

AUTUMN TERM NEWSLETTER



FRIDAY, 12TH SEPTEMBER 2025

SAVE THE DATE...

Monday, 15 th September	Whole school reading café in the hall, 2.55pm. All welcome.
Wednesday, 24 th September	Newby phonics and reading information evening, 5pm
Monday, 29 th Sept to Friday, 3 rd Oct	Helmsley Class Residential
Friday, 10 th October	Harvest Service in Church 9.15am
Thursday, 16 th October	Individual Photos, 1.00pm
Friday, 17 th October	Flu Immunisation Session – Reception to Year 6
Tuesday, 21 st October	Ripley Class to Ripon Museum – <i>sponsored by The Friends</i>
Thursday, 23 rd October	Newby Stay and Play session in the hall, 9.15- 11.30am
Thursday, 23 th October	Silent Disco
Thursday, 23th October	END OF HALF TERM
Friday, 24 th October	School Training Day (closed to pupils)
Monday, 3 rd November	School Training Day (closed to pupils)
Tuesday, 4th October	BACK TO SCHOOL
Friday, 31 st October	Last day to apply for secondary school place

Celebration Assemblies are held every Friday at 2.50pm
ALL WELCOME (please enter via the hall door)

➤ **Applying for a Secondary School Place**

Applications are now open, you **must** apply for a secondary school place by 31st October 2025. A letter with more information was sent home earlier this week. National Offer day is Monday, 2nd March 2026.

Secondary schools offer Open Evenings where you generally are able to meet staff, take a tour of the school and ask any questions you might have about your child making the transition to secondary school. Full dates and times are published on school websites.

➤ **Forest School**

Please provide your child with appropriate outdoor clothing for Forest School sessions. They will always need a waterproof coat and outdoor shoes. Waterproof trousers are desirable and hats and gloves for when the weather turns colder.

➤ **Changeable weather**

During transitional seasons the weather can be unpredictable with a mix of sunshine and showers. Please ensure your child brings a coat to school.

➤ **BAFTA**

The morning session runs from 8.00am until 8.50am Monday to Friday. Please drop your child off in Newby class.

The afternoon club runs from 3.15pm to 5.15 Monday to Thursday and until 4.15pm on Friday. Please collect from the hall door in the playground. Children's belongings are now kept in the corridor outside Ripley class.

Our BAFTA sessions are staffed by our classroom teaching assistants who work across the school and know all the children.



Meet Children's Author Tom Palmer

Saturday 13 September 2025

10.30-11.30 am



The Blue House Bookshop 10 Bootham, York YO30 7BL



➤ **Star of the Week Awards**

Congratulations to the following children for excellent effort and attitude in class and for demonstrating resilience and perseverance with their work:

Newby	Martha
Ripley	Leo
Harlow	Hamish
Helmsley	Isobel

➤ **Hot Chocolate Award**

Congratulations to the following children for the exemplary behavior and for living out our school values of kindness, courage and respect:

Newby	Felicity
Ripley	Louis
Harlow	Sophie
Helmsley	Freddie

Ambassador Award

Newby Class



Friends of Marton School Newsletter



The Friends
Of Marton cum Graffton CofE Primary School

<p>Next Friends Meeting</p> <p>📅 Wednesday 17th September, 8–9pm 📍 The Punch Bowl</p>	<p>Join us to share ideas and help shape our upcoming events. Everyone is welcome – we'd especially love to see some new faces!</p>
<p>Bake Sale</p> <p>📅 Friday 19th September – after school pick-up</p>	<p>Come and treat yourself! All proceeds go to support Friends of Marton School.</p> <p>💳 Cash and card payments accepted</p> <p>Baking donations welcome – please bring your bakes into school on Thursday 18th September.</p>
<p>Club 100</p> <p>📅 Next draw: 26th September (during Celebration Assembly)</p>	<p>Future draws:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18th December • 27th February <p>✦ We'll be opening up for new members in January – a great time to join!</p>
<p>Welcome Party & Autumn Disco</p> <p>📅 Thursday 23rd October</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KS1: 5.30–6.30pm (parents must stay) • KS2: 6.30–7.30pm <p>👤 Volunteers needed! Please get in touch if you can help set up or run the bar/bake sale.</p>	<p>🎫 Tickets: £5.00 per child</p> <p>Payment in advance to The Friends of Marton School:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sort code: 40-12-28 • Account no: 21089285 <p>On the night: tuck shop, bake sale and bar – cash and card accepted.</p>
<p>Christmas Event</p> <p>📅 Thursday 12th December</p>	<p>We're planning something special! Keep an eye out for more details soon.</p>
<p>School Uniform Exchange</p> <p>👕 Do you have pre-loved school uniform, shoes or coats? Please drop donations at the school office.</p> <p>For those needing items, look out for the rail at drop-off and pick-up times. Take what you need and make a small donation to The Friends of Marton account.</p>	

REGULAR REMINDERS...

➤ School start and end of day times

Pre-School	8.45-11.45 AM session / 1.00-3.00 PM session
Reception	8.40 for register at 8.50 / 3.10
Years 1-2	8.30 for register at 8.50 / 3.10
Years 3-6	8.30 for register at 8.40 / 3.15

Parents should provide supervision outside of these times when on school premises. Children should not use the play equipment and non-pupils and toddlers should be supervised at all times.

➤ BAFTA - For any queries about before and after school club please email: admin@mcgprimaryschool.org

Morning sessions start at 8.00am

After School sessions finish at 5.15pm Monday - Thursday and 4.15pm Friday (School Hall)

➤ Absence reminder

If your child is going to be absent, please telephone the school by 9.15am rather than send an email.

➤ Lateness

If you think you are going to be late, please do not keep your child off school for the rest of the day. Being late and in school is better than being absent.

➤ Safeguarding

Should you have any safeguarding concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs ML Thirlaway

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr Wilkie

➤ Holidays during Term Time

Parents who take a child on leave in term time without the permission of the Academy risk being issued with a penalty notice fine for unauthorised absences. Mrs Thirlaway is only able to authorise leave of absence in exceptional circumstances.

➤ Collecting Children from School

Please inform a member of staff if someone different is collecting your child at the end of the day. If your child walks to/from school, please complete a walk to school form which is available from the School Office.

➤ Free School Meals

If you get certain benefits, your child could qualify for free school meals during all school years. Anyone can check eligibility and apply online: www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals

➤ Parking Outside School

Please remember that parking on zig-zag lines at any time of the day is prohibited. Please pass this information on to other family members who may be dropping off/collecting. Thank you.

➤ Easyfundraising

Raise funds for school simply by shopping online. This really does make a difference to our school. Please click the link for more info: [EASYFUNDRAISING](#). Thank you for your continued support.

➤ Music Tuition in school

For children who are interested in applying for music tuition in school, you can find out more information here:

[Music Lessons](#)

"Aspire, Believe and Achieve in a Caring Christian Community"

Our children will flourish, be safe and valued, in a nurturing Christian community. They will aspire to be the best that they can be; believe in their abilities and gain the courage and confidence to achieve their goals.

Our Christian Vision is lived out through the values of **Kindness, Courage and Respect** and illustrated through the parable of **The Seed and The Sower**

The seed planted in the good earth represents those who hear the Word, embrace it, and produce a harvest beyond their wildest dreams" Mark 4:2