



The Phoenix Flier

The Yarm Preparatory School Newsletter

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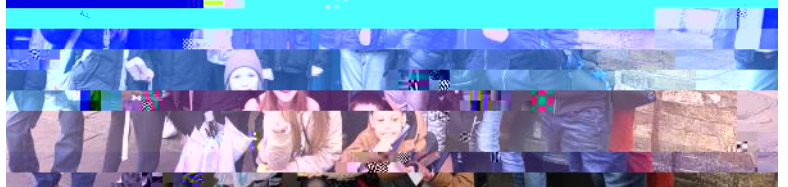
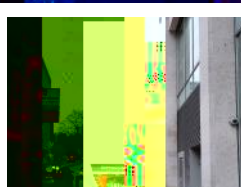
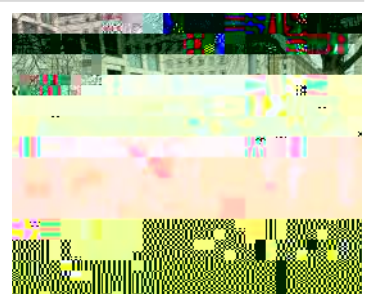
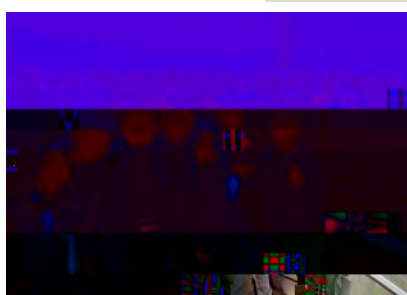
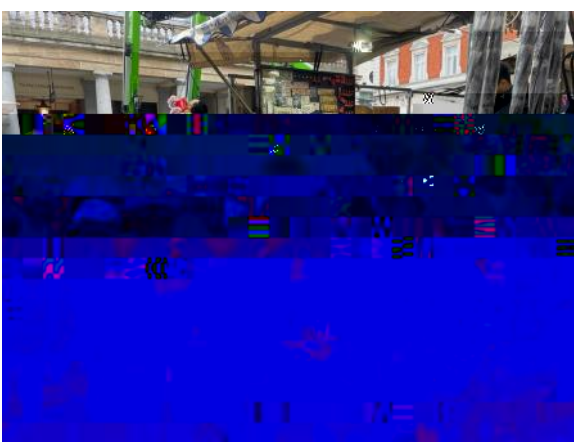
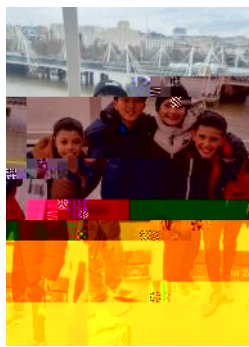
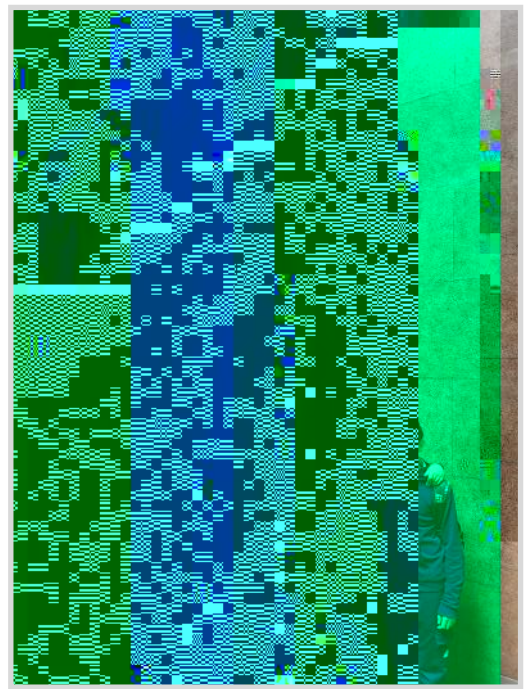
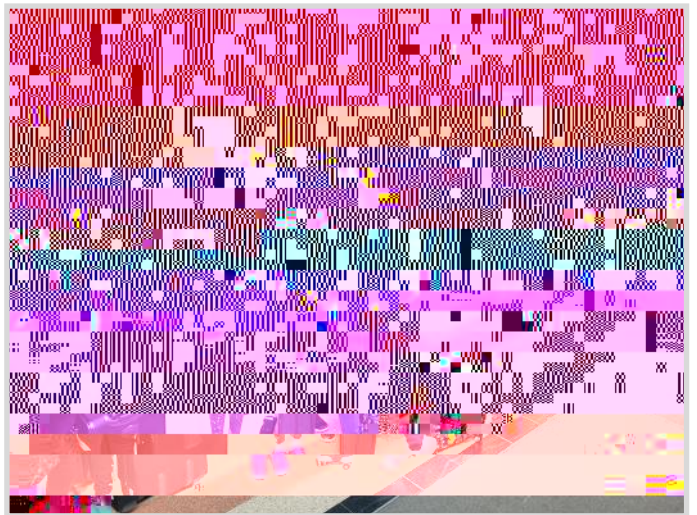
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A message from Mr Sawyer

Welcome to another edition of the Phoenix Flier; the final one for the Spring Term! As you will see

Year London Residential



Yarm Under 9 Netball Festival

It's the taking part that counts. I don't think about winning or losing, I think it's about having fun. It was a great, fun festival with lots of challenges we overcame. It was brilliant and competitive but very enjoyable.

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The team played Tranby High (Humberside Champions) in their first game and after the first few minutes where we looked a little rusty we began to play some decent hockey. It was end to end during the 40 minute game with both schools creating chances and scoring them. This game had a draw written all over it but Tranby found an extra burst of energy in the last 2 minutes to snatch the game 3-2. The girls had given everything in this game and played some fantastic hockey. They all contributed and showed they belonged on this regional stage.

This meant the girls couldn't progress to the final so played Wakefield Girls in the 3rd/4th play off game. Again this was 40 minutes so I was pleased we could enrich the squad with fresh legs. At 2-0 up going into half time we were cruising and should have scored a few more, but as the whistle went on the stroke of half time WGS were awarded a short corner. Even as the half time whistle went the penalty had to be taken and sadly we were not able to stop the ball going into the back of the net. This meant just a slender lead going into the second half just 2-1 up. Tranby once again grew from this goal and we began to get nervous, unable to take any more chances we created. With only 5 minutes left they speculatively hit the ball forward bypassing the midfield and managed to hit the post and follow up this rebound and score against the run of the play it has to be said. At 2-2 the girls were absolutely shattered and at the end of the game the teams agreed to share 3rd place. It really was a super day of hockey and hard going at times but to get to the Yorkshire, Humberside and North East finals in the first place was a fantastic achievement. The team showed real quality throughout and are going to grow into fine hockey players. I look forward to following their successes as they move to the Senior School. Well done to Nona, Ellie, Willow, Maisy, Daisy, Bea A, Gabby, Amelie, Lou (C) Anjali and Bea G who I could not have asked anymore from that day. I was immensely proud of their efforts and they should be also.

Next term our attention turns to cricket for the girls and all fixtures are on the school website. Finally, I want to express my gratitude to the staff who support the Games department, driving school sports forward and being such positive role models for our girls.

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This term can be described in so many ways. It has been jam packed with sport, fixtures and activities. It has been wonderful to see so many boys take part in numerous fixtures across so many sports across Years 3-6. What has been a pleasure to witness is that through the mass participation, success has followed. Fixtures and workshops with GSAL, Dame Allan's, Ashville and St Peter's have all provided many learning points and sparked future friendships enabling our boys to develop their resilience. While coming second in the HMC Football was a disappointment for the U11s, the U10s who attended can learn from this experience and look to go one step further next year. The success enjoyed by the footballers was replicated and exceeded by the U11 boys hockey team. Following the disappointment of being knocked out of the North-East round of the

Year 6 Tour de Yarm (French Week)

You've heard of the Tour de France? Year 6 has ended the term on a high by participating in the "Tour de Yarm". The children have planned their own routes for a local cycle race, they have designed their own cycling jerseys and mascots and have pitched their designs to their class.

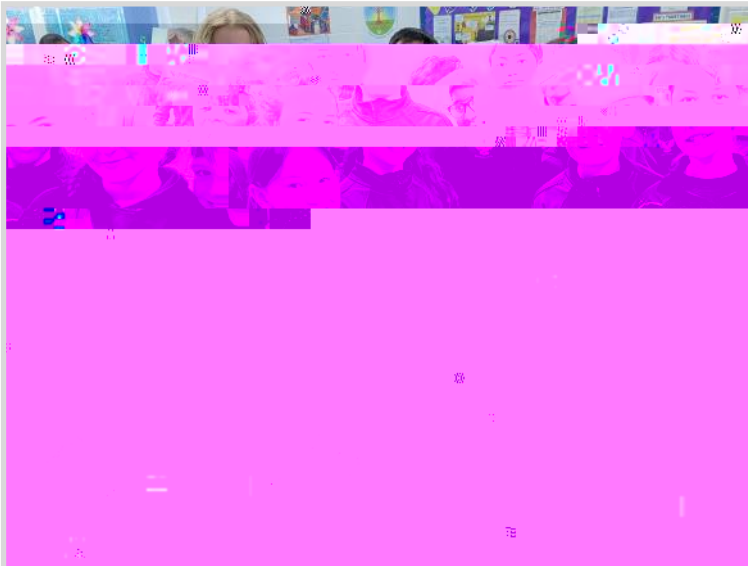
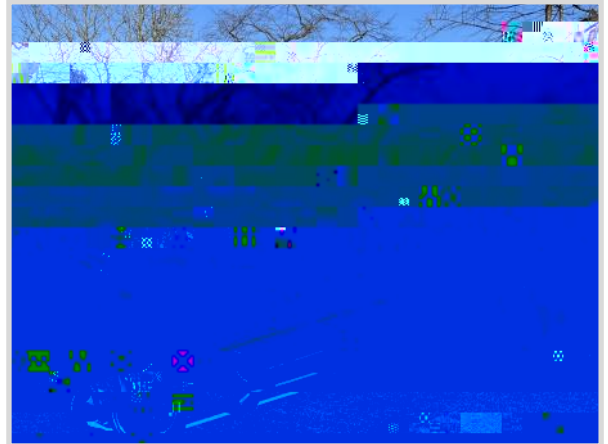
Mr Jennings, a cycling expert, spoke to the children about his passion for cycling and passed on his expert knowledge about the Tour de France. Sadhbh O'Shea, a journalist for Velonews, talked about her career as a sports journalist reporting on famous cycle races. Her stories were both fascinating and thought provoking.

We couldn't have a Tour de Yarm without some practical biking sessions. These sessions saw the children having fun cycling while completing their level 1 Bikeability qualification.

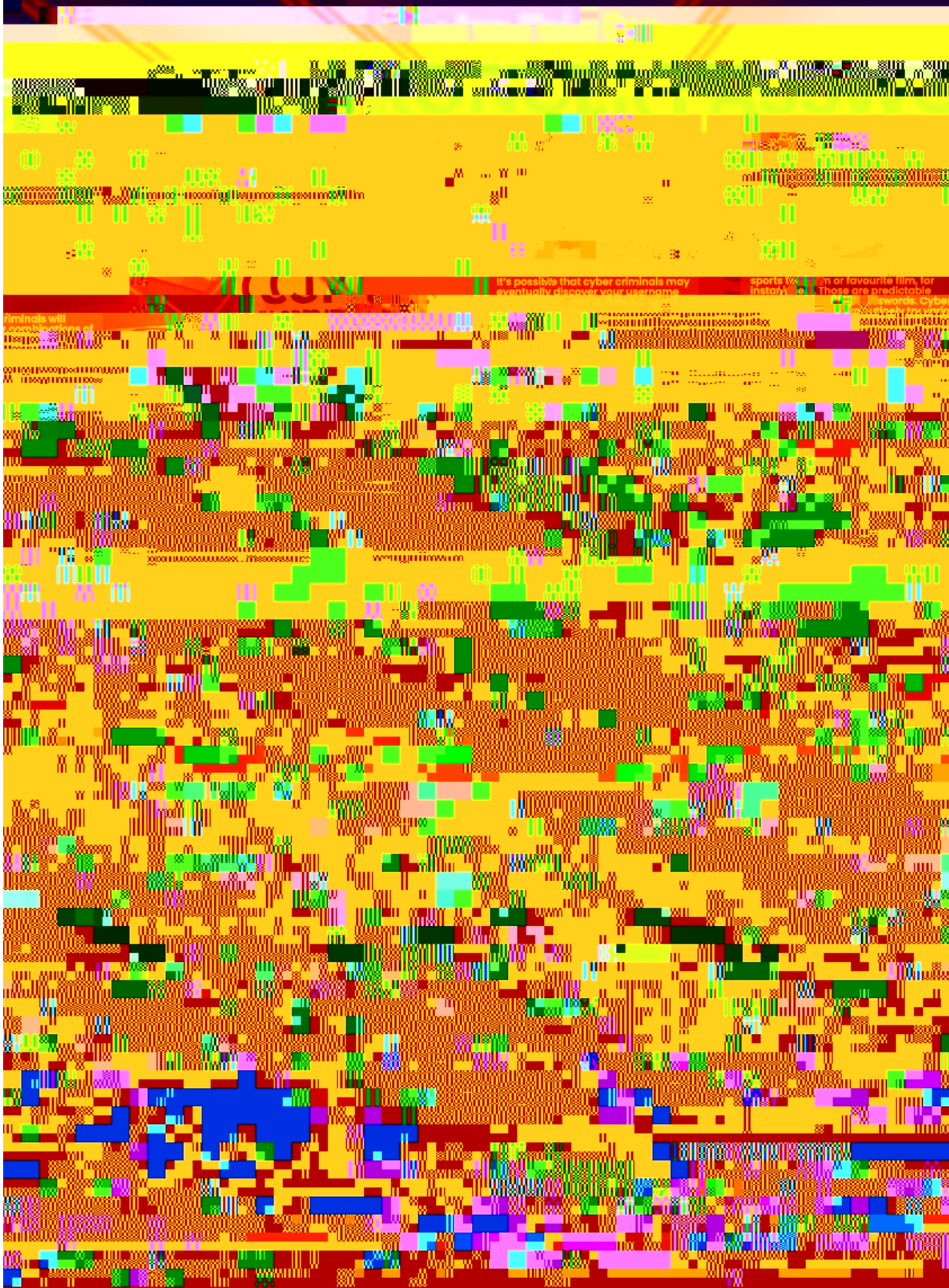
Under Pippa's guidance the children have even enjoyed making and eating their own croissants! Lunch, of course, has been inspired by French cuisine and a celebratory picnic is planned for Friday to showcase the children's work.

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Key Dates

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- o Year 6 Edinburgh Sports Tour departs
- M Easter Holiday School commences
Edinburgh Sports Tour returns
- u Easter Holiday School finishes
- u Pupils return
Summer Term begins
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- F Ramadan celebrations
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Act vites Carousel 4 begins (Y4-6)
Year 4 planting hedges
- u Whole School photograph (9am)
Mustard Seed Project assembly
Senior School Fashion Show (6-7pm; PAA)
- ‡ Y4 Vindolanda residential—Zoom for parents
(4pm)
- u Sustrans assembly
- F U11 Boys & Girls Cricket v Pocklington
(away; 2pm start, 5.30pm return)
- o UK Chess Challenge Mega Final
(PAA; 10am-5pm)

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- M School closed; Bank Holiday
- u Knockout Chess begins
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- ‡ Informal Concert (Prep Hall; 4pm)