

Friday 5th September 2025

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Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers.

I hope you had a wonderful summer and enjoyed the sunshine. We are delighted to be back and catch up with everyone and hear all the holiday news!

We give a big welcome to our new children and their families in Reception: Lily, Katie, Mabel, Rosie, Angus, Lucy, Oliver, and Luna. We have enjoyed welcoming you to our school family this week and look forward to working with you all.

We also give a big welcome back to Miss Hall as EYFS/KS1 teacher covering Mrs Thompson's maternity leave this year.

We are delighted to share with you that Mrs Thompson gave birth to Frederick George Thompson on the 18th August weighing in at 8lbs and 5oz! Huge congratulations to Georgie and Max.

We also give a warm welcome to Danni Simmons who joins the team as our new school cook and mid-day supervisor. A huge thank you and farewell to Julie Owen who left the Catering service over the summer holidays.

Peat Rigg Family Fun Day - Next Saturday - Book Now!

We are really looking forward to our family fun day at Peat Rigg. Don't miss out, there are a few places still available. Please contact the school office to secure your places.

Places now available for older siblings!

We have some places left and are now opening those up to older family siblings who no longer attend our school but would like to take part in the fun day.

Peat Rigg has generously offered a fundraising day for our Federation on Saturday 13th September. Places are limited to 15 for each school for the children and parents currently attending Egton and Danby Primary Schools. Please email admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk to reserve your places for active participants as places will be issued on a first come first served basis. Parents must attend with a participating child even if not participating themselves. Minimum age 7yrs old. £35 per participant (child or adult).

Please note that our final numbers need to be confirmed early next week.

Arrival times and parking

Whilst we are loving that everyone was very keen to return to school this week, please can we remind you that children should not enter school or be dropped off before 8.40am when a member of staff is on duty at the Children's Entrance Gate. Thank you.

Please can we also remind you that when parking or dropping off the yellow zigzags should be avoided. Thank you.

Wednesday Fun Club

Wednesday fun clubs commences next Wednesday, 10th September from 3.30pm - 4.30pm. There is no charge for this and it is available for all children to join in. Please note that if children stay later than 4.30pm and join After School Club, you will be charged £5.50 which is the cost of After School Club for a 2 hour session. This will be charged via your child's ParentPay account.

Wednesday Fun Club will run each Wednesday of this half term finishing at the end of October. Fun clubs will then restart after Easter. After School Club continues to run throughout the academic year.

School Meals Pricing

Please note our school meal costs will increase to £2.90 with effect from September. We have tried to keep them the same cost for as long as possible but due to ongoing cost increases, the decision has been made to increase them by 10p to help cover the shortfall but still keep them affordable.

Advanced Notice After School Club

Please note on Monday 29th September, After School Club will be available until 4.30pm only due to staff training.

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A huge thank you to everyone who donated to, organised, helped and supported our Tombola Stall at Egton Show. We raised the grand total of £505!

School Term Dates

The list of term dates for the academic year 2025-2026 can be found HERE.

School Dinner Menu

Please click <u>HERE</u> for the Autumn 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 <u>HERE</u>.

Diary Dates

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

Swimming - whole school	11th, 25th Sep, 9th, 23rd Oct
Forest School Infants	18th Sep, 16th Oct
Forest School Juniors	2nd Oct
Half term	Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October
Christmas Holidays	Monday 22nd December - Friday 2nd January
Teacher Training Day	Monday 5th January 2026
Children return to school	Tuesday 6th January 2026

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

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).

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.

Adverse weather conditions

Just a reminder that last week we sent out a reminder of our school policy in the event of adverse weather conditions. We are also asking that everyone completes a 'Safe place' form so that we have an alternative place logged 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

Tax Free Childcare

Egton School has registered to enable you to have access to Tax Free Childcare for wraparound care at school. Our wraparound service covers both Breakfast Club and After School Club as they are chargeable. For more information on how this works, please use the link below. It would be helpful if you could let us know if you plan to pay for your childcare this way so we can keep an eye out for payments.

Tax-Free Childcare

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

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

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

I.tokarski@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk I.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk g.thompson@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@eqton.n-yorks.sch.uk . If we do not hear anything from

you we will give Thank you.	you a ca	II to check	everything	is okay a	as part of our	safeguarding	procedures.