

Friarage News!



Friday 27th March 2026

Term Dates

Easter Holidays

30/3-10/04/2026 Easter break
13/04/2026 school reopens

Bank Holiday

04/05/2026 May Day

Half term

25-29/05/2026 half term
02/06/2026 school reopens

Training day

01/06/2026 school closed

Summer Holidays

17/07/2026 school closes for summer

Useful Info

Remember to scroll all the way through the newsletter to see useful information, events and more!

Message from the Head

Dear Parent/Carers

Well, what a fabulous final week of Spring term it has been at Friarage!

On Monday, we held our 'Special Clothes' Day, and it was truly wonderful to see all the children wearing items that are meaningful to them. We were especially delighted to see so many children choosing to come dressed in clothing that represents their cultures and nationalities. They all looked absolutely amazing, and it was a joy to celebrate the diversity within our school community together.

Well done to all those who took part in the EYFS and KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade. What fabulous creations you helped your children to make! It was incredibly difficult to choose the winners.

Finally, I hope you all have an 'Eggsellent' Easter break, and I look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday 13th April. Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes

Mrs Cappleman



Nursery

Green team

We've had lots of fun celebrating Easter in Nursery! The children enjoyed creating colourful Easter eggs, making special Easter Bunny food, and taking part in exciting egg and spoon races. A highlight of the week was our wonderful Easter Bonnet Parade, where everyone proudly showed off their fantastic creations.

In Art, we have been using our leftover sunflower seeds to create beautiful collages. The children were also very excited to take their sunflowers home, please do take photos if they begin to grow over the holidays, we'd love to see them!



Reception

Blue team

What a wonderful week we have had in Reception! It was fantastic to see everyone celebrating their cultures on Monday by wearing their special clothes. We are so proud to be part of such a diverse community at Friarage. In our construction area, the children have also been busy creating a variety of places of worship, showing great creativity and curiosity.

This week, we have been learning about how and why Christians celebrate Easter. The children have loved taking part in different traditions, including egg painting, egg rolling, an egg hunt, and of course our annual Easter Bonnet Parade.

In our writing lessons, we have been focusing on instructions, with the children writing about how to plant a bean. They have been using lots of new vocabulary linked to growing plants in our Garden Centre role play area outside. We are excited to continue developing this area after the holidays and hope to see lots of growth in our beans and other plants. The children will be bringing their beans home, and we would love to see how they get on, please do send in photos if they begin to grow!



Key Stage 1

Team Haigh

The last week of the Easter term has been busy and exciting.

We started the week tasting ingredients and making our Mexican salsa and guacamole. The children listened carefully to instructions and made some tasty treats from Mexico.

We ended the week in true Friarage style with our Easter Bonnet parade. The children were very excited to show off their creations and take part in our Easter celebration. Every child received a chocolate treat for taking part and the winners a chocolate egg.

See you in April for the start of our Summer term.



Team Conner & Lowery

What a wonderful half term we have had! The children have been extremely busy over the past few weeks. They have all tried hard to improve the presentation within their books and we are very proud of them. We have enjoyed learning all about Mexico, our virtual flight was a highlight!

The children have been practising their printing skills and have made some beautiful bunting, which is now hanging in the classroom.

In DT, the children have tasted some Mexican food and have made their own salsa and guacamole.

We also enjoyed our Easter bonnet parade. Everybody looked wonderful and the singing was fabulous!

We wish you all a wonderful Easter break and will look forward to welcoming the children back after a well deserved rest.



Team Kelly

In R.E this week, the children have enjoyed learning about Ramadan and how muslims show their commitment to their faith.

In History, we continued to learn about the Trojan War and had an excellent discussion about whether we thought it really happened or if it is a myth.

In writing, we celebrated Shakespeare week by writing instructions on how to make a Love Potion, after watching parts of an animated version of Romeo and Juliet. Lots of children have had their books on our 'proud table' this week, ready to show off their neatly presented work!

Have a lovely Easter break everybody, looking forward to seeing you in Summer term!



Team Newens

In Reading, we have been finishing our Edward Tulaine text. We have thought about the different characters we have met and their different personalities. Using this we made a seating chart for a dinner party and explained our choices.

In Maths, we have been converting between the 12 and 24 hour clock. We have continued to work on reading the time using analogue and digital clocks. We have used this to work out the duration of events using the start and finish time.

In Art, we have taken inspiration from ancient Greek artwork for our final designs. We have made our final prints in black and orange taking our inspiration from Greek pottery.



Team Stevens

What a busy final week we have had this half term!

In History, we've been learning about the legacy the Ancient Greeks left behind- did you know they invented chewing gum and the yoyo? We also took part in a Socratic debate, discussing the impact the civilisation has had on the modern world.

It's Shakespeare Week in Writing and we've been writing a set of instructions to make a love potion. We have been thinking carefully about the ingredients we would add and how to combine them correctly to make sure the potion worked.

In Maths, we've finished learning about money and have spent time looking at how to answer real-life problems to manage money effectively.



Year 5 & 6

Team Robinson & Tymon

Another week complete in Y5. We have been working extremely hard on our presentation in books, several children have earned 10 DOJO points for neatly presented work. Well done!

It's been Shakespeare week and we have been exploring Macbeth! We've enjoyed writing a news report about the three witches! We have also very nearly finished Street Child, we have just finished chapter 26 in which we said goodbye to Shrimps.

In Science and DT, we have been exploring electrical circuits. The children have become skilled at problem solving and improving the functionality of their circuits.

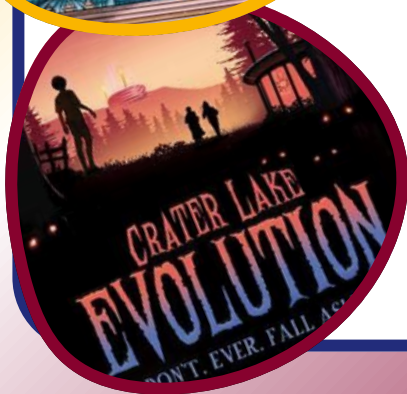


Another fantastic week to end this half term!

In PSHE we have been looking at how to manage stress. We had lots of ideas, including: talking, reading, drawing, playing games, listening to music, using fidgets, cuddling pets and baking.

We also welcomed two new books to our class library this week, which were chosen within minutes to be read! We are looking forward to sharing Crater Lake 2 (the sequel to our Autumn class novel!) and Safiyyah's War.

Have a wonderful Easter break and we will see you back at school in two weeks.



Team Wendon

Team Copeland

We have been thinking about our mental health in PSHE this week. Focusing on what can be helpful to our well being and what causes cracks to appear. In the build up to SATs and thinking about secondary school it is important to take time to enjoy playing with friends, family days out, listening to music, drawing, gaming, reading and all the other things that brings balance. Remember, Childline are always there if you need someone to talk to.

You are all doing brilliantly, working hard in school and we are really proud of you! Have a fabulous Easter holidays, there will be work set on SATS companion for you to keep things ticking over!



YOUR SENDCO



Miss Tymon

Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities

North Yorkshire and York

Nothing About Us Without Us

Children and Young People's Mental Health Advisory Group



Easter Event

Friday 10th April 2026, 12:30am-3:30pm

SPARK:York, SHOW Space, 17-21 Piccadilly, York YO1 9PB

For young people (aged 25 and under), supporting workers, and senior leaders

Lunch provided

Help with young people's travel costs

Scan here to book your place by Fri 3rd April



Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership

For more info email Be.Heard@nhs.net



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Mrs Wardle
Attendance Officer

ATTENDANCE

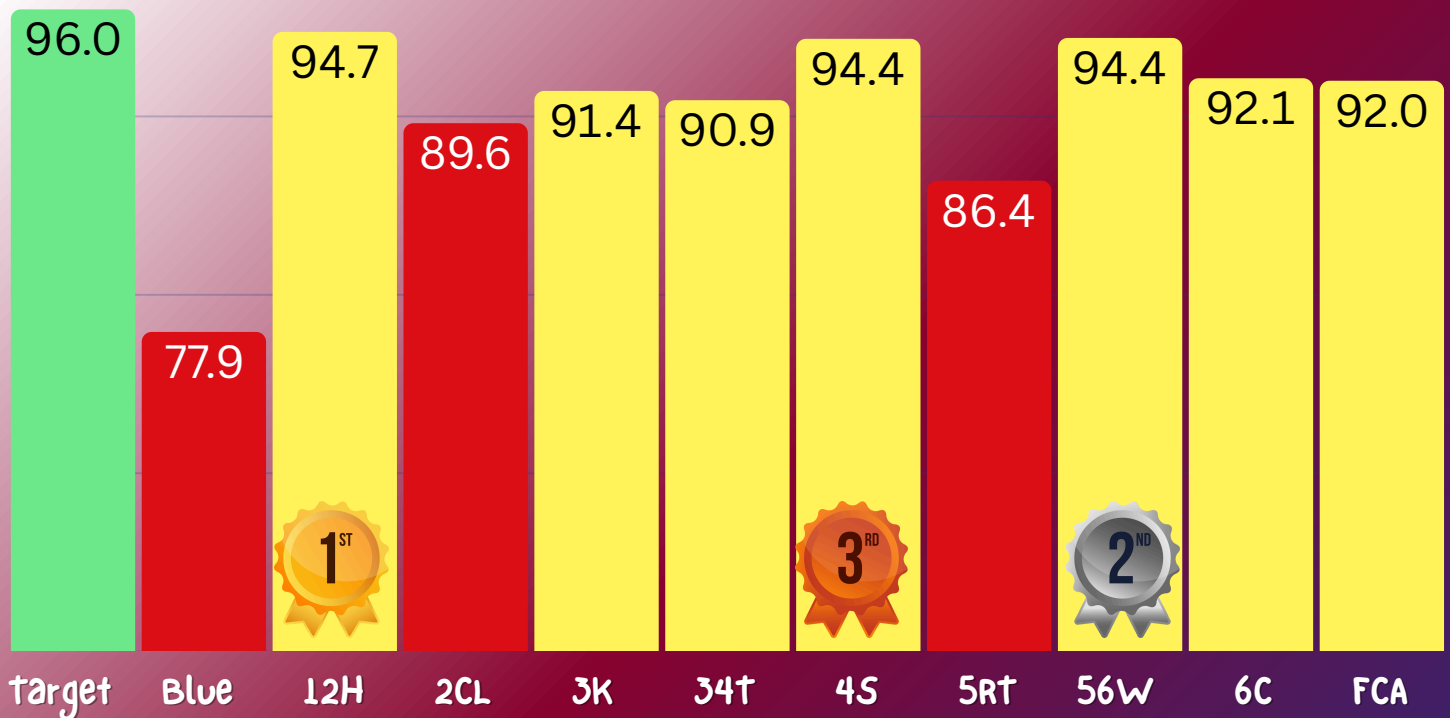
Well done to the
172 children
who attended
EVERY DAY



they will be coming home with a creme egg!



Weekly Class Attendance

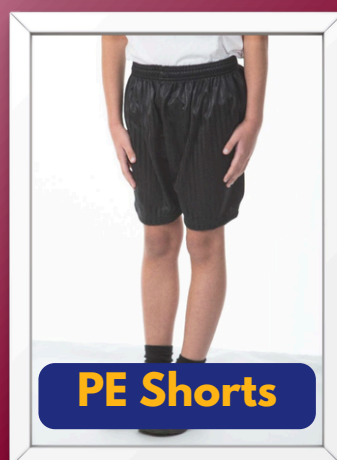


Team Conner & Lowery's topping the Attendance league this week!





NEW UNIFORM!



All uniform available to order from SPT Uniforms,
with free delivery to school!

www.sptuniforms.co.uk



NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE

**WE HAVE FUNDED PLACES
AVAILABLE FOR 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS**

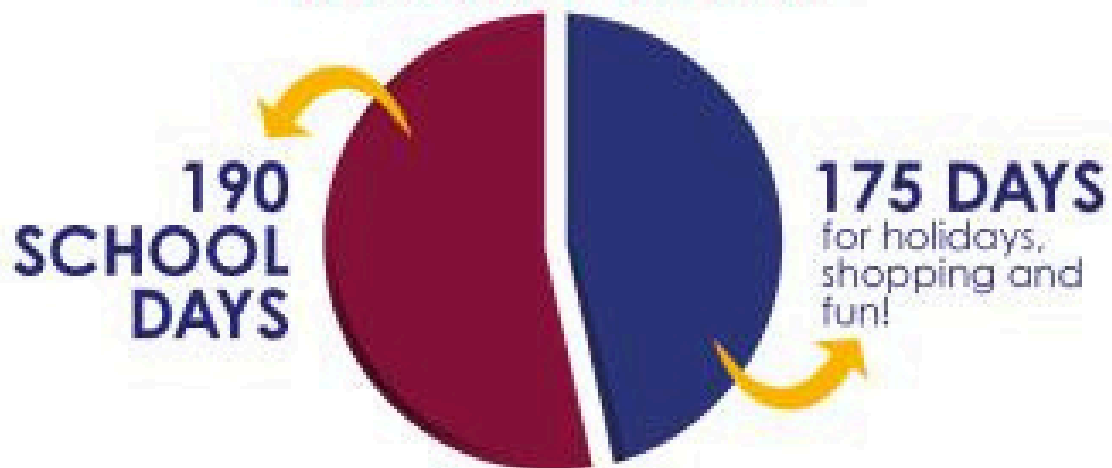
**All 3 year olds are eligible for 15 hours
(and some for 30 hours)**

**For more information or to arrange a visit
please contact us on 01723 374244**

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Attending school every day and being on time gives the **BEST CHANCE OF SUCCESS**

IN ONE YEAR



MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS



When possible, book them outside of school hours.

ILLNESS



Unless it's serious, bring your child to school and we will keep an eye on them throughout the day.

FAMILY HOLIDAYS



There are 175 days a year when students aren't in school.

95% ATTENDANCE

- 10 days absence
- 50 lessons lost (when 5 lessons a day).

90% ATTENDANCE

OR LESS has a serious impact on education and reduces life chances.

BEING LATE 5

MINUTES EACH DAY over a year, adds up to 3 days lost.

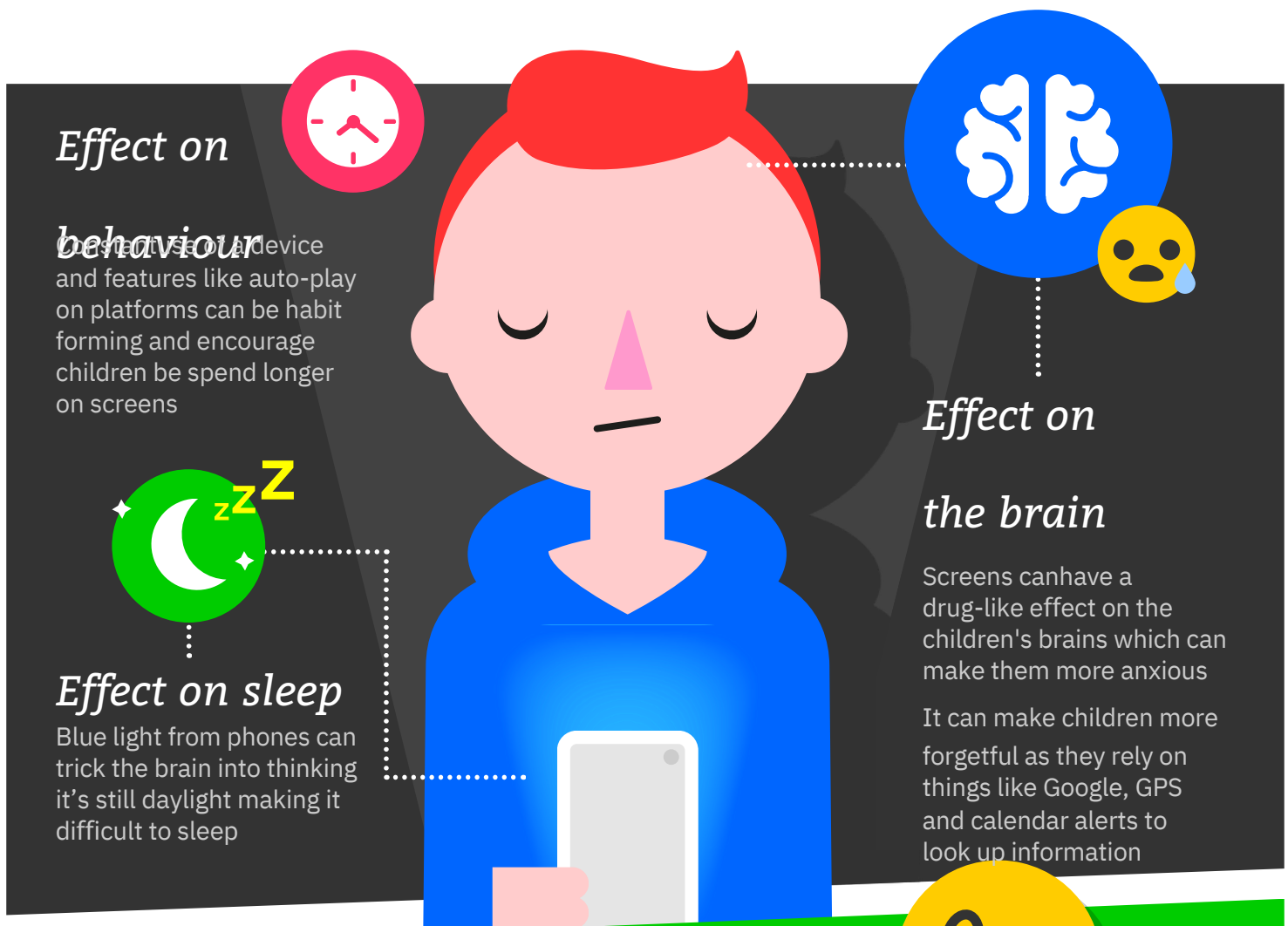


Attendance and Punctuality



Guide to managing children's screen time

internet
matters.org



Effect on behaviour

Overuse of a device and features like auto-play on platforms can be habit forming and encourage children to spend longer on screens

Effect on the brain

Screens can have a drug-like effect on the children's brains which can make them more anxious

It can make children more forgetful as they rely on things like Google, GPS and calendar alerts to look up information

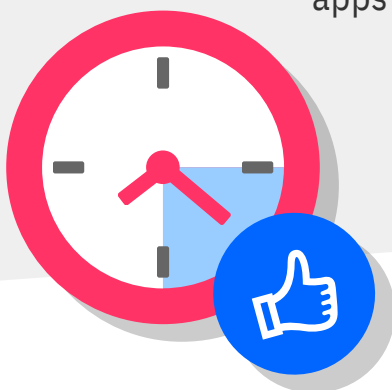
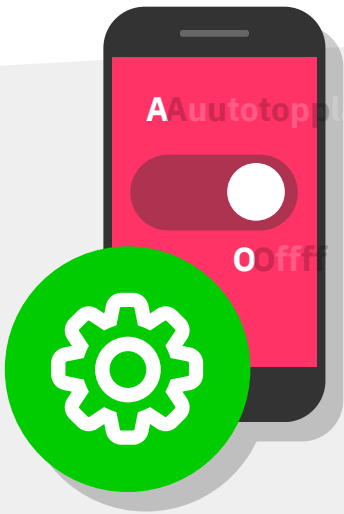
Effect on sleep

Blue light from phones can trick the brain into thinking it's still daylight making it difficult to sleep

What are the benefits?

- Gives children access to a **wealth of information** to build their knowledge
- Technology **takes away physical barriers** to social connections to make children less isolated
- Exposure to tech has proven to **improve children's learning** and development
- Online games and activities **enhance teamwork and creativity**

10 tips to get in control with your child's screen time



1. Set a good example with your own device use
2. Have discussions about the risks that they may face based on their online activities
3. Put in place a family agreement and agree an appropriate length of time they can use their device
4. Help them build critical thinking to understand that some features on platforms are design to keep you watching or playing
5. Encourage them to switch off auto-play on platform to remove the temptation to binge on programmes
6. Use tech tools and parental control to manage the time they spend online and the apps they use
7. Get the **whole family to unplug** and create 'screen free' zones at home
8. Together find apps, site and games that will help children explore their passions and make screen time active
9. For younger children find ways to combine touch screen use with creative and active play
10. Encourage children to self-regulate the time they spend online and the activity they do to ensure they are having a positive impact on their wellbeing



Cyberspace – Stuff to know



1

Keep your **personal information** and **profile** private!

2

Only add friends **you know in real life.**



3

Share your profile and photos only with **close friends and family**



4

Avoid sharing your **location** or the school or clubs you go to.



5

Never **meet up alone** with anyone you met and only know online.



6

If someone hacks your account or makes a page in your name, **report it to the site.**



7

Check you do not show any personal information like your school name, in photos and videos before you post.



8

Try not to share **all your plans** and say where you will be next.



9

Ignore rude comments posted on your profile, tell a trusted adult so they can keep a record, block and report.



10

Never post or share **nudes or sexually provocative photos.** If you have made a mistake or someone uses this to make threats, report it and get help from a parent, teacher or an adult you trust. The Police can trace abusive people.



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Free activities

for

children and young people
this school holiday.



**Packed with sport, art, fun
and food, there's something
for everyone**

Everyone in North Yorkshire can join in, with
FREE places for those from Reception to Year 11
who receive benefits-related free school meals.

Discover what's on offer at
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Scarborough Library & Active North Yorkshire



PRESENT

SIGNS OF SPRING



WALK, STORY & CRAFT

TUESDAY 31ST MARCH 10:30AM UNTIL 12:00NOON

Meet at the children's Library, walk to Crescent Gardens, take part in our 'springo' game, do some leaf and bark rubbings, then back to the library for a story and craft.

As always, there will be time for book choosing and borrowing!

NO BOOKING REQUIRED, HOWEVER, PLACES ARE LIMITED - PLEASE ARRIVE PROMPTLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT



Easter Half Term

Scarborough Library

All Days

Easter Trail

Solve the clues, work out the secretword - an Easter themed treasure hunt around the Children's Library

Monday 30th March 2:00pm

Easter Family Fun Crafts

Join North Yorkshire Adult Learning Services for some Easter craft fun. Bookings via their website

Tuesday 31st March 10:30am

Signs of Spring Walk

Meet at the children's Library, walk to Crescent Gardens, play 'springo', do some leaf rubbings, then back to the library for a story & craft.

Wednesday 1st April 10:30am & 2:30pm

We're Going on a Bear Hunt

Interactive story time & craft suitable for all ages

Thursday 2nd April 11:00am to 1:00pm

Easter Eggstravaganza Craft

Design & make your own egg cup. Bookings only via Eventbrite.

Tuesday 7th April 11:00am to 1:00pm

Easter Eggstravaganza Painting

Did you make your egg cup with us last week? Now they've dried, come & paint it.

Wednesday 8th April 10:30am & 2:30pm

Julia Donaldson Storytime

Back by popular demand! Julia Donaldson themed fun for all the family.



Thursday 9th April 10:30am to 2:00pm

Library Lego Fun

Join us for some school holiday Lego fun.



Unless indicated, no booking is necessary, but spaces will be limited on a first come, first served basis.



Weekly Activities For Under Fives*



Storytime

Mondays 10:30am–11:00am

Come and join us for stories,
rhymes, and crafts



Always
Fun
Always
Free

Rhymetime

Wednesdays 10:30am–11:00am

A session packed with your favourite
nursery rhymes

Sensory Storytime

Thursdays 10:30am–11:30am

Join us for sensory activities and play



Stay & Play

Fridays 1:00pm–3:00pm

Join us for Stay and Play, a great way for toddlers
to learn through play

SensoryStay & Play

First Friday of every month

1:00pm–3:00pm



*Term time only



FREE

SEND Free Play



**Bookings are
essential via
SEN-Active
Facebook page**

**Scarborough Library
alternating Saturdays at 10:30am**

**Children must be library members to take part but joining
the library is always easy and free!**

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NEW



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www.hdftchildrenshealthservice.co.uk

