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Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020,

Dear Parents & Carers,

### **Handwashing and Sanitising**

Thank you to those of you who have alerted us to the fact that the children are starting to get sore hands from the additional handwashing they are doing at school. We are using a mild moisturising handwash and we have approximately three additional hand washes through the day on top of the children's usual toilet and lunchtime handwashing routine - depending on activities. We have talked to the children about the importance of rinsing the soap off properly and drying their hands properly which we think are the main contributing factors to those getting sore hands. We will be reinforcing the importance of doing this in school but would appreciate it if you could also have that conversation with your child. Thank you.

We have been advised by our NYCC Health and Safety advisor that children should not bring their own hand sanitiser or liquids into school. Hand sanitiser is not used by the children in school unless we are in a circumstance such as Forest School, where we have no access to soap and water. It is also a requirement that we hold the COSHH safety data sheet for every different liquid in school.

If your child is having significant issues due to a skin condition, please complete the Medication Form from our website to allow us to administer any necessary medication. The form can be found [HERE](#).

### **Parent Consultations**

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, parents evenings will be in the form of a telephone call or a Zoom call. These will take place next week on Monday to Thursday from 3.40pm. If you haven't already done so, please email Kelly at [admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk) to book your parent consultation time slot. Appointments will last no longer than 10 minutes. Please state your preference on your email. For those of you who have already contacted us to request an appointment, you should have received an email with your allocated appointment times earlier this afternoon. Thank you.

## **Harvest Festival Service and Food Bank Collection**

Sadly, this year we will be unable to hold our family Harvest Festival Service in church so instead we will be having a Children's harvest service, led by Rev Paul, in our collective worship. We will be collecting for Whitby Food Bank once again and are asking for donations of non-perishable dried and tinned foodstuffs. You can find a list of items currently urgently required below. There will be boxes kept outside the school reception for the children to leave their donations in. These will then be quarantined before being passed onto the foodbank.

### **Items the Foodbank urgently require;**

<b>Tins</b>	<b>Drinks</b>	<b>Packets</b>
Soup	Tea	Cereal
Baked Beans	Coffee	Porridge
Vegetables	Juice	Rice
Potatoes	Milk	Pasta
Meat		Pasta Sauces
Hot Dogs		Instant Noodles
Spaghetti	<b>Other</b>	Sauces
Fish	Deodorant	Jellies
Custard	Soap	Instant Whip
Milk Puddings	Toilet Paper	Puddings
Fruit	Shampoo	Custard
Fray Bentos Pies	Toothpaste	Sugar

We are delighted to announce that Egton School is to be a designated a local collection point for Whitby Foodbank, so please do spread the word! Posters will be going up shortly. The collection point is a plastic box located at the front of school. The foodbank has been widely used over the last few months as I'm sure you'll appreciate and has been a valuable support to families throughout our locality.

### **Collection of Children after school**

If your child/children will be collected by someone other than parents at the end of the school day please could you let the school office know. If we are unsure we will always contact parents before letting a child leave school with someone else, even if it is someone we know. Thankyou.

### **Bringing items into school**

Due to the current Covid-19 situation and as per our parent guidance sheet, we are trying to limit the amount of items transferred between home and school. Therefore we ask that items such as birthday cakes are not sent into school without prior discussion with the Headteacher. Any such items will need to be quarantined for 72 hours in school before we can share them with the children. We are unable to share homemade cakes with the children at the moment. Thank you.

## **Bag2School**

We are pleased to announce that the Friends of Egton School, has organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for the school. This collection will take place on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November**. As we are unable to currently store the bags in school they will need to be brought to school before 9am on the morning of the 11<sup>th</sup> November. Please make sure that the bags are sealed and left in the front garden. Thank you.

Bag2School is the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 it has now paid out over £36 million.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for Egton School PTFA, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However it is a fact that as a nation we still send 350,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

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 (see below list). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

We will be sending home a donation bag in due course but if you fill the donation bag and still have more, then you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Please observe social distancing rules when dropping off your bags.

Bag2School collect the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE (Any unsuitable items will be refused)

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys

- Household linen, curtains, towels, bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

The following items WILL NOT be accepted:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

In the event of inclement weather please protect your Bag2School bags by making sure they are tied up securely and water tight. Thank you.

### **Dates for the diary**

<b>Parents consultation calls</b> From 3.40pm each day	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2020 Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2020 Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2020 Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2020
<b>Break up for Half Term</b> <b>Return to School</b>	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2020 at 3.15pm Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2020 at 9am
<b>Forest School - Infants</b>	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> November
<b>Bag2School Collection</b>	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Liz Orland  
Head Teacher