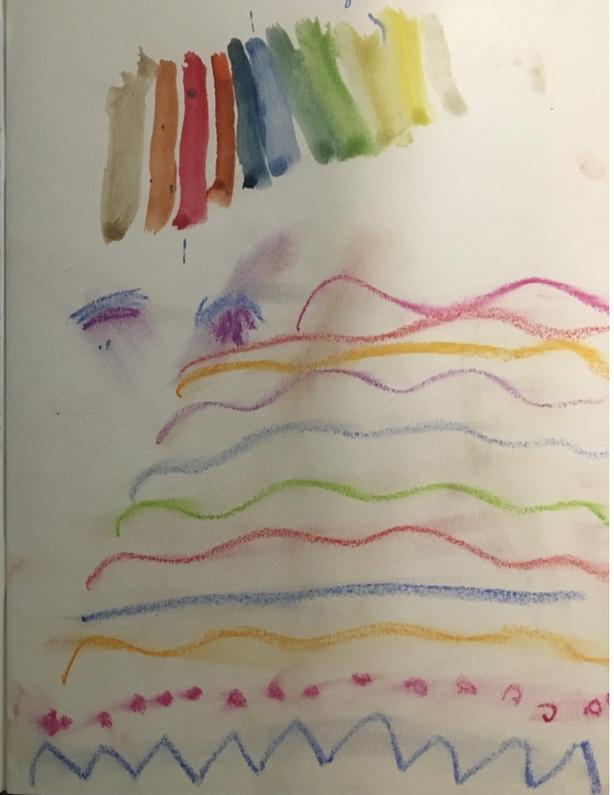
Oli: To explore pattern, line and shape.



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\*keep checking pencil grip.

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Oli: To explore a range of media.  
Context: Still life.





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**Libraries Week**

5-10 OCTOBER 2020

# Knaresborough Library

This Libraries Week we are celebrating the **power of reading**. Reading is your passport to anywhere in this world (or another!) and helps your child:

- \* Improve concentration & memory
- \* Develop language & imagination
- \* Encourage critical thinking skills
- \* Perform better at school
- \* Build confidence and empathy
- \* Be happy!

A FREE library card gives you and your children access to thousands of books both from their local library AND eBooks, eAudiobooks and comics from our digital library!

Pop in or give us a call to speak to our friendly staff and volunteers

**Knaresborough Library current opening hours:**

**Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday: 9.30am–12.30pm & 2pm–5pm**

**Thursday & Saturday 9.30am–1.30pm**

**Friday 9.30am–12.30pm & 2pm–7pm**

You can use your library card at all North Yorkshire Libraries including:  
Bilton & Woodfield Community Library, Starbeck Community Library and  
Harrogate Library

Our digital library can be accessed here:

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/digital-library>



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