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Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

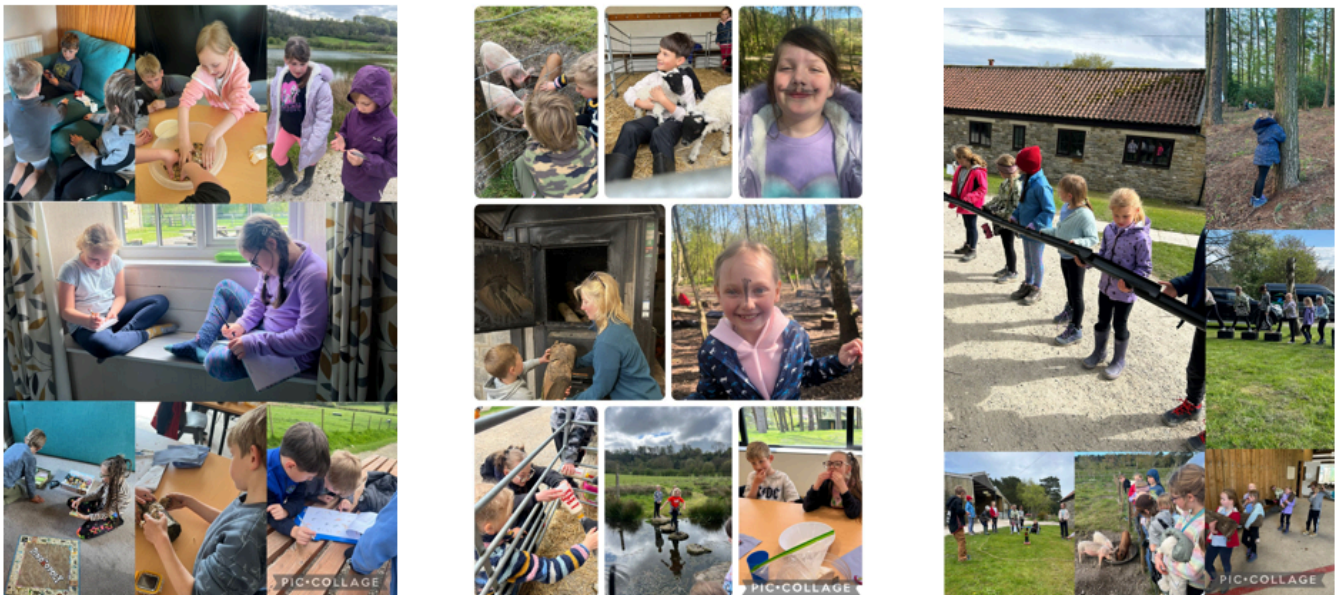
May Day Bank Holiday

School is closed on Monday 4th May for the May Day Bank Holiday. We reopen on Tuesday morning as normal.

Y3/4 Peat Rigg

What a fantastic start to the week our Y3/4 children have had!! I think we can safely say that Peat Rigg was a roaring success! At the start of the week, children from Danby & Egton were mixed into 2 groups to undertake activities together for the duration of our stay.

Peat Rigg Pictures



On Monday, we had a brilliant first day with orienteering, team building games, making bird feeders, feeding piglets and lambs and then a woodland walk with games and activities in the evening. Tuesday saw us tasting fruits of the world, making our own campfire bread and then making our own fires to bake it on 🔥 followed by a scavenger hunt and birdwatching! 🐦 On Wednesday, we completed our groups activities and fed the lambs again of course and then took part in the Peat Rigg Olympics, complete with our own opening ceremonies. After a picnic lunch in the sunshine, it was time to collect our things and return back to school. It was an absolutely

jam-packed adventure for sure, ending with a quiet ride home, with some tired little people but hopefully some great memories! A big thank you to the staff team from Egton and Danby and of course the Peat Rigg team for taking such good care of us.

I'm really proud of how all the children managed their time away and how their confidence has grown over the three days away.

Y3/4 Quad Kids

Last Friday, our Y3/4 pupils attended a 'Quadkids' event. The children took part in a range of activities from throwing to jumping and a spot of long and short distance running. It was an afternoon packed full of activities; they even managed a game of cricket too! The sun shone rightly, and much fun was had by all!

Swimming

Next week we will be swimming. Please ensure everyone has their usual kits with them. Thank you.

Half Term Outdoor Activities

Please see the link [HERE](#) to see forthcoming activities organised by North Yorkshire Outdoor Learning Activities

School Dinner Menu

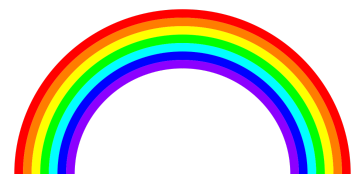
Please click [HERE](#) for the Spring/Summer Term menu. Sometimes menus do need to change slightly depending on deliveries etc. If your child has any special dietary requirements or allergies please could you let us know by completing the appropriate form which can be found [HERE](#).

FOES NEWS

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 7th May**. We will be planning the Summer Fair and other end of term events. Do come along and join us for a cuppa, children welcome to stay.

Colour Run - Save the Date

This is our first joint event planned with Danby School FODs and promises to be a fun (if not a little messy) event! There will be a colour run at Danby show field on Friday 12th June at 4pm. Further details to follow in due course.



Bag2School FOES Fundraiser

Thank you for all your donations for the Bag2School on 23rd April. The total weight came to 130kg which equated to £26.00 towards FOES - thank you!

School Term Dates

The list of term dates for the academic year 2025-2026 can be found [HERE](#).

Diary Dates

Please note that our calendar can be found on the school website [HERE](#). This is updated regularly throughout the term.

Swimming Every Other Thursday	7th & 21st May, 11th & 25th June, 9th July
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Forest School Juniors	4th June, 2nd July
Forest School Infants	14th May, 18th June
Easter Holidays	Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April
SATs Week	Monday 11th - Thursday 14th May
Half Term	25th - 29th May
Y6 Transition Week	Monday 6th - Friday 10th July
Y6 Leavers' Assembly	Thursday 16th July
Break Up Summer Holidays	Friday 17th July PLEASE NOTE: There will be no after school club available on this day

Next week, I will be at Egton on Tuesday and Thursday and Danby on Wednesday and Friday

Have a lovely bank holiday 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).

Mobile Phones, Smart Watches and Devices

Mobile phone and smart watch technology has advanced significantly over the last few years and continues to evolve. Many phones and smart watches now offer internet and e-mail access, alongside standard functions of messaging, tracking, camera, video and sound recording. We are also seeing an increase in Smartwatch 'look-alikes' which have games and activities on which are proving a distraction to learning and are time consuming for teaching staff to monitor.

Smartwatches and Smart-Watch lookalikes are therefore **not permitted** to be worn to school in line with the recent change in Government guidelines.

for your child to go to should the school need to close during the school day. Please complete this form and return to the school office as soon as possible.

[Link to safe alternative place for your child](#)

[Link to the school policy in the event of adverse weather conditions](#)

ParentPay Hints & Tips

If you would like to pay for all payment items together rather than individually, there is an option to pay for everything at once! Simply go into each payment item [on one or more children] and click 'Add to Basket' at the bottom of the screen. When everything is in the basket, click on the basket icon and pay for everything under one transaction.

Free School Meal Eligibility

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. Your child is eligible for free school meals if you're in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, before benefits are taken into account.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than
- £16,190

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. Please contact the school office if you require any assistance.

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 NYC website -[Free school meals | North Yorkshire Council](#).

Updated Guidance from the DfE regarding unauthorised leave of absence

Please be advised that there have been some legal changes to the guidance that schools must follow with regards to unauthorised leave of absences during term time. The penalty amounts have been increased and also the introduction of possible legal intervention. Please see below the information from the DfE.

For unauthorised Leave of absence taken within a three-year rolling period, Penalty Notices will be issued as follows:

- *The first Penalty Notice issued to a parent in respect of a particular child will be charged at £160 if paid within 28 days, this will be reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days.*
- *A second Penalty Notice issued to the same parent in respect of the same child will be charged a flat rate of £160 if paid within 28 days.*

PLEASE NOTE:

- ***A third Penalty Notice cannot be issued to the same parent in respect of the same child within 3 years of the date of issue of the first Penalty Notice.***
- ***In a case where the national threshold is met for the third time (or subsequent times) alternative action will be taken. This will include considering prosecution but may include other tools such as one of the other Legal Interventions to address poor attendance.***

As always, any leave of absence other than illness, must be requested in advance by completing a form to the headteacher. These forms are available from the school office.

Contacting the teaching staff

l.tokarski@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk

l.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk

l.hall@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk

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.