



## Stars of the Week

Class	Chosen by Teacher	Chosen by Class
Mrs Burrell	Wren J-C	Oliver F
Mr Whiteley	Harvey J	Josie B
Mrs Mitchell	Advika P	Paige P-Y
Miss Gooding	Evan F	Sophie T
Mrs Crossley	Mali C	Lilly-Mae S
Mrs Jones	Amelia C	Ben H
Mrs Cross	Olivia W	Maya T
Mrs Hughes	Gracie-Mae G	Fritz N
Miss Mutch	Emily W	Finley W
Mrs Slinger	Xavier Mc	Barney R
Mrs H & Mr E	Amelia S	Luke B

# House Points

House	Points
Red	1411
Yellow	1428
Green	1238
Blue	1300

**APPLEGARTH VALUES AWARD**  
 This week, \_\_\_\_\_ has demonstrated being **RESPECTFUL** by \_\_\_\_\_  
 A super display of our values!  
 Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLEGARTH VALUES AWARD**  
 This week, \_\_\_\_\_ has demonstrated being **READY** by \_\_\_\_\_  
 A super display of our values!  
 Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLEGARTH VALUES AWARD**  
 This week, \_\_\_\_\_ has demonstrated being **SAFE** by \_\_\_\_\_  
 A super display of our values!  
 Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Reading Records

We love seeing our children take home Fable, Plato and Pandora every week. They are so motivated to read and are excited to see which of their classmates has won each week. Please ensure you record any reading done at home in your child's reading record (including reading of phonics and Read to Me books in KS1). As part of our homework policy (shared recently), we ask that children read a minimum of three times a week at home.



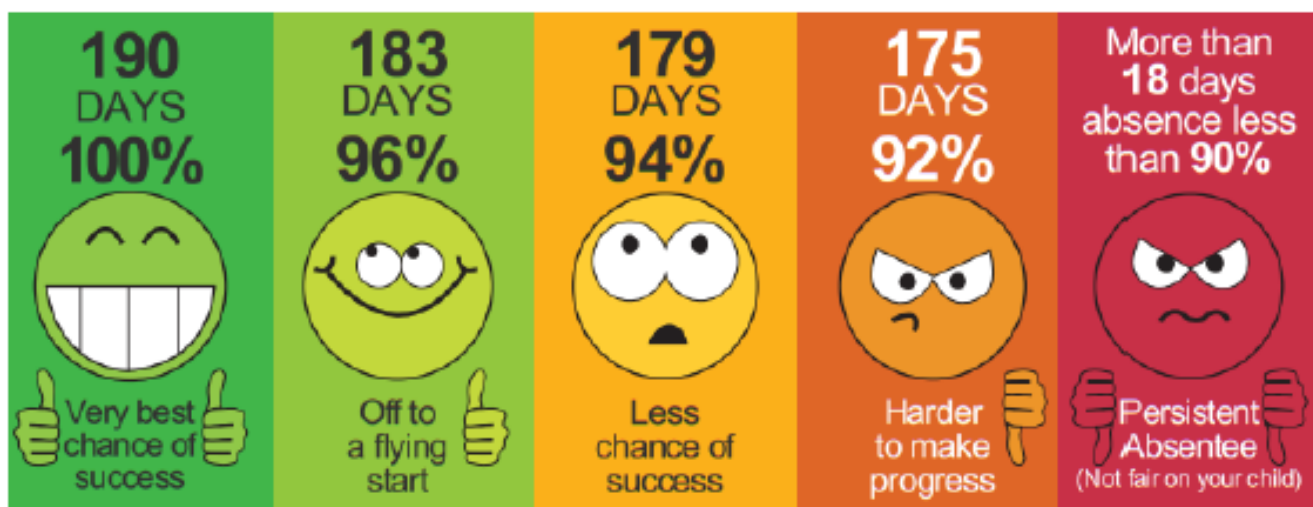
**A love of reading is the biggest indicator of future academic success.**

OECD (The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development)



# Attendance

There are **190** days in a school year which leaves **175** days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.



# Break Time Milk

If your child is 5 or above, you have the option to pay for their milk. Our school milk supplier, Cool Milk, can supply milk at a subsidised price of around £16 per term. Please visit [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) and select "Register your child for milk here" and follow the on-screen instructions to register and pay. If your child is over 5 and entitled to benefit-based free school meals, school will fund the cost of their milk on your behalf. Please contact Mrs Fowler in the school office if you think you may be eligible.

# Snow Days at School



We all woke up to the wonderful surprise of crisp, white snow this morning. Our children came prepared for the weather in warm coats and wellies, and have enjoyed magical break times on the field building snowmen and enjoying all the fun which comes with a snowy day. Lots of memories made today!



# Y4 Multiplication Check

Next Thursday, Mrs Hughes (our maths lead) and the Y3/4 team will be hosting an important meeting for families of Y4 pupils about the upcoming Multiplication Check your child will sit in the summer term. There will be useful dates shared and ways you can support your child both at home and in school.

## School Calendar (this half term)

Event	Class/Phase	Venue	Date(s)/Time(s)
Reception - Year 5 Parent/Carer Evening Bookings Open	Reception – Year 5	-	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 4:00pm <i>Bookings close Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 8:00pm</i>
PTA Family Quiz	Parents and Carers	Applegarth Primary School	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 7:00pm – 9:30pm (approx)
Strike Action	TBC	Applegarth Primary School	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March & Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March
Multiplication Check Meeting	Year 4 Families	Applegarth Primary School	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March 5:00pm – 5:30pm
Comic Relief: Red Nose Day (wear something red or non-uniform & voluntary donations)	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March
Carlton Lodge Family Meeting	Year 5	Applegarth Primary School	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 5:00pm – 5:45pm (Provisional)
Reception – Year 5 Parent/Carer Evenings	Reception – Year 5	Applegarth Primary School (in person)	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 3:30pm – 5:00pm (in person) 5:15pm – 6:00pm (online)  Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 3:30pm – 5:00pm (in person) 5:15pm – 6:00pm (online)
Easter Bunny Run (PTA)	Whole School PE Kits to be worn	Applegarth Primary School	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March
Easter Performance	Key Stage Two	All Saints Church	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 5:00pm – 6:00pm
British Science Week	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March Dress up as a job related to science on Friday

## School Calendar (long term)

Easter Holidays	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April - Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> April
-----------------	--------------	---------------------------	--

# School Calendar (long term continued)

Event	Class/Phase	Venue	Date(s)/Time(s)
Professional Development Training Day	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April
Key Stage One SATs	Year 2	Applegarth Primary School	Throughout May <b>DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS</b>
May Bank Holidays	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May and Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May
Key Stage Two SATs Week	Year 6	Applegarth Primary School	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May <b>DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS</b>
Carlton Lodge Residential	Year 5	Carlton Lodge, Carlton Miniott	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May and Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May
Coronation Disco (PTA)	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May Reception, and Key Stage One 5:00pm – 6:00pm Key Stage Two 6:15pm – 7:15pm
Half Term	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
Robinwood	Year 6	Robinwood, Alston	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June
Phonics Screening Check	Year 1	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June <b>DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS</b>
Multiplication Tables Check	Year 4	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June <b>DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS</b>
Reception and Key Stage One Sports Day	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	Applegarth Primary School	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 9:30am – 12:00pm
Armed Forces Day	Service Pupils	Catterick Garrison, Ypres Lines	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June
Key Stage Two Sports Day	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	Applegarth Primary School	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 9:30am – 11:30am

# School Calendar (long term continued)

Event	Class/Phase	Venue	Date(s)/Time(s)
Summer Fair (PTA)	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 3:15pm – 5:00pm
Year 6 Leavers Performance	Whole School and Families	Applegarth Primary School	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Break up for Summer Holidays	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July
Halloween Disco (PTA)	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October R and Key Stage One 5:00pm – 6:00pm Key Stage Two 6:15pm – 7:15pm
Christmas Carols	Key Stage Two	All Saints Church	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December T 5:00pm – 6:00pm
Christmas Fair	Whole School	Applegarth Primary School	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 3:15pm – 5:00pm
Key Stage One Nativity	Key Stage One	Applegarth Primary School	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 6:00pm – 7:00pm Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 10:00am – 11:00am
Reception Nativity	Reception	Methodist Church	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 10:00am – 11:00am

## Our Safeguarding Team

At school we have five members of staff and a governor who make up our Safeguarding Leadership Team. Mr Peoples is our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL); he is the lead person responsible for child protection and safeguarding issues. Mrs Hopkin, Mr Edwards and Mrs Crossley are our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (Deputy DSLs); a deputy DSL supports the DSL in their role safeguarding and child protection. Mrs Jo Burnside is our Safeguarding Link Governor. The role of the Safeguarding Governor is to support the DSL as well as regularly review, ask questions and make suggestions about our safeguarding policies and procedures and to report back to the governing body.

**All staff at Applegarth know that safeguarding is EVERYONE'S responsibility. Find out more on our [Safeguarding Page](#).**

For information about **Online Safety**, visit our dedicated [webpage](#).

You can also report any concerns you have to our [recently-changed welfare email: dsl@applegarth.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:dsl@applegarth.n-yorks.sch.uk)

# READY FOR THE BEST DAY EVER?



## What

Red Nose Day  
Wear something red or non-uniform

## When

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March

## Where

Applegarth  
Primary School



**SCAN HERE  
TO MAKE A  
DONATION**

Stick your  
JustGiving QR  
code here to  
make collecting  
donations super  
simple.

Get more posters at [comicrelief.com/tools](https://comicrelief.com/tools)

Red Nose Day is an initiative of Comic Relief, operating name of Charity Projects, registered charity in England & Wales (326568) and Scotland (SC039730) and company limited by guarantee registered in England & Wales (01806414), registered address 89 Albert Embankment, London, SE1 7TP. MR MEN™ LITTLE MISS™ © 2022 THOIP (a SANRIO Company). All rights reserved. Photo credits: Jake Turney RND23\_008



FRIDAY 17 MARCH

# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about iPADS

Apple debuted the first iPad in 2010, kickstarting the tablet market, and it remains the best-selling tablet to this day. Although Apple doesn't offer a child-specific version, iPads are hugely popular with youngsters due to their ease of use and endless choice of apps. There's a selection of models, with different-sized screens and distinct features

– Including the standard iPad; the iPad Air; the iPad Pro; and the iPad mini. Thankfully, they all offer parental controls so you can regulate how your child uses the device ... and how long they spend on it.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### PHYSICAL DAMAGE

While some tablets (such as the Amazon Fire Kids editions) come with rugged shock-proof cases, iPads aren't built for rough and tumble. They're also more expensive than most other tablets, and any damage your child's iPad suffers could be costly to repair. Buying a child-friendly case and screen protector for the device could be a wise move, especially if it's being used by younger ones.

### SCREEN ADDICTION

Like most digital devices, tablets have the potential to become quite addictive. You might find your child spending too long staring at their iPad, which could lead to irritability, mood swings and a loss of interest in more important tasks. If this happens, be sure to visit the built-in screen time settings and ensure you limit how long they're able to spend on the device each day.

### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

18  
CENSORED

Even if it would never occur to your child to go searching online for age-inappropriate sites, apps or information, there's always a possibility that something unexpected – perhaps a video that auto-plays or content incorrectly suggested by an algorithm – could appear on their tablet and upset them. You can help prevent this by adjusting the content settings (see our 'top tips' section below).

### SIRI SUGGESTIONS

The parental controls built into iOS (the fundamental operating system of Apple devices) enable you to block access to most age-inappropriate content – but your child could potentially still bypass these restrictions (either accidentally or deliberately) by using Siri, Apple's voice-activated digital assistant. To avoid this, toggle the 'Ask Siri' functions to 'off' in the iPad's settings menu.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### ENABLE FAMILY SHARING

Before letting little ones loose on an iPad, it's a good idea to set up Family Sharing, as this lets you utilise the parental controls to manage exactly how your child is able use the device. You can do this fairly easily by going into the iPad's settings; once there, you'll be able to add an existing Apple account (if your child already has one) or set one up from scratch.

### APPLY SOME LIMITS

The 'Downtime' function allows you to tell the iPad to lock itself at certain periods (at mealtimes or before bed, for instance), while 'App Limits' removes access to certain apps once they've been used for a specified length of time each day. The iPad can display a reminder when these limits have nearly been reached, letting your child mentally prepare for the end of their gaming or viewing time.

### STOP ACCIDENTAL SPENDING

To empower your child with an increased sense of freedom on their device (without giving yourself something else to worry about in the process) you could enable the iPad's 'Ask to Buy' feature. Whenever your child tries to download or buy an app, game or product, the iPad sends you a request to approve (or deny) it. This option only becomes available if you've set up Family Sharing.

### SET CONTENT AND PRIVACY RESTRICTIONS

The parental controls can stop the iPad from displaying explicit or age-inappropriate content (in apps like iTunes and Safari, for instance) when your child is signed into their account. You'll also be able to restrict the capacity to download and install apps, and you can specify permissions which prevent children from changing the iPad's privacy settings once you've selected them.

### TRACK IT DOWN

Just like the iPhone, Apple's iPads have 'Find My' software to help you locate your child's iPad – or indeed, any linked Apple devices that have gone AWOL, including phones, watches and AirPods. If you enable 'Find My' in the settings menu, it will display the last known location of an iPad that's been mislaid, as well as giving you the option to lock a missing iPad that you suspect has been stolen.

## Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced technology journalist with a track record of more than 10 years in the industry. Previously the editor of tech tabloid *The Inquirer*, Carly is now a freelance technology journalist, editor and consultant.



National  
Online  
Safety

#WakeUpWednesday



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

# FORTNITE

CHAPTER  
**3**

AGE RATING  
PEGI  
**12**

First released in 2017, Fortnite has become one of the most popular games in the world. It currently has around 350 million registered players. Developed by Epic Games, it began life exclusively as a 'battle royale' contest, where up to 100 online player characters would fight – with weaponry including rifles, handguns and rocket launchers – to be the last one standing. Today, it features multiple modes which each offer something different (although some modes, such as 'Save the World', are only available on certain platforms).

## IN-APP PURCHASES

Not all of Fortnite is free. Save the World mode, for example, can become quite costly. An in-game currency called V-Bucks is used to buy items such as cosmetics, which are not a necessity to play the game. It can feel like buying them is essential, however – even for adult players. Making sure no payment methods are linked to the game's store is a good idea when children are playing Fortnite.

## REPEAT SUBSCRIPTIONS

Fortnite now offers a monthly repeat subscription which costs £9.99 (or equivalent). This package offers different non-essential benefits every month – including fancy cosmetics, rare weapons, V-Bucks and special bonuses. Signing up, therefore, can be tempting for dedicated players. However, subscriptions cannot be paid for with V-Bucks earned in the game, only with real-world money.

## COMPETITIVE COMMUNITY

Fortnite isn't purely a competitive experience (some modes prioritise cooperation), but the rivalry aspect remains central. Battle Royale is an especially ruthless mode, where the last player or squad left standing wins. Games can become heated, and players' desire to win can often cause excessively aggressive or "toxic" behaviour towards others – via the game's audio chat, for instance.

## POSSIBILITY OF SCAMS

Popular games like Fortnite are often targeted by unscrupulous individuals trying to trick or exploit genuine fans. In Fortnite, scammers have been known to offer children free V-Bucks or vast amounts of V-Bucks in exchange for rare items – often asking the player to click a particular link. These scammers are seeking access to your child's account, personal information and payment details.

## USER-CONTROLLED CONTENT

Some elements of online video games can't be rated for age appropriateness because the developer doesn't have control over them. In Fortnite, for instance, things like voice or text chat, usernames, trades and other player-generated content may not always be suitable for children. It also means that the makers aren't liable for anything a stranger might say to young Fortnite players online.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### STAY AWARE OF SPENDING

Free-to-play games (that is, ones without up-front costs) can still be big financial drains. In Fortnite, for example, the Battle Pass – a set of rewards to improve players' experience in the game – can be either earned through playing or bought with real money (with additional incentives for the latter). With supervision however, this can be a great lesson in money management for children.

### TALK ABOUT TALKING

Communication is key in the squad-based Fortnite modes, and children will quickly realise that talking with team-mates online helps to increase their win rate. It's a good idea, therefore, to chat with your child first about speaking to strangers online, trading, scammers and other potential risks. Remind them that they can always come to you for help if they run into problems online.

### ENCOURAGE BREAKS

Gaming sessions can reach marathon lengths, especially when your child is on a winning streak and doesn't want to stop. Sitting in the same position for hours, of course, isn't healthy but it's an easy habit to form. Encouraging young ones to break regularly for drinks and so on will help them stay hydrated, rest their eyes and release some of the tension from competitive gameplay.

### DISCUSS OTHER APPS

Games like Fortnite can lead on to third-party apps (Discord, for example) where players can join a voice, text or – in some cases – video chat about the game. Certain add-ons also let children talk with other players from their local area, which clearly presents a potential risk. When discussing Fortnite with your child, you might also want to ask them about other apps they use while playing.

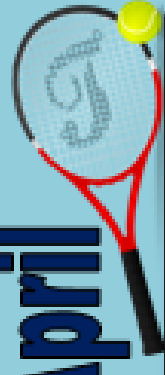
### Meet Our Expert

Clare Godwin (a.k.a. Lunawolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2015, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of Lunawolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.



National  
Online  
Safety®  
#WakeUpWednesday

# EASTER TENNIS 3rd-14th April



With Adam Scaife - LTA Accredited+ Coach

## MONDAYS TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

### @ Aine



### 3rd & 10th

#### TOTS

9am-10.30 - 3-5yrs

**RED BALL**

10.30am-12.30 - 6-10yrs

**ORANGE/GREEN**

13.30pm-16.30 - 8-14yrs

### 11th

#### TOTS

9am-10.30 - 3-5yrs

**RED BALL**

10.30am-12.30 - 6-9yrs

**ORANGE/GREEN**

13.30pm-16.30 - 8-13yrs

### 12th

#### TOTS

9am-10.30 - 3-5yrs

**RED BALL**

10.30am-12.30 - 6-9yrs

**FULL BALL**

13.30pm-16.30 - 12+yrs



## Book your place

Message/Call Adam

**07876458168**

Email

Adam\_scaife91@hotmail.com

Social Media

@LTAMiniTennisThirsk

**Book one or multiple sessions**

## Costs

Tots (90 minutes) - £9.90

Red Ball (2 hrs) - £13.90

Orange/Green/Full Ball (3 hrs) - £19

## TUESDAY + THURSDAY

### @ KNAYTON

## FRIDAY

### @ COXWOLD

### 4th & 13th

#### TOTS

9-10.30 - 3-5yrs

**RED BALL**

10.30-12.30 - 6-9yrs

**ORANGE/GREEN**

13.30-16.30 - 8-14yrs

### 14th

#### TOTS

9-10.30 - 3-5yrs

**RED BALL**

10.30-12.30 - 6-9yrs

**ORANGE/GREEN**

13.30-16.30 - 9-15yrs

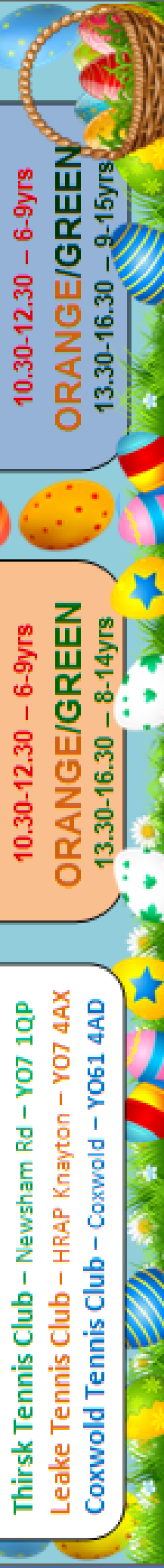
## Locations

Alne Tennis Club - Back Lane - YO61 1TU

Thirsk Tennis Club - Newsham Rd - YO7 1QP

Leake Tennis Club - HRAP Knayton - YO7 4AX

Coxwold Tennis Club - Coxwold - YO61 4AD



A large dandelion illustration on the left side of the purple banner, with several smaller dandelion heads floating in the air above it.

# MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

April 2023

A circular logo with a blue and red border. Inside the circle is a dandelion illustration and the text "Service Children's Champion".

Service  
Children's  
Champion

Information regarding our  
new photo challenge  
*Welcome to Our World*

**1**



Share our introductory video  
with your child and discuss  
theme - *Welcome to Our World*



**parentcarer**voice  
NORTH YORKSHIRE  
WORKING TOGETHER FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

We are the recognised Parent Carer Forum for North Yorkshire, supporting families with children and young people (0-25 years old) with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND).

We now have a team of **Parent Participation Officers** (PPOs) working in localities across the region.

### **What is a Parent Participation Officer?**

A person with lived experience of being a SEND Parent/Carer, working with local SEND parents and community organisations to understand and share collective needs and challenges.

Together with PPO colleagues across North Yorkshire, we ensure that lived experiences and voices are represented in decision making, service design and process improvement for SEND, Health and Social Care in our county.

**Turn over to find out more...**

## What else does a Parent Participation Officer do?

- Signpost to local services and organisations
- Provide a listening ear
- Connect Parent/Carers together
- Organise and facilitate local events and training
- Provide feedback to local authorities
- Ensure a collective voice for positive change

We don't undertake individual case work, but we can direct you to other services which may be able to help.

## Meet your local Parent Participation Officer

Area:

PPO:

Contact details:



**parentcarer voice**

WORKING TOGETHER FOR POSITIVE CHANGE



**parentcarervoice**  
NORTH YORKSHIRE  
WORKING TOGETHER FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

We are the recognised Parent Carer Forum for North Yorkshire, supporting families with children and young people (0-25 years old) with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND). Our vision is to inform, empower and represent the collective voice of families with SEND in the region.

## Upcoming Event - Northallerton

Come and meet other parents and carers and warm up with a hot drink and brunch.

It's **free** and open to all SEND parents and carers of a young person (0-25), whether they have a diagnosis or not.



The brunch is a friendly and informal opportunity to:

- Meet **Su Dixon**, our new Parent Participation Officer for the Hambleton District
- Find out more about Parent Carer Voice and how we work
- Share your views and experiences about local SEND services and support
- Connect with other SEND parents, carers and professionals in your area and find out what community support and activities are around

**When:** Monday 27th March 2023, 0915 -1100 am

**Where:** The Buck Inn - JD Weatherspoon, 237-238 High Street, Northallerton, DL7 8LU

To reserve your place or for more information, please email Su:  
**[ppohambleton.pcv@gmail.com](mailto:ppohambleton.pcv@gmail.com)**