

Friday 8th March 2024

<u>Newsletter</u>

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a super busy and exciting week we have had this week!

We had a fabulous time at Beamish Museum on Wednesday for our 150th birthday celebration trip funded by the Egton Show Committee. I would like to say how amazing the children were to take out, they looked fantastic and their behaviour was exemplary and commented on by a number of members of the public whilst we were out and about. Thank you to Mrs Tokarski and all the staff for organising.

On Thursday, we rolled into World Book day and enjoyed a series of stories and activities throughout the day as well as enjoying dressing up for the second day running! A huge thank you to Whitby Bookshop for coming out and running our Book Fair for us and enabling everyone to go home with a special World Book Day book.

Peat Rigg Parents Meeting

By popular request, we will be holding an informal information meeting for parents of Year 3 and 4 children to talk about the upcoming Year 3 and 4 residential trip to Peat Rigg that is scheduled for Wednesday 24th April - Friday 26th April 2024. The meeting will be held on Monday 18th March at 3.30pm in school. Children are welcome to attend.

Science Week and Red Nose Day Friday 15th March

On 15th March we will be joining our friends at Danby School for a visit to a planetarium as a part of Science Week. It will be non-uniform and bake sale day to raise funds for Red Nose Day. We have activated a direct donation via ParentPay to send your donations directly to the charity. The charity will receive 99.25% of your donation.Donations of cakes may be brought to school the day before or on the morning to take with us to Danby. Thank you. A separate information email has been sent out with further details.

Hockey Tournament at Whitby Sixth Form

On Thursday afternoon, a group of 8 children from Years 3 and 4 went to Whitby Sixth Form to take part in a hockey tournament with other schools in the area. They had a great time and all tried very hard in their matches finishing in 9th place overall. Well done to everyone who took part.

FOES - Non-Uniform Day - Friday 8th March

Thank you to everyone who donated for our non-school uniform day today, it is much appreciated. The next FOES meeting will be on Thursday 14th March at 3.30pm

Don't forget...our next Bags to School Collection is on 20th March. Please bring your bags into school the night before or before 9am that morning. Thank you.

'Mothering Sunday on a Monday' Service

We will be holding a special service led by the children on Monday morning for Mothering Sunday. All are welcome to join us at St Hilda's Church, Egton at 9.15am followed by coffee back in school.

FOES Easter Bingo

FOES are pleased to be holding the annual Easter Bingo at Egton Village Hall on **Thursday 21st March**.6.30pm eyes down. Please find attached a form for your completion if you would like to go. This event is open to the public and so we would like to see as many people there as possible!

As refreshments are provided, we would appreciate it if you could register your interest via the attached form in order that ample refreshments are provided.

Easter Bingo Form

Home to School Travel Policy Consultation

On Monday, the Council commenced a consultation on proposed changes to the Council's Home to School Travel Policy. We have been asked to share this information with you. The necessary information can be found on the Council's website <u>HERE</u>.

There is an online survey form where you can note your responses to the consultation and details of engagement events that will be held during the course of the consultation period.

The consultation closing date is Friday 12 April.

Easter Disco

The Friends of Danby School are hosting a children's disco for local children at Danby Village hall on Friday 22nd March 4-5pm. Children from Egton School are invited to attend. Tickets are £4 and include a hotdog and drink. Further information can be found on the poster attached to the newsletter email.

NSPCC Information

Please find a letter attached to the newsletter email. Over the coming weeks we will be taking part in the NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. Programme.

Reading Volunteers

We are part of a project to develop our love of reading.

We are looking to recruit some Community Book Volunteers in school as part of our project, to help us build up a community of readers. Please do get in touch if you would be interested in visiting us once in a while to share stories. Please note: subject to statutory safeguarding checks.

Do you know someone interested in training to become a teacher?

The Esk Valley Initial Teacher Training is taking applications for Initial Teacher Training for those that wish to become primary school teachers. Working in partnership with York St John University, the Esk Valley school-centred (School Direct ITT) primary programme is committed to delivering outstanding education and training that is current and relevant. With Esk Valley ITT you will work as part of the teaching team from day one, (similar to student medics in hospitals) learning from experienced, practising colleagues and immediately putting your new skills into practice. We serve Whitby, Scarborough and Ryedale and enable you to 'Live Local, Train Local and Teach Local'.

Requirements:

Undergraduate degree 2:2 upwards GCSE Grade 4 or above (C) in English, Maths and Science For more information: Esk Valley Teacher Training Course https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/ Or contact: Liz Orland, Headteacher, Egton CE School, Tel: 01947 895369

Forest School

Next Thursday will be the Juniors' turn for Forest School. Please ensure the children bring their wellies, waterproofs and are wrapped up well with hats, gloves, scarves etc.

School Term Dates

The list of term dates for the academic years 2023/2024 can be viewed <u>HERE</u> and 2024/2025 <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.

Forest School Dates [Infants]	21/03
Forest School Dates [Juniors]	07/03
Swimming Dates [Thursdays]	14/03
Mothering Sunday on a Monday Service!	Monday 11th March at 9.15am St Hilda's, Egton
Bag2School Collection	Wednesday 20th March
Easter Bingo - FOES	Thursday 21st March at 6pm
Easter Service	Friday 22nd March 9.15am at St Hilda's, Egton
Easter Holidays	Monday 25th March - Friday 5th April
Teacher Training Day	Monday 8th April
Children return to school for Summer Term	Tuesday 9th April

Next week, I will be at Danby on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and at Egton on Monday 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 the Spring Term school menu <u>HERE</u>. 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.