



School Newsletter 571

Values – Care – Achievement

Thursday 13 November 2025

Headteacher's Introduction



Dear Parents and Carers,

Another very busy week with lots to celebrate. As a school, the manner in which we marked the 11 November was very special. To have the entire school and staffing body together and hold a moment of reflection and remembrance was very moving. The poem recital, the playing of the Last Post, the two minute silence, and a prayer gave us the opportunity to express our deep respect for those who have bravely fought.

This week also marks an important focus on Anti-Bullying Week. We have been undertaking numerous activities around school with an aim to develop awareness and to understand how being kind is the key. We are embarking on significant work this year to further promote the difference between being a bystander and an upstander. We are hopeful that through our partnership with the Dianne Trust, we can develop our own Anti-Bullying Leaders.

I am delighted to celebrate an exceptional achievement from our recent post-16 Open Evening. Over 550 people were treated to an opportunity to meet our staff and students, showcasing the excellence of our Sixth Form. I'm particularly proud to highlight that our results have placed us in the top 1% in the country for the last three years - a remarkable testament to the hard work and dedication of our students and staff.

Finally, I am thrilled to share some remarkable news that truly reflects the extraordinary achievements of our school. This week, we received an outstanding recognition that fills me with pride: The Yorkshire Times has ranked Archbishop Holgate's as the fourth highest secondary school in North Yorkshire and, even more significantly, the top comprehensive school in the region. This achievement is not just a number or a ranking—it is a testament to the collective effort, dedication, and commitment of everyone connected to AHS. Our students have demonstrated exceptional academic performance, showcasing the high standards we uphold and the supportive learning environment we have cultivated. This recognition would not have been possible without the unwavering support of our incredible staff, who work tirelessly to provide outstanding education and guidance. Our parents and carers have been instrumental in supporting their children's educational journey, and our alumni continue to inspire current students with their achievements and ongoing connection to the school. This ranking is a reflection of our shared commitment to excellence, our collaborative spirit, and our belief in the potential of every student who walks through our doors.

Link to [Yorkshire Times](https://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/education/north-yorkshire-15-top-performing-secondary-schools-2025-named-where-pupils-aced-gcses-5392885?page=1) article: <https://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/education/north-yorkshire-15-top-performing-secondary-schools-2025-named-where-pupils-aced-gcses-5392885?page=1>

Best Wishes for the week ahead

Lucie Pond
Headteacher

Anne Frank Exhibition

Year 7 students have been learning about Anne Frank's life from Year 8 and 9 students.

The RE department has been working with The Anne Frank Trust for many years now and last week we held our annual pop-up exhibition which involved Year 7 students learning about the devastating impact the Nazi regime had on the life of Anne, her family and wider Jewish community across Europe pre WW2 and during the war itself.

The exhibition aims to engage young people in the history of the Holocaust through the story of Anne Frank and her family. We had one of the best groups of Year 8 and 9 students acting as 'peer educators' (or exhibition guides) we've ever had according to their educator from The Anne Frank Trust - high praise indeed! These students shone in their roles and will be invited for a celebratory breakfast with Mrs Pond very soon! But it has to be said, Year 7 were also brilliant and asked some thought provoking questions, while listening respectfully too.



Food for Thought

Our Form Tutor collective worship this week is entitled "Remembrance and Peace". We will think about the first Armistice Day, and why Remembrance Day is an important thing to do, but also how we need to actively work for peace at all times. Our daily quotes are on the theme of Peace.

"They died for the future, for an ideal world that we could live in, an earth at peace. Now it is our turn to strive for peace on earth."

Michael Davis



PLEASE SHARE: If you would like to share students' achievements and events in the community, please email jsissons@ahs.pmat.academy. It's always nice to celebrate our school community.

AHS Feedback

We welcome all feedback and thank all parents for their valuable contributions. If you have a query or simply an observation about the school please complete the form online.



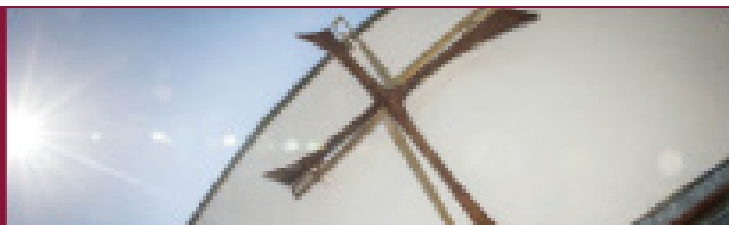
Social Media



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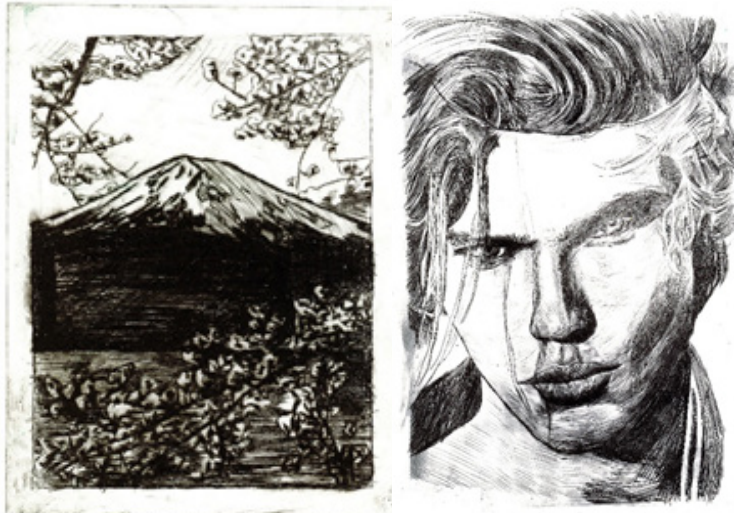


This Week's School News



Art - Work of the Week

Year 12 students have produced these beautifully detailed drypoint etchings. Well done to students Ka Nok Au, Yasmina Boudjema, Eda Ali and Joseph Coyle.



Careers Corner

Year 11 Taster Days

Tuesday 13 and Thursday 15 January 2026

Please make sure your Year 11 child is booked onto a York-wide Taster Day.



MFL Stars of the Week

Students were nominated by Language staff to receive an Effort merit, a postcard home and appear on the 'Stars Wall' for all their hard work:

KS3 French - Ella He, 9DRn
KS3 German - Edie Zhao, 8JLi
KS3 Spanish - Prisha Patel, 8MFr
KS4 French - Edward Watkins, 10Be
KS4 German - Vidya Bhattacharya, 11Ha
KS4 Spanish - Archie Clennan, 10BDu
KS5 German - James Dillon, 12BKl



Short Film Festival

The Aesthetica Short Film Festival was held in the City last week and Archbishop Holgate's took 66 young people from Year 9 and 10 to speak to Digital Media and Arts Companies that exist in York; this was a valuable opportunity for students to learn what jobs and skills development are involved in Digital Media and Arts in York and beyond.

Archbishop Holgate's students have also produced an excellent short film that premiered alongside other secondary schools' contributions. These premiered on Sunday at the Film Festival at City Screen Cinema in front of a packed auditorium who loved the film. Well done to everyone involved! Mr Webb

Upcoming Events

Wed 19 Nov	Y12 Form Tutor Evening
Wed 26 Nov	Y8 Parents' Evening
Wed 10 Dec	Y13 Parents' Evening
Thu 11 Dec	Minster Carol Service

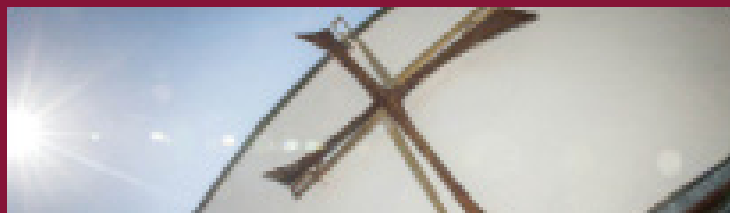
ROK Inspirational Kids

YIKs 3rd Inclusive Carol Concert takes place on Sunday 7 December 2025 at 1.45pm. Lots of our SEN children are taking part and it would be wonderful if you could join us. Tickets are FREE but please prebook them via <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/yorkinspirationalkids/cic/1846504>

It promises to be a great service.



This Week's Sixth Form News



Message from Mrs De Lashley, Assistant Head: Director of Sixth Form

Reminders

BTEC Mock week - wc 17 November

Year 12 Form Tutor Evening - Wednesday 19 November
(appointments to be made on School Cloud)

Year 12 Form Tutor Evening Wednesday 19 November

Appointments for this event go live on School Cloud on Monday 10 November, 6.00pm. Please make one appointment (with your son/daughter's Form Tutor). You will be invited for an appointment by the SENDCo or a member of the Sixth Form team if applicable. Reports issued on Friday 24 October will be used to guide appointments.

BTEC Mocks

	9.00am	11.30am
Mon 17 Nov	Y13 Child Dev - 2hr	Y13 Business (finance) - 2hr
Tue 18 Nov	Y13 H&SC - 1hr 30min Y12 H&SC - 1hr	Y13 UPS - 2hr Y12 Travel - 1hr 45min
Wed 19 Nov	Y13 Double Business 1hr 45min Y12 UPS 2hr	
Thu 20 Nov	Y13 Engineering - 3hr (9am-12pm)	Y13 Engineering - 3hr (1-3pm)
Fri 21 Nov	Y13 Engineering - 3hr (9am-12pm)	Y13 Engineering - 3hr (1-3pm) EXTRA TIME

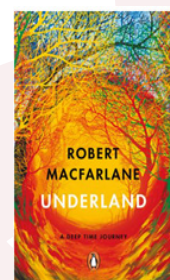
Book Recommendation

A reminder that each week we share a recommendation from the post-16 reading list that we hope our students will engage with. This reading list is one of many that can be found online but one that we think is broad, challenging and accessible. A copy of all of the listed books can be found in the Resource Centre.



Underland: A Deep Time Journey by Robert Macfarlane

In this unique work, Robert Macfarlane takes the reader on a series of descriptive journeys underground, to places remote and largely untouched. Caves, caverns, and a nuclear shelter are explored through immersive prose in a series of stories that force the reader to explore the relationship between man and earth. A great choice for students interested in natural history, geology and geography.



Admissions Consultation for 2027-28 Entry

In conjunction with the City of York Council, we are currently consulting on our admission arrangements for 2027-28. The consultation is running from 8 October to 21 November 2025 and includes the admissions policies and planned number of places (PAN) available at each school in York for entry in September 2027. For more information and to respond to the consultation, please see the admissions page on our website or [visit](https://www.york.gov.uk/AdmissionsConsultation):

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Fair Admissions Consultation 2027-28

In line with the City of York Council and York School and Academy Board's (YSAB) commitment to Fair School Admissions we have reviewed our admissions arrangements in line with the [Sutton Trust Fair School Admissions Pledge](#).

The Fair Admissions Consultation is open from Wednesday 15 October to Friday 28 November 2025.

Please click [here](#) to respond to the Fair Admissions Consultation.

Anti-Bullying Week

We've had a fantastic Anti-bullying week and students have begun to submit their 'Upstander' pledges that will be displayed around school.

Our themes throughout the week included:

- Acts of Collective Worship exploring how to become an upstander rather than a bystander
- Completing an Upstander Pledge to be displayed in school
- Volunteering to become an Anti-Bullying Ambassador
- Taking part in competitions, creating posters and hunting the SLT Anti-bullying logos. - #HowWillYouBeRemembered
- Wearing odd socks and shoes

We are pleased to say that our Odd Socks and Shoe Day raised a total of £565.39 for the Kidscape Anti-bullying charity.

Remembrance Day

On Tuesday 11 November, students gathered outside to observe two minutes' silence in remembrance of those who gave their lives in service to others. While it wasn't raining, the air was chilly yet you could have heard a pin drop. Our students stood together in complete silence and showed the utmost respect throughout the act of remembrance.

They were an absolute credit to our school community. Their maturity and reflection during this moment were deeply moving and we could not be prouder of the way they represented themselves and the values we stand for.

I am sure that those who made the ultimate sacrifice would have been proud to see such respect and unity from the next generation.



Food Bank - Items for Xmas

A reminder that food bank donations can be made 5 days a week during school opening hours. We would really appreciate any items that students could donate in the run up to Xmas.

Let's help our local community!



IT'S BACK!!!!

The live final of The Masked Singer will take place on Thursday 18 December, 4.30-6.00pm.

Tickets will go on sale at the beginning of December via ParentPay and cost £5. No physical ticket will be given, but students will be registered at the event.

All money raised will be used to begin the fundraising for Uganda 2027!



Head of Year Award Winners

Each week we are thrilled to celebrate students for outstanding achievements. This week we are celebrating the following HOY winners:

Year 7	
Jamesey Hooson	Building confidence in English
Lily Boulton	Fabulous Kindness in Geography

Year 8	
Victoria Matysiak	For great work in science
Libby Lancaster-Fuller	Being extremely kind and supporting another student who is struggling.

Year 9	
Lily Chapman	For a permanently positive outlook and a really enthusiastic approach to everything school!
Magnus Miller Hill	A superb effort in all of his history work and assessed skills. Well done.

Year 10	
Taha Kilic	Taha has been working so hard in English - his attitude, focus and effort with classwork has been exemplary! He has a real drive to do well and is setting a fantastic example for others in the group that success and striving for higher grades in English is something to aim for and be proud of. Real outstanding effort this week!
Della Collins	Della has made an outstanding start to German lessons in Year 10. She shows a positive work ethic, displays exemplary behaviour, kindly offers support to other pupils and completes her class work and homework to a high standard.

Year 11	
Theo Neary	Theo has demonstrated excellent top band recall of A Level language terms! Very well done.
Amelie Hetheron	Excellent class notes and contribution to lessons (Sport)

Year 12	
Avery Ellis	For an amazing contribution to the remembrance day.
Tilly Corps	Excellent work in Applied Law, well done!

Year 8 Headteacher's Breakfast

We thoroughly enjoyed welcoming Year 7 students around the Headteacher's Breakfast table last Friday. Look how happy everyone is to be there...



This week, we welcome Year 8. Let's have a close look at our winners and the reasons they have been awarded:

8Ay	Libby Lancaster-Fuller	Libby works really hard every day, and is a credit to our form group and the school. She is bright, personable and supportive of peers and friends. Libby gives up her time to help at the Merit mart at lunchtime, giving back to her school community.
8Cm	Felix Escombe	Well done for having the most positives in the whole Form for this point of year, for always doing the right thing, being polite to staff and students, and always volunteering to get involved. You are smashing it!
8CSt	Eden Gill-Soppelsa	Eden is a wonderful member of our form who is always kind and friendly. Eden is working so hard at school and is always supportive of her peers and friends, it's a delight to talk to Eden on a morning she always brightens my day.
8JEl	Zayed Zafar	Zayed continued to represent his form, year group, and school in sports fixtures and around the wider community. He is kind and patient and a good friend to so many other children.
8JLi	Anna Madgwick	Anna has shown fantastic conduct and determination every day so far this half term. She is a wonderful member of the form and is always kind and supportive to her peers. She has been a brilliant role model in all her lessons and is a credit to the form group. Well done Anna!
8JSE	Xavier Bahia	Xavier has consistently been getting things right in lessons and in form, being a true example to other students. He has had a really positive start to the year and embodied the school values in his attitude, mannerisms, and actions. Well done!
8KAn	Arthur Evans	Arthur has shown remarkable resilience and quiet determination, rising above challenges with dignity and a positive spirit. A commendable example and a valued member of form.
8MFr	Daniel Da Silva Pereira	Daniel is a wonderful member of the form who consistently works hard. He is always so polite and embodies our 4 school values every day.
8MGt	Effie Humpherson Clark	Effie is a compassionate member of the form group who is determined to succeed in all that she does. She was a huge help in the open evening and has been very committed to the football team in school.
8MPe	Aden Lai	Aden is such a positive, happy student who is first into form every day. He helps with the morning jobs and is such a credit to 8MPe. 100% deserving of this recognition. Well done and Thank you, Aden.
8MSt	Noah Park	Noah has worked incredibly hard this half term. He is living out the AHS school values and is a shining example to others. Noah is polite and always seeks out support to better himself. Well done - you are a much valued member of our form.

Pupil Voice

Our latest Pupil Voice survey has 1 week left to run and focuses on feedback from our Rewards and Recognition Acts of Collective Worship.

Please encourage your child to take part, pupil feedback plays a vital role in helping us continually improve and celebrate what's working well.

Pupils taking part will automatically be entered into a £50 voucher draw.



AHS Personal Development Hub and Merit Mart

At the Personal Development Hub, students are able to collect information about everyday life, extracurricular activities, trips and visits and careers. There will also be a number of opportunities for students to take part in 'Pupil Voice' to give feedback on a number of 'hot topics' based on the school community.

The Merit Mart is our students' happy place, where they can enquire about their merits and spend them on various items in the shop. Items include:

Stationary Key Rings Board Games
Books Water Bottles Vouchers

The opportunity to enter termly raffles

Students will be able to access the Personal Development Hub in line with the Merit Mart opening times, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 1.30-2.00pm.



A reminder of rewards and recognition available throughout the year within the table below:

Daily/Weekly	Half Termly	Termly	Yearly
House Merits (ALL Staff)	Subject Certificates	AHS Accolades	Reward and Recognition Mornings
HOY Award Nomination (ALL Staff)	Headteachers Breakfast	CEO Award	Sport Day
HOY Award (Year Teams)	House Competitions	Awarding of House Ties/Signature Tie	Announcing the House Winners and Presentation of the House Cup
Positive Messages / Phone Calls (ALL Staff)	Celebratory ACW and Award Distribution	Whole School Celebrations (Christmas, Easter and Summer)	
House Competitions		House Competitions	
		Whole School Celebrations	

Physical Education Department

"Equipping students with the knowledge, skills and motivation to live active, healthy lives."



Extra-curricular PE

Our new extra-curricular programme for this half term is out now. Remember that our clubs are a relaxed environment with a focus on participation and enjoyment and students don't have to be selected in teams if they don't wish to be involved. Students do not need to sign up to PE clubs, you need to show up on the day with the correct PE kit for the activity. Fixtures are also back on, if students would like to be a part of a team then make sure to attend training to be eligible for selection.

Duke Of Edinburgh Bronze Award

Mr Goldsmith was delighted with the amazing turn out at the Duke of Edinburgh meeting before half term. Please return the reply slips to him as soon as possible.



Trampolining Success

Last weekend, four AHS students took part in the Yorkshire Open Championships. They had tremendous success. Congratulations to Oliver Matthewson (2nd) and Felix Escombe (7th). Madison Salyga-Stokes & Isla Price competed in the U12 Elite category against a very strong field. Madison won Bronze, while Isla achieved Bronze in the Double Mini Trampoline event. They also entered the Open Synchro event for the first time, delivering brave and solid performances. Well done everyone, we're really proud of you.



PE KIT Reminders

Please can we remind students that everyone needs to have a school hoodie or reversible for their outdoor PE lessons. As the weather starts to turn cold, students need to be dressed appropriately for their lessons as we will be outside in all weather. Students will also need to ensure that they have shin pads, navy blue football socks and boots for their football and rugby lessons due to health and safety. All PE kit is available from Keal Teamwear on Walmgate or through the second-hand school UNIFORMD shop. Please see the school website for more details.



Boot Donation Scheme

We've re-joined the mission to help rehome at least one million pairs of football boots across the UK and stop them ending up in landfill. If you've got football boots at home that are no longer being used and taking up room – then help us to get them back out on the pitch and save them from ending up in landfill! The donation box is in reception, so give them a clean and pop them in the box. Thank you.



Football Success

We are extremely proud of Meyra Mehmed in Y11, who has been called up by the Bulgarian Football Union to join the Bulgaria U17 National Team for the UEFA European Qualification Tournament in Portugal, which takes place over the next few weeks. We wish Meyra the best of luck and are excited to hear about her success on her return.



Jewellery in PE Lessons

A reminder that students should not wear any jewellery during PE. In-line with AfPE guidance, we remind students (via lessons and the newsletter) that they will be asked to remove ALL jewellery for PE lessons. This is a health and safety precaution and must be adhered to for the safety of your child and their classmates. If your child has just had their piercing done, they need to bring a note to state when they had them done and when they can be removed (usually 6 weeks). Until then you should provide tape/plasters to fully cover the piercing in the short term, however, they may not be able to take part in certain activities until the piercing is fully removed due to health and safety. Please remember that, in line with the school policy, only a single pair of plain studs and a nose stud are allowed in school and all should be removed for PE. Any cartilage piercings have to be removed for PE, so please ensure that your child is able to remove it by themselves.



Inter House Cross Country Results 2025

Year 7 Girls		
House	Average	Position
Bootham	1756	1
Walmgate	1738	2
Monk	1686	3
Micklegate	1647	4

Year 7 Boys		
House	Average	Position
Walmgate	1944	1
Micklegate	1925	2
Monk	1856	3
Bootham	1824	4

Year 7 Girls			
Position	Full Name	House	Total
1	Colbourne-Eves, Amy	Monk	2300
2	Bevan, Betsy	Micklegate	2200
2	Godfrey, Nellie	Monk	2200
2	Haigh, Lucy	Micklegate	2200
2	Moreton, Bella	Micklegate	2200
2	Murray-Kydd, Lexie	Monk	2200

Year 7 Boys			
Position	Full Name	House	Total
1	Humphries, Jake	Bootham	2850
1	Ferguson, Lex	Micklegate	2800
3	Lewis, Rufus	Walmgate	2700

Year 8 Girls		
House	Average	Position
Walmgate	1758	1
Monk	1679	2
Bootham	1667	3
Micklegate	1650	4

Year 8 Boys		
House	Average	Position
Monk	1916	1
Micklegate	1891	2
Bootham	1855	3
Walmgate	1807	4

Year 8 Girls			
Position	Full Name	House	Total
1	Caley, Georgina	Walmgate	2750
2	Carter, Alice	Walmgate	2550
3	Williams, Sienna	Monk	2500
3	Templey, Hetty	Monk	2500
3	Prow, Jasmine	Walmgate	2500

Year 8 Boys			
Position	Full Name	House	Total
1	Vint, Heath	Bootham	3200
2	Kettle, Jacob	Monk	3050
2	Topliss, Elijah	Monk	3050

**Bootham
House Record**

Year 9 Girls		
House	Average	Position
Bootham	1721	1
Monk	1672	2
Micklegate	1663	3
Walmgate	1623	4

Year 9 Boys		
House	Average	Position
Monk	2081	1
Micklegate	2000	2
Walmgate	1991	3
Bootham	1984	4

Year 9 Girls			
Position	Full Name	House	Total
1	Dillon, Elsie	Monk	3500
2	Hendon, Ella	Micklegate	2950
3	Jaskolska, Lillie	Walmgate	2950

Year 9 Boys			
Position	Full Name	House	Total
1	Mingo, Will	Monk	3100
2	Berkley-Craze, Kai	Micklegate	2900
3	Kilkenny, Jasper	Bootham	2800
3	Ambler, Jake	Walmgate	2800

**SCHOOL Record &
MONK House Record**

EXTRA CURRICULAR PE CLUBS UP TO XMAS.

DAY	LUNCH	Venue	Time
MON			
TUE	Basketball 10 - 13 Boys (WHy & Gs)	Gym	1.30
WED	Netball Y11 & Sixth Form (HGa)	SH	1.30
THU	Pickleball Badminton (Trainers only) Exam Y11 & 12 (Gs & WHy)	Gym SH	1.30
FRI	Exam Catch Up Y10 - Y13 (Gs)	PE1/IT4	1.30

After School	Venue	Time
Badminton All Years (Be) Weeks 1, 2 & 7	SH	3.20 – 4.10
Basketball Girls All Years (EWr)	Gym	3.20 – 4.10 4.00 – 5.00
Primary Festivals	Various	
Netball Fixtures & Practice (HKy) (See notices/classcharts for dates)	SH	
Fitness Y9, 10 & Y11 (Sl)	Fitness Suite	3.20 – 4.10
Table Tennis Y7 & 8 (John)	Studio	
Meetings		
Fitness Girls Y10 & 11 (EWr)	Fitness Suite	
Basketball 7, 8 & 9 Boys (WHy & Gs)	SH	3.20 – 4.10
Rookie Lifeguard Invite Only Y7 (Be)	Pool	3.20 – 4.10

Remember to wear full school PE kit for after school activities and trainers only for lunchtime. Please be on time.

School Menu - Monday 17 November

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mains	<u>MEAT FREE MONDAY</u> Macaroni Cheese topped with a herby crust Roasted vegetable & Pesto Tart	Minced Beef Cottage Pie Vegan Cottage Pie (Vegan)	Roast Gammon Vegetable Bake (V)	Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie Vegetable Pie (Vegan)	Freshly Battered Fish Vegetable Burger (Vegan)
On the side	Garlic Bread		Yorkshire Pudding Roast potatoes	Potato wedges	Chips
Vegetable	<i>Selection of seasonal vegetables served every day</i>				
Snack option & Daily Special	<i>Baked potato & fillings</i> <i>Homemade Sandwiches</i>	<i>Baked potato & fillings</i> <i>Homemade Sandwiches</i>	<i>Baked potato & fillings</i> <i>Homemade Sandwiches</i>	<i>Baked potato & fillings</i> <i>Homemade Sandwiches</i>	<i>Baked potato & fillings</i> <i>Homemade Sandwiches</i>
Family Favourites	Eves Pudding & custard <i>A selection of: Traybake/muffin Cookies Yogurt Fruit</i>	Rice Pudding & Jam Sauce <i>A selection of: Traybake/muffin Cookies Yogurt Fruit</i>	Chocolate Mousse <i>A selection of: Traybake/muffin Cookies Yogurt Fruit</i>	Peach Cobbler & Custard <i>A selection of: Traybake/muffin Cookies Yogurt Fruit</i>	Chocolate Orange Marble Cake & Custard <i>A selection of: Traybake/muffin Cookies Yogurt Fruit</i>



Monday - Friday
7.45-8.30am
Learning Resource Centre



 Lunchtime Clubs 				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Accafellas (Boys Choir) 13:30 - 14:10 L37 Mr Starkie	Sparx Homework Club 13:30 - 14:00 MA12	Y7 Science Club 13:40 - 14:05 SC1 Mr Thompson	Y11 and Y12 Badminton 13:30 - 14:10 Sports Hall Mr Goldsmith and Mr Hartley	Y7 MFL Film Club 13:20 - 13:50 ML4 Miss Leplatre Bring your packed lunch
KS4 Chess Club 13:30 - 14:10 SC4 Mr Tilbrook	Y11 - 13 History Society 13:30 - 14:00 HI2 Mr Walker	Y9 Werewolf Card Game 13:30 - 14:10 HI1 Miss Field	Sparx Homework Club 13:30 - 14:00 MA12	DT Club 13:20 - 13:50 TE3 DT TEAM
Sparx Homework Club 13:30 - 14:00 MA12	Y7 and Y8 Werewolf Card Game Club 13:30 - 14:10 HI1 Miss Field	Silent Space Reading Room 13:30 - 14:00 HI7 Miss Turvey (Bring your packed lunch)	Pickleball 13:30 - 14:00 Gym	Exam Catchup 13:30 - 14:10 PE1/IT4 Mr Goldsmith
	Y10 - Y13 BASKETBALL 13:30 - 14:10 Gym Mr Hartley and Mr Goldsmith	6th Form Netball 13:30 - 14:10 Sports Hall Miss Gavin	Rural Club 13:30 - 14:10 GG1 6th Form Led	KS3 Chess Club 13:30 - 14:10 SC4 Mr Tilbrook
	Table Tennis Club 13:30 - 14:10 Drama Studio 6th Form Led	6th Form Christian Union 13:30 - 14:10 L17	First Aid Club 13:30 - 14:10 HI5 6th Form Led	Sparx Homework Club 13:30 - 14:00 MA12
		Sparx Homework Club 13:30 - 14:00 MA12		
		Y7 and Y8 Festive Food Club (booking required - please see food teachers) 13:30 - 14:10		
		Y7 to Y9 EAL Club 13:30 - 14:10 EN1		



After School Clubs



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Backstage Club (Starts 15th Sept) 15:15 - 16:00 (Main Hall) Mr Gladstone	ALL Years Dead Poets Society 15:25 - 16:25 EN8 Miss Dearlove	Y17 Homework Club 15:15 - 16:00 BS1 Miss Walker	Year 10 and 11 Girls Fitness 15:20 - 16:00 (Fitness Suite) Miss Wheater	Y7 Rookie Lifeguard (Invite Only) 15:20 - 16:10 Swimming Pool Miss Beard
All Years Girls Basketball 15:20 - 16:00 (Gym) Miss Wheater	ALL YEARS Netball 15:20 - 16:10 Sports Hall Mrs Beard	Y8 and 9 Homework Club 15:15 - 16:00 BS2 Mr Stabler	ALL YEARS Needlecraft Club 15:15 - 16:00 (RE6) Mrs Robertson and Mrs McDonald	Computer Gaming Club 15:15 - 16:00 BS1 Mr Jones
ALL YEARS Badminton 15:20 - 16:10 Sports Hall Mrs Beard	Y10 and 11 Fitness 15:20 - 16:10 Fitness Suite Mr Skelton	Y10 and 11 Homework Club 15:15 - 16:00 BS1 Mr Jones	Y7 Drama Club 15:20 - 16:00 Drama Studio Mrs Mullenger	
Y7 Homework Club 15:15 - 16:00 BS1 Miss Walker	Table Tennis 15:20 - 16:10 Studio External (Starts 7th October)		Y7, Y8 and Y9 Boys Basketball 15:20 - 16:10 Sports Hall Mr Hartley	
Y8 and 9 Homework Club 15:15 - 16:00 BS2 Mr Stabler	Y7 Homework Club 15:15 - 16:00 BS1 Miss Walker		Y7 - Y11 Debate Club 15:25 - 16:25 EN9 Mrs Doyle	
Y10 and 11 Homework Club 15:15 - 16:00 IT4 Mr Jones	Y8 and 9 Homework Club 15:15 - 16:00 BS2 Mr Stabler		Y7, 8 and 9 Homework Club 15:15 - 16:00 BS1 and BS2 Miss Walker and Mr Stabler	
KS3 Student Voice Newsletter 15:15 - 16:00 EN5 Miss Donnell	Y10 and 11 Homework Club 15:15 - 16:00 IT4 Mr Jones		Y10 and 11 Homework Club 15:15 - 16:00 IT4 Mr Jones	
MFL Film Club 15:15 - 16:15 RES Miss Rogers			AHS Running Club 15:30 - 16:30 Black Square Mr Thompson	

Extra- Curricular MUSIC 2025-26

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch	String Quartet Mo (by invitation only) L40 	String Ensemble All years (L37) Mo 	Wind Band (AM Reg) BN 		
	Archies Accafellas (Boys only) All years (L37) 	Junior (Yrs 8-10) Soul Band (L40) Mo 	Music Tech Club BN All years (L40) 	GCSE and A-Level Composition Support (L40) Mo 	AHS Academy Choir All years (L37) AWR/JSE 
After School	Senior Soul Band (yrs 11-13) (L40) Mo 	GCSE and A-Level Composition Support (L40) Mo 	Band rehearsals (by appointment only) Studio 	Show Band All years (L37) Mo 	AHS Resonance Choir Years 10-13 (by invitation only) (L37) JSE 

Anxiety Webinar

**Thursday 20th
November
4pm - 5pm**

This webinar is aimed at parents or young people needing support and advice

The webinar will focus on:

- Understanding what we mean by anxiety
- Understanding different types of thoughts
- Exploring techniques for managing anxiety.
- Breathing and grounding techniques.

notice
your
thoughts



JUST KEEP
Breathing

inhale exhale

Joining Information

To join our workshop please scan the QR code and follow the instructions to join using Microsoft Teams. You can also join using the following details:



Meeting ID: 367 112 853 219
Passcode: 673Uw3ej

If you have any issues logging on or any questions prior to the workshop please contact

teww.wimtwsa@nhs.net



Fractions and decimals study

What does it involve:

Four simple maths tasks with eye-tracking and feedback about completing the task

Four brief questionnaires about math skills and feelings towards maths

Eligibility: Students in
Year 6 and Year 9

Length: 90 minutes



Location: Department of Psychology,
University of York

The parent/guardian can choose to get a £15 Amazon voucher for participating (check the info sheet for details)



To participate email Nicoleta
or scan the QR code
nicoleta.gavrila@york.ac.uk



NOVEMBER 2025 INFORMATION SESSIONS AT SEND CENTRAL IN COLLABORATION WITH YORK PARENT CARER FORUM

Friday 21st November 1pm - 2 pm- Elective Home Education

An information session led by our Local Authority School Attendance Lead and a SEND navigator from the Parent Carer Forum around Elective Home Education.

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An Information Session led by CAMHS that looks at what ADHD is. There will be a focus on looking after yourself, practical tips for helping at home and supporting your child's educational development, general tips for supporting at school.

Understanding sleep and ADHD, tips and hints.

There will also be a consideration of the referral and assessment process and what comes next.

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View our monthly events schedule to find upcoming meet-ups and events



Cuppa and Chat

First Monday in every month (term time)

An online meet-up for parents and carers who struggle to attend in person meet ups. Come along to connect with others in our community, share, celebrate, offload or ask questions.



Monday 1st Dec 2025

7:00pm-8:00pm, Online



Parent Carer Wellbeing

First Tuesday in every month (term time)

Connect with other parents and carers, have a giggle, share some positives, maybe learn a new craft - and enjoy a cuppa on us!



Tuesday 2nd Dec 2025

10:30am-12:00pm, New Earswick Folk Hall



Parent Carer Signposting

First Wednesday in every month (term time)

An online event for parents who are new to the world of SEND. We can signpost to what parents tell us are the most useful resources as a starting point. Bring a cuppa and your questions!



Wednesday 3rd Dec 2025

6.30pm - 7.30pm, Online



Coffee Morning

Second Wednesday in every month (term time)

In response to feedback from our members, we are offering a **new** coffee morning at the York Theatre Royal cafe, which is fully accessible and easy to reach via public transport. Meet other parent carers and enjoy your first drink on us.



Wednesday 10th Dec 2025

10:30am - 12pm, York Theatre Royal



Parent Carer Voice

Third Thurs in every month (term time)

Meet other parent carers and discuss any issues you are having and talk about family life. No judgement, lots of understanding and support in a safe place. This meeting is held in a private booked space, in partnership with York Inspirational Kids.



Thursday 20th Nov 2025

9:30am-12pm, SEND Central



Listening Events

Various dates, monthly during term time

We welcome all parents and carers of children and young people with additional needs, living in York, to join us online for our informal listening event with key speakers, on topics and services which are relevant to our community of parent carers.



Tues 25th Nov 2025

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm, Online

'Lets Talk Money' - an info session about Welfare Benefits and where to find support.

[More info here.](#)

For all online events, please email Mary for the meeting link:

connect@pcfYork.co.uk

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PCF York November Campaign

This November, we are campaigning to **increase membership and strengthen our forum**, to remain equal partners with other professionals in York and **ensure family voice is heard**.

We have widened our social media presence to improve our visibility and help us **reach as many new families as possible**.

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From **29 November to 6 December**, York celebrates inclusion, accessibility, and the contributions of disabled people across the city. This annual event is organised by York Human Rights City Network and partners to promote an equal, inclusive and accessible York for everyone. It runs alongside International Day of Persons with Disabilities on 3 December and forms part of the wider observance of UK Disability History Month (Nov-Dec).

What's on:

- ★ Talks and panel discussions
- ★ Creative arts and exhibitions
- ★ Workshops and community meet-ups
- ★ Accessibility and advice sessions
- ★ Music and cultural events - many free and hybrid (accessible online).

Check out the [full programme](#), pick the events you're interested in and bring your friends along! Let's celebrate the strengths, contributions and value of disabled people and work together to build a city that's truly accessible for all.

[Click here to visit the website.](#)

Breath, Body, Mind

Free course for parent carers and unpaid carers

If you're an unpaid carer or you support someone in their day to day lives, you're invited to join a **free four-week Breath, Body, Mind course in New Earswick**, funded by the National Lottery Community Fund.



Fridays from 28th Nov 2025

**1:30-3:30pm, Quaker Meeting House,
New Earswick, YO32 4AD**

[Click here to find out more and book your free place.](#)

Other dates are available here.

Or email justin@partnersindementia.org for more information.



SEIZURE SAFETY AWARENESS

Free 90-minute online training session



Thursday 27th Nov 2025

3:30 - 5:00pm

Online

Led by the [SUDEP Action](#) education team and commissioned by South Yorkshire ICB, this free course offers evidence-based solutions to support safer care and shared decision-making. Learn essential knowledge and practical tools to reduce epilepsy-related risks. Hear about practical evidence-based solutions (including a digital check) that can be an aid to support people with epilepsy. This session is for family carers, providers of care, schools and children's services.

[Click here to book your free place.](#)





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Upcoming SEND Central Events

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Email sendcentral@york.gov.uk to book.

[Click here](#) for more upcoming SEND Central events.



SEND CENTRAL



Check out York's new hub for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and their families.

Pop in for information, advice and more! You do not need to have an Education Health and Care Plan.

SEEDLINGS - for under 5s with SEND

Free drop-in monthly sessions.

Come along to enjoy our outdoor space, sensory area, arts and crafts, music/singing, storytime, peer support and refreshments.



Wednesday 19th Nov
09:30 - 11:00am
Starry Skies



Wednesday 17th Dec
09:30 - 11:00am
Christmas Party (with special guest!)



Located at SEND Central, Clifton Family Hub.

Contact sendseedlings@gmail.com if you need more information or support to attend.

Carers Rights Day 2025

We're proud to support Carers Rights Day 2025 alongside York Carers Centre and the Patient Experience Team at York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

Together, we're recognising and supporting unpaid carers and ensuring their voices shape our services.

Find out more by visiting the links below:



- [Carer Hub & Charter](#)
- [Patient Information Leaflets](#)
- [York Carers Centre](#)

Relaxed SENDay at



Sunday 14th December 2025
[Find more info and book here.](#)



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Your Accessibility Guide





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Autism Support for Parents

Support for parents from the Specialist Teaching Team for Autism.

In-person drop-in support.

No need to book, just come along and meet a Specialist teacher and Specialist TA from the Autism Team. Meet other parents to discuss general issues and concerns, find information and look at useful resources. These sessions take place during term time on **Wednesdays** between **1.30pm and 2.30pm**, at the **YIKS All About Autism Hub, at SEND Central.**



Upcoming dates:

- **Weds 19 November**
- **Weds 26 November**

Morning phone line sessions.

To book one of the 20 minute phone call sessions, email: **parentcarerautismsupport@york.gov.uk** with your name and a contact telephone number. Sessions are fortnightly on Wednesdays during term time, between 9am and 12 noon. Bookings close the Thursday before the session.



Upcoming dates:

- **Weds 19 November**
- **Weds 3 December**

Early Support Playgroup

Free drop-in stay-and-play sessions for parents, carers and preschoolers with additional needs. Meet others, explore learning through play, receive signposting info and support strategies.

Mondays

Weekly in the Willow Room at The Avenues Children's Centre, **10am to 11:30am**



Upcoming dates:

- **Mon 17 November**
- **Mon 24 November**

Tuesdays

Weekly in the Cherry Room at Hob Moor Children's Centre, **10am to 11.30am**



Upcoming dates:

- **Tues 18 November**
- **Tues 25 November**

Wednesdays

Term time: 2nd and 4th Weds in the Little Stars Playroom at SEND Central, **9:30am to 11am**



Upcoming dates:

- **Wed 26 November**
- **Wed 10 December**

Contact Lauren.Williams@york.gov.uk or Shahenaz.Shaikh@york.gov.uk for more info



Autism Central

Autism Central offers free, NHS commissioned online events for families of autistic people, providing a space to reflect and work together, share knowledge and skills. It also offers education family guide sessions and reflective sessions.

[Find out more info and view events here.](#)

contact *For families with disabled children*

Brighter Beginnings

Free Early Years Workshops

Contact are running a series of **free workshops for families of disabled children aged 0 – 5 years old**. The workshops are held online on various upcoming dates.

[For more information and links to book workshops, click here.](#)



Bullying and Discrimination

This school is a place where every person has the right to be themselves and to be included in a safe and happy environment. Everyone at our school is equal and should be treated with respect. We have a zero-tolerance approach to all forms of discrimination. This includes disablism, racism, homophobia, biphobia, transphobia and religious discrimination.

It is the responsibility of all members of the school community to work together to ensure everyone is free from any bullying and/or discrimination; there is no place at Archbishop Holgate's School for bullying or discrimination in any form.

What is bullying and discrimination?

The Anti-Bullying Alliance (AGA) defines bullying as:

“the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power.”

It can happen face to face or through cyberspace

The types of bullying can be:



Verbal bullying



Physical bullying



Virtual bullying



Social bullying

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• name calling• spreading rumours• derogatory or offensive language• threatening someone | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• hitting• physically intimidating• using inappropriate or unwanted physical contact | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• texting, emailing or using social media to write or say hurtful things about someone | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• deliberately excluding or ignoring people• manipulating friendship groups |
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Remember: *Falling out with your friends is not bullying.*

We operate a zero tolerance approach to any form of bullying, harassment, and discrimination. This includes disablism, racism, homophobia, biphobia, transphobia and religious discrimination.

Why do people bully or discriminate?

g powerless in their own lives	Someone else is bullying them	Jealousy or frustration	Lack of understanding or empathy
ooking for attention	Mimicking behaviours of family	Bullying behaviour gets rewarded	Inability to regulate emotions

The cycle of bullying

There are different roles played in bullying. What role do you play? What role should you play?



Ringleader

Starting and leading the bullying but not always the person 'doing' the bullying.



Outsider(s)

Ignores any bullying and doesn't want to get involved.



Assistant(s)

Actively involved in 'doing' the bullying.



Target

The person who is being bullied



Reinforcer(s)

Supports the bullying, might laugh or encourage other people to carry on what is going on.



Defender(s)

Stands up for someone being bullied. Knows that bullying is wrong and feels confident enough to do something about it. This might involve talking to an adult in school.

What can we all do to stop bullying and discrimination?

Be kind, Be respectful

TO DO Today. And repeat.

- Be kind.
- Be considerate.
- Be respectful.
- Be honest/authentic.
- Think beyond yourself.

- Choose kindness, as you never know what someone else is going through
- Saying something nice can bring a smile to someone's face
- Being kind can help others feel happy and confident

Live our school values into being



- **Compassion:** understand what someone else is feeling.
- **Forgiveness:** Show forgiveness to others and make friends.
- **Trust:** Trust that when you show how to be kind, others will follow.
- **Justice:** Stand up and Speak out!

Stand up, Speak out



Weak people put others down.
Strong people lift them up.

Stand up and say no to bullying
and discrimination. Make lots of
noise!

If you are being bullied or
discriminated against do not
accept it. Tell someone!



Report it

If you are being bullied or
discriminated against or see any
it you must report it. Either:

- **Speak to a trusted adult**
- **Tell a friend**
- **Complete the REPORT IT form**
- **Email school:**
jkitney@ahs.pmat.academy
- **Phone Childline: 0800 1111**

Every member of the school community must work together to stop bullying and discrimination.

What to do if you are being bullied or discriminated against?



**Tell someone
you trust**



**Keep a record of
what's
happening.
Save the
evidence.**



**Report it, block
it**



**Don't retaliate
(often that's
what they
want!)**



**Surround
yourself with
people that
make you feel
good**



**Don't blame
yourself,
remember the
problem is with
them not you.**

What to do if someone tells you they're being bullied or discriminated against



Listen



**Praise them for speaking
out!**



**Calmly work with them to
resolve the problem**



**If needed, get help from a
trusted person**

How to report bullying or discrimination?



Talk to someone

If you are being bullied or discriminated against
Talk to a trusted adult or if you cannot do that a trusted friend.

If you see bullying or discrimination

You must **SPEAK OUT** and say something. You must tell a member of staff in school.



Email the school

You can email school to report any bullying or discrimination at:

- jkitney@ahs.pmat.academy

Please provide as much information as you possibly can so it can be logged and forwarded to the right member of our pastoral care team.



Use the schools 'anonymous' REPORT IT form

You can use the schools REPORT IT form. You do NOT have to add your name.A

- Please provide as much information as you possibly can.
- Either use this link :[REPORT IT](#) or scan the QR code



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Support Staff Vacancies

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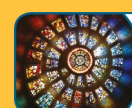


Job	Trust Finance Manager
School	Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust
Details	Grade 10 (Points 10.1 – 10.4) £43,606 – £49,228 per annum Permanent Full Time – 37 hours per week
Closes	Thursday 20th November at 09.00am

Job	Teaching Assistant (TA2) 1:1 SEN Support
School	New Earswick Primary School
Details	Grade 4 Level 1-4 (£25,114- £26,319) reduced pro-rata Fixed term to 17th July 2026. 32.50 hours per week, Term Time Only Monday to Friday 8:30am to 3:30pm
Closes	Friday 31st November at Midday

Job	Teacher of English
School	Archbishop Holgate's School—York
Details	Mainscale / UPS Full Time Fixed Term: January-July 2026 For the suitable candidate, a permanent contract would be considered
Closes	Friday 21st November at 08.00am

Job	MSA
School	Rufforth Primary School
Details	Grade 2 Level 1 – 4 (24,309 pro rata) Fixed Term contract. 2 days a week, days to be discussed 12.00-1.00pm term time only Required week commencing 3rd November 2025
Closes	N/A



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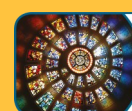


Job	Learning and Regulation Practitioner
School	Applefields School
Details	Grade 7—Level 1 to 4 (£31,497 to £33,727) Permanent—Term Time only 34.25 hours per week Mon—Fri 8.30am—4.00pm and 4.30pm on a Wednesday Required As soon as possible
Closes	Thursday 20th November at Midday

Job	Breakfast & After School Club Assistant
School	Heworth CE Primary School
Details	Grade 3 Level 1-4 Full time equivalent starting salary = £24,483, reduced pro-rata. Hourly rate payable is £12.73.
Closes	Wednesday 26th November at 08.00am

Job	Teaching Assistant L3
School	Applefields School
Details	Grade 6 Level 1-4 (£28,394—£30,975 Pro Rata) Part-Time 31.83 Hours per week Term Time Only Permanent.
Closes	Thursday 20th November at Midday

Job	After School Club Assistant
School	Rufforth Primary School
Details	Grade 3 Level 1: £24,483 per annum (reduced pro rata) Monday—Friday 3pm– 6.00pm. Term time only.
Closes	Thursday 27th November at Midday



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Job	Teaching Assistant L3—Minster Provision
School	Applefields School (Based at Clifton Explore)
Details	Grade 6—Level 1 to 4 (£28,394—£30,975) Pro rata £20,950 to £22854 Permanent—Term Time only 31.83 hours per week Required as soon as possible
Closes	Thursday 27th November at Midday

Job	Exam Invigilator
School	Malton School
Details	£12.45 per hour. Casual Contract.
Closes	N/A

Job	Cleaning Assistant
School	Archbishop Holgate's School
Details	Currently £12.60 per hour Full Year or Term Time 20 hours per week, Monday-Friday, 3.30-7.30pm Salary paid monthly over 12 equal payments Required as soon as possible
Closes	N/A

