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Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our first full week back in school and what a week! Thank you for your patience and understanding around the myriad of communications for the arrangements for the road closure yesterday. Please be assured we will be taking this further with the companies involved!

Celebrating 150 Years of Egton School

Thank you to those who attended our meeting on Thursday afternoon. We now have lots of amazing plans and ideas for the year. It's not too late to get involved so do let us know if you would like to be part of the planning team.

Last call - Logo Competition

We invite the children to design a special logo that will be used alongside our school logo throughout this year. Designs must be within a square no larger than able to be fitted on a piece of A4 paper. Designs should be submitted by **Tuesday 19th September** to be judged at our first Governing Body meeting of the year.

Calling all past pupils, staff and governors!

In preparation for our 150 year anniversary celebrations this year, we are collecting copies of any photographs and memorabilia for an event later in the year. We would also be interested to receive any documented memories or recollections of times past related to school events. Please do get in touch with us if you have something of interest to share. Thank you.

Stay and Play sessions - Spread the word!

Our next Stay and Play sessions for prospective new starters September 2024 will be on **Wednesday 18th October between 10.30am - 11.30am and Tuesday 14th November 2.00pm-3.00pm**. During the session, children will be able to take part in a variety of activities in our Infant and Early Years class and outdoor area. We will serve refreshments part way through the session so please let us know of any allergies or dietary requirements.

If you would like any more information, please don't hesitate to give us a ring on 01947 895369 and ask for Mrs Orland or Miss Robertson. For Safeguarding reasons, all children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian or a nursery member of staff.

ParentPay

The balances on ParentPay should now be updating on a Friday, so please log on and check the balances on your accounts. If you are having any issues setting up your account, please let Buffy know.

OctoberFest

We have been asked to share the attached information with you about a fun run called OCTOBERFEST that is being run by the Rotary Club of Whitby and District. Please note this is not a school event and if you have any queries, please contact Mr Stones directly. If anyone would like to enter, please complete the attached entry form and bring into school with the entry fee by 27th September.

Beck Isle Museum

We have been asked to share the following information with you from Beck Isle Museum:

Heritage Day - Saturday 16 September 11-3pm

If you're interested in steam engines, models or heritage crafts you'll have a great day out at the museum! 'Old Lass' steam engine will be paying us a visit, we'll have working stationary engines, working model fairground rides and more. We'll also have craft demonstrations ranging from blacksmithing to rag rugging and willow weaving to printing. There will also be opportunities to try your hand at some of the crafts or relax in our lovely courtyard with a cuppa and a piece of homemade cake from our pop up café. Activities included in the admission price.

Swimming & Forest School

Next Thursday, 21st September 2023 will be our First Forest School Session for the Infants. The following Thursday [28th] shall be our First Swimming session of the season.

School Term Dates

The list of term dates for the 2023/2024 academic year can be viewed HERE.

Diary Dates

Please note that our calendar can be found on the school website <u>HERE</u>. This is updated regularly throughout the term.

Half Term	30/10 - 3/11 Children return on Monday 6th November
Swimming	28/9, 12/10, 26/10, 16/11, 30/11, 14/12
Forest School	21/9, 5/10, 19/10, 9/11, 23/11, 7/12, 21/12
Whole school trip to York Chocolate Story	04/10

Next week I will be at Egton on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and at Danby on Tuesday and Thursday. Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Liz Orland Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

Safeguarding Children Telephone Number

If you have a safeguarding concern about a child, please note that from the 1st April 2023, the main customer service line for the new North Yorkshire Council will be changing. The new number will be **0300 131 2 131** and will replace the old 01609 780780 number. This will mean that all contacts for referrals for children within North Yorkshire need to go through the 0300 131 2 131 number. **This includes any contacts out of hours for the Emergency Duty Team.**

The contact number for the professionals line will remain the same 01609 535070.

The updated details regarding making a referral for a child in North Yorkshire have been updated on our website (www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/about-us/worried-about-a-child).

School Dinner Menu

Please find attached the school dinner menu for this term. Please be aware that sometimes menus do need to change slightly depending on deliveries etc.

If your child has any special dietary requirements or allergies please could you let us know by completing the appropriate form which can be found <u>HERE</u>

Healthy Snacks

Children may bring a 'healthy' snack into school for morning break, no crisps, cake or chocolate please. Fruit will also be available for any child that would like some.

Dinners and Breakfast and After School Clubs

Just a reminder of our costs this term.

- Dinners for Junior children £2.80. (Infant meals continue to be free of charge through a government scheme)
- Breakfast club: £3.00 a day

• After School Club: £2.50 3.30pm - 4.30pm - to include a drink and snack

£3.00 4.30pm - 5.30pm - to include a drink and light tea

Please note that there will continue to be our free of charge fun after school club in the autumn term until October half term on Wednesdays from 3.30pm - 4.30pm. If children need to stay until 5.30pm for after school provision on these evenings, parents will still be charged £5.50 for the two hours as staff members will need to be retained during that time. Thank you.

Jewellery in School

Please could we remind everyone of the policy regarding jewellery in school:

'Jewellery is not allowed to be worn for Health and Safety reasons following a directive from North Yorkshire County Council. However a watch and small stud earrings may be worn on a daily basis but must be removed for PE.'

We have noticed a number of children wearing items such as bracelets and necklaces recently. Not only does this present a health and safety risk but also causes upset if these items get lost. If you wish your child to have their ears pierced, we recommend that you have this done over the Summer holiday period to allow them to heal before a return to school. All earrings must now be removed for PE and Swimming lessons, we are not allowed to tape over them as in previous times.

Recycle4Charity

Recycle4Charity is an organisation set up to receive used ink cartridges. This, in turn supplies an income to charities & organisations who sign up to it. We have a 'used ink cartridges' box in

school. Feel free to bring in your used ink cartridges to fill our box and earn some money for School! For more information about 'Recycle4charity', please use the link below.

https://www.recycle4charity.co.uk/AboutUs

Contacting the teaching staff

<u>I.tokarski@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk</u> <u>I.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk</u> <u>g.robertson@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk</u>

Please note that staff emails are only monitored during the hours of 8am and 4pm Monday to Friday. For anything urgent outside of these hours please contact the admin email. admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk

Attendance

Just a little reminder that if your child is ill and will be absent from school, we ask that you contact school to let us know on each day that they will be absent, by 9.30am. This can be by telephone on **01947 895369** or by email to admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk . If we do not hear anything from you we will give you a call to check everything is okay as part of our safeguarding procedures. Thank you

Free School Meal Eligibility

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals for your child, please use the application form which can be found on the NYCC website -Free school meals | North Yorkshire County Council.

Even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and currently receives universal free school meals, please check your entitlement. Being eligible will mean that the school receives additional funding for your child which will go towards their learning and any additional support they may need.

To qualify for free school meals you must fulfil one of the following criteria:

- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods (£616.67 per month);
- Income Support;
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance;
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance;
- Support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit:
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are also not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual household gross income that does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by HMRC); or
- Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit. Please note that contributions-based benefits, including contribution-related Jobseekers' Allowance do not entitle you to claim free school meals.

If you need any help or further clarification, please contact the school office.

Egton Village Hall

Egton Village Hall is available to hire once again, for Parties and Events. The rates for hire are as follows:

£10ph for hall only plus tea and coffee making facilities £12ph for a buffet which doesn't require the use of the oven £15ph for full use of the kitchen.

All booking enquiries should be made by emailing villagehallegton@gmail.com. The bookings secretary will then get back to you.