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<u>Newsletter</u>

Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 28th September 2023

KS1 Multi-skills

Last Friday afternoon, children in years 1 and 2 went to Caedmon College in Whitby to take part in a multi skills event along with many other schools from the local area. During the afternoon they took part in a variety of activities including throwing, jumping and running. The children had a lovely time and enjoyed the experience.

Cross Country KS2

On Monday, the junior class took a trip to Whitby Sixth Form to take part in the first annual Cross Country event. They ran their socks off and made us proud. Well done everyone!

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival will take place at St Hilda's Church in Egton at 2,30pm on next Friday, 6th October. Parents/carers and families are very welcome to attend the service. We are once again collecting donations for the Whitby Food Bank this year and this will form the basis for our Harvest Display in Church. If you feel you are able to donate a small offering, please bring it into school at any time from now until the Harvest Festival. A complete list of items which are needed by the foodbank can be found <u>HERE</u>. Please could we ask that only dry goods/non perishable items are brought in. Thank you in advance for anything you feel you can contribute.

Bag2School Collection - Tuesday 17th October

Bag2School will be collecting from Egton School Field Shelter on Tuesday 17th October at 9.00am. Thank you so much in advance for your support.

By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to <u>http://uk.bag2school.com/</u> for full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

Please just use a bin bag or other large bag and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Children In Distress 'Love in a Box' Appeal 2023

We will once again be supporting the above appeal for this charity this November. Leaflets have been sent home. If you would like to take part, please send in your filled shoebox/drawstring cloth bag, in a sealed carrier bag with the £2 delivery donation into school NO LATER THAN

WEDNESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER. The boxes/bags will be collected by a Children In Distress representative on Thursday 16th November. Thank you for your support with this worthy project.

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.

We have been asked to share the following information with you:

Whitby Music Centre will be holding an Open morning this Saturday (30th). We run a number of musical groups every Saturday morning catering for woodwind, brass and strings. We have groups for beginners (if a child can play just five notes they can join us) and then all levels up to very advanced. Adults are very welcome and many already come.

- 9.30 -10.45am: Whitby Training Band (beginner Brass & Woodwind)
- 9.30 -10.45am: Esk Valley Concert Band (advanced Brass & Wind)
- 9.30 -10am: Starter Strings (for beginners)
- 10.00 -10.30am: Improver Strings (all ages welcome)
- 11.00 -12.15 pm: Whitby Area Band (more experienced players)
- 11.00 -12.15 pm: Jazz Collective (playing jazz and big band music)
- 10.45 -12pm: String Ensemble (all ages and abilities welcome)

Free Violin Lessons from Whitby Music Centre

Whitby Music Centre is offering violin lessons for a year for any pupil in years 3,4,5 or 6. FREE tuition

FREE instrument hire

FREE music

Lessons are at 9.30 - 10.00 on Saturdays at Caedmon 6th Form every week during school term time. Lessons are in small groups, and spaces are limited. If you are interested, contact <u>Bob.Butterfield@northyorks.gov.uk</u> to secure your place.

York's Chocolate Story

We hope your pioneering chocolatiers are excited for the upcoming trip to York. Please remember to let us know by Monday should your child/children require a packed lunch from the kitchen. This will be a cheese sandwich, piece of fruit and chocolate crispy cake at a usual cost of £2.80. Please remember children will need to be at school for 08:00 on Wednesday morning to allow time for the toilet etc. before the bus departs at 08:15.

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.

Swimming & Forest School

Next Thursday, 5th October will be our next forest school session for Juniors. The following Thursday, 12th October will be the next swim session. Please can we remind parents that earrings cannot be worn during sports or swimming.

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	12/10, 26/10, 16/11, 30/11, 14/12
Forest School	5/10, 19/10, 9/11, 23/11, 7/12, 21/12
Whole school trip to York Chocolate Story	04/10
Harvest Festival	6th October 2.30pm
Y5/6 Rugby Training, Whitby Rugby Club	13/10
Y5/6 Tag Rugby, Whitby Rugby Club	19/10
KS2 Cross Country Whitby Sixth Form	27/10
Y5/6 Sportshall Athletics	17/11
School Photos	07/12
Parent Consultations - further info to follow	24/10 and 26/10
Nativity Carol Service - St Hllda's church Egton	21/12 at 6.30pm

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,

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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

I.tokarski@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk I.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk g.robertson@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

<u>Attendance</u>

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 -<u>Free school meals | North Yorkshire County Council</u>.

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.

Music Lesson

We continue to have music lessons provided by the County Music Service at School. There has been a flyer shared with you in school bags this week for this service. Should you wish to take up Instrument lessons, please get in touch with Buffy at School who can arrange this for you. To find out more, please view www.northyorkshiremusichub.co.uk