

St Hedda's Catholic Primary School



Stars of the week
Class 1 - Nevaeh
Class 2 - Aubree

In Class 1 - This week has been super exciting as always. On Tuesday we had the best day as we visited Preston Park and Butterfly world! The children loved learning about the old shops on the Victorian Street, finished with a trip to the sweetshop. Butterfly World was amazing too, the children enjoyed seeing a selection of butterflies and even feeding the fish.

In Early Years this week the children have been developing their gross motor skills by digging, cleaning, building and scrubbing. These skills are great skills for excellent writers! Another fabulous week!

Remember reading at home equals raffle tickets and a chance for a dip in the prize box!

In Class 2 - This week, Class 2 have had a fantastic time writing persuasive speeches and completing adverts on how to stay safe online. We've also been developing our maths skills by exploring prime numbers and practising addition across 10, 100, and 1000. In History, we learned about memorial places related to World War II, deepening our understanding of how we remember the past. Our P.E. sessions have been packed with excitement! During horse riding, we further developed our trotting skills, including trotting over poles. We also mucked out the horses' stables to ensure they had clean, cosy beds. In addition, we've enjoyed playing tag rugby and even had the opportunity to compete against other schools. A brilliant and busy week in Class 2!

NEWSLETTER

17.10.25

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Monday 20th October

p.m. Horse Riding - final session this half term

Tuesday 21st October

2 - 3 p.m. School starter stay and play session

Wednesday 22nd October

p.m. Forest School

2.30 pm Residential (s) meeting for parents

3.30 pm SATs meeting for parents

5 p.m. Family and Friends Autumn Disco

Thursday 23rd October

Friday 24th October

p.m Class 2 Cross Country , Whitby
Break up for half term

Governor Visits

We are well supported in school by a team of knowledgeable and experienced governors. They visit school regularly as part of their role and report on their findings. Here are a couple of quotes from a visit this week:

'The curriculum is designed so that each child has access to the general curriculum, but this is then adapted to each child's developmental needs. This innovative approach to curriculum design and delivery ensures progress for all children.'

'Learning behaviours are excellent. The children respond to the adults positively and are keen to learn. The children are happy and settled and have a positive attitude to their learning. They understand what is expected from them and are confident to seek clarification when necessary.'

Parent's Evening Date Change

Due to circumstances beyond our control the date of parents evening needed to be altered. Please note that the new date is Tuesday 4th November. Appointments will be available to book via Arbor from Friday 17th October.

SATS Club

An information session for parents explaining the Y6 SATS tests will take place on Wednesday 22nd October at 3.30pm in school. **Please confirm your attendance by emailing enquiries@stheddas.npcat.org.uk**

All year 6 children are invited to attend an after school SATS club each week 3:15 - 4:15 beginning Thursday 6th November.

Autumn Disco

A fun fancy dress disco for all pupils and their friends and family on Wednesday 22nd October 5-6:30pm. Tickets cost £5 per child and can be paid on the door. This will include hot dogs, crisps, cake and a drink. Please bring change to purchase glow sticks and sweets. Year 6 pupils whose parents are attending the staff meeting are welcome to change into their costume/clothes at school.

Swimming

Weekly swimming lessons will begin on Friday 7th November for all children in Class 2.

If you wish to collect your child from the Leisure Centre at 2.40 pm, then please let us know in advance.

Reception Place Applications

We have been delighted by the level of interest in Reception places for September 2026. Please remember to apply for your child's place and let friends and family know about our stay and play/ open evening opportunities.

Applications for Reception places opens on the 12th October for children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022.

For more information or to apply online please visit the local authority website <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-admissions/starting-primary-school-and-junior-school>

Secondary School Applications

Applications for Secondary school places close on 31st October for those Year 6 pupils transferring to Secondary school in September 2026. Applications can be made online at: www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions

Wraparound Care


Breakfast and After School Club costs:

Breakfast Club - 8.00 - 9.00 a.m. - £2.50 per session

After School Club - 3.15 - 5.00 p.m. (4.30pm Fridays) - £5.50 per session

Please remember to book clubs in advance by the Thursday for the following week and indicate approx. time of collection if you have booked for After School club. Thank you

ONE FOR OCTOBER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
		1st October	2nd October	3rd October	4th October	5th October
Did you know? The Chief Medical Officer (CMO) recommends that children and young people aged 5-16 should get at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity every day.		Speed Bounce One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Mountain Climbers One minute challenge Bronze: 10 Silver: 20 Gold: 30+	Shoulder Rolls One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Can you be active for one hour (60 minutes) with your friends or family? 	
6th October	7th October	8th October	9th October	10th October	11th October	12th October
Apple Picking One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Burpees One minute challenge Bronze: 10 Silver: 20 Gold: 30+	High Knees One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Leg Kicks One minute challenge Bronze: 10 Silver: 20 Gold: 30+	Shoulder Raises One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Can you be active for one hour (60 minutes) with your friends or family? 	
13th October	14th October	15th October	16th October	17th October	18th October	19th October
Bicep Curls One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Side Lunges One minute challenge Bronze: 10 Silver: 20 Gold: 30+	Calf Raises One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Tuck Jumps One minute challenge Bronze: 10 Silver: 20 Gold: 30+	Squats One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Can you be active for one hour (60 minutes) with your friends or family? 	
20th October	21st October	22nd October	23rd October	24th October	25th October	26th October
Arm Circles One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Crunches One minute challenge Bronze: 10 Silver: 20 Gold: 30+	Body Twists One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Push Ups One minute challenge Bronze: 10 Silver: 20 Gold: 30+	Elbows to Knees One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Can you be active for one hour (60 minutes) with your friends or family? 	
27th October	28th October	29th October	30th October	31st October		
Toe Taps One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Side Reach One minute challenge Bronze: 10 Silver: 20 Gold: 30+	Star Jumps One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+	Squat Jumps One minute challenge Bronze: 10 Silver: 20 Gold: 30+	Punches One minute challenge Bronze: 20 Silver: 30 Gold: 40+		

FORTHCOMING DATES/EVENTS

Half Term - Mon 27th - Fri 31st October

NOVEMBER 2025

Tues 4th - Parents Consultation Meetings

Thur 6th - Weekly After school SATs club begins for Y6 pupils

Fri 7th - Weekly swimming sessions begin

Mon 10th - Anti Bullying Week

Tues 11th - Remembrance Day

Tues 11th - Class 2 Basketball, Whitby

Fri 14th - Children in Need

Tues 18th - Y5/6 Sportshall Athletics, Whitby

Wed 19th - Cinema visit and Outdoor Learning at Saltburn

Wed 19th - Open Evening

Wed 26th - PTA Meeting at 12.30pm

Wed 26th - Advent Wreath making

Thur 27th - School Photo's

DECEMBER 2025

Tues 2nd - Flu vaccinations

Wed 3rd - Advent Mass and Christingle

Wed 3rd - Christmas Bingo

Fri 5th - Non Uniform Day

Tue 9th - Class 2 Dodgeball, Whitby

Thur 11th - Christmas Performance

Mon 15th - Carol Singing at Shetland House

Tues 16th - Class 1 Panto Visit, Middlesbrough

Wed 17th - Class 2 Panto Visit, Scarborough

Wed 17th - Carols in St. Hedda's Church

Thur 18th - Christmas Lunch

Fri 19th - Christmas Party

Fri 19th - Break up for Christmas holidays