



## LOTS OF GOOD NEWS THIS MONTH !!

We're delighted to bring you a few stories of GOOD NEWS to brighten up your lockdown world!!  
Please feel free to join us for all the events described.....

### RAISING FUNDS FOR CHROMEBOOKS FOR SCHOOLS

Since March last year, our Rotary members have been donating the money they would have spent on Rotary lunches into a pool that has helped over seven local charities, most notably the York Foodbank, with over £25,000 donated so far.

In January, in conjunction with the other two Rotary Clubs in York we have been raising money for six local schools to buy Chromebook laptops that the schools can then lend out to disadvantaged children, enabling them to keep up with their studies during lockdown. Our own club - supporting York High School and Fulford School - has raised over £3200 so far.

If YOU would like to help, we would welcome further donations, however big or small, these can be made up to Sunday evening Jan 31st on our website "Members page (*Donate Your Lunch*)" [here](#)



**DONATE YOUR  
LUNCH MONEY**

Read the full story [here](#)

## CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

York Rotary celebrates it's Centenary this year - and we are kicking off the celebrations next Friday (100 years since the Inaugural Meeting of the Club on February 4th 1921) with a short half-hour reprise looking back on our first 100 years with some reminiscences; archive material to illustrate how York Rotary started; a video; and much more...

This will be at the start of our regular meeting on **February 5th** (followed by a speaker from Brunswick Nursery about their work) and ALL *Friends* are warmly invited to join us.

**If you'd like to join us at this meeting, you would be very welcome..**

We will start at **12.30pm PROMPT**, with the 30-minute celebration; and then listen for 15-20 minutes to the speaker of the day, Alison Hughes from Brunswick Nurseries.

**Zoom link:** <https://zoom.us/j/2993052538>

Room ID: 2993052538

Password: paulharris

*(It would be helpful - though not essential - if you could let me know if you planning on attending, so we can welcome you properly!)*



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## WOULD A ROTARIAN LIE TO YOU?

Most people are familiar with the BBC Game show "Would I Lie to You?" which has been running since 2007 and is airing currently on Friday evenings at 9pm (BBC1) \*.

Well, we now have our own version!..

### ***"Would a Rotarian Lie to You?"***

This will follow a (vaguely) similar format to the TV show, with one of our Rotarians making a statement and one team being able to ask questions to ascertain whether this is the truth or a lie.

We promise an evening of laughs and fun - and its FREE!

*(You can even bring your own pancakes too!!)*

**Tues Feb 16th at 7pm on zoom**

*Friends of York Rotary* members are VERY welcome to join in.

There is more information [here](#) - you will need to sign up and please note we have very limited spaces still available!





## DRAGON BOATS ARE BACK!

We were delighted to announce this week that our York Rotary Dragon Boat Challenge will be back this year - a bit later than usual

**Sunday September 12th**

Please make a note in your diaries - and if you are in a competing team, and have not already heard from us, you can ensure you get an application pack by going to our website [here](https://www.yorkrotary.co.uk/friends)



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Best wishes to you all

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