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# Newsletter Friday 19th July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Here we are at the end of the 2023-24 academic year! I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents, families, staff and children for all of your support this year and wish everyone a wonderful summer holiday whatever you are doing.

### **Whole School Federation Day**

On Wednesday the whole school went to Egton School to join together for a 'Greek/Olympic Federation Day'. We all had a wonderful morning learning about Greek traditions and taking part in Greek themed activities including a food tasting session, plate decorating and creating our own Olympic medal. Lunch was a delicious buffet picnic that was prepared by the cooks from both Egton and Danby Schools. In the afternoon, the children took part in a mini Olympics including hurdles, discus and javelin, and had great fun in the sun!

#### Leavers

On Monday, the Year 6 children from Danby and Egton Schools were treated to a day out at York Maze for their leavers trip. They had such a fun day and enjoyed it immensely. This morning we had a special leavers service where we saw some fabulous 'growing up' photos of the children that their parents had sent in to us and the children were presented with a Bible, National Book Token and the traditional, Danby School teddy bear as a reminder of their time at Danby School. We all wish Ivy, Ariadne, Elfriede and Edward all the best for the future!

We have also said farewell today to Stirling and Odhran, and wish them luck on their adventures to new schools.

#### Whitby Town Football Club Season Tickets

Whitby Town FC have given a free Season Ticket for each child in the school which they will be bringing home today. This ticket will allow access to every child for every home game in the 2024-25 season as long as they are accompanied by a fee paying adult. They would also have the opportunity to have their photograph taken with Scampi Skipper, our new Club Mascot, who has quickly become a firm favourite with younger supporters.

Please click here for the fixture list.

# Summer Holiday Activity Information we have been asked to share with you:

# **Children's Art Workshops**

Nature and clay...

https://www.instagram.com/p/C9FstjlskS\_/?igsh=MTRibmR1d3NvMnZkdg==

Wednesday morning clay workshops...

https://www.instagram.com/p/C9Eg-68tdpB/?igsh=MW5vbDZ5ZnJsbHpwZw==

The events can be booked through eventbrite:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/mana-hub-whitby-85805945353

# **Whitby Cricket Club Summer Sessions**

We have been asked to let you know about some 'Enjoy Cricket' courses planned for 3 days in the summer holidays at Whitby Cricket Club.. They are OPEN TO ALL.

There are 2 courses. The one in the mornings is for younger players using softballs. Then in the afternoon there is a course for slightly older players using hardballs. Both should be LOTS OF FUN and are run by experienced, qualified coaches.

For further details parents should ring Ricky Hall on 0795 092 2112 or fill in the <u>attached form</u> and email it to <u>whitbycciuniors@gmail.com</u>.

#### **National Literacy Trust**

The National Literacy Trust are running two free events in Whitby this summer for children aged 7-11. There will be arts, crafts, stories, and poems at Whitby Library. Join in for free to make your own zine or get involved with the Word Wizards games and poetry workshop. You can find the full schedule of events at

https://literacytrust.org.uk/communities/yorkshire-coast/storycraft-summer/

Please click here for an information leaflet.

Loved your first event? Keep on coming! Join us for both events to win an Amazon gift card.

#### **Summer Voucher Book from Yorkshire Attractions**

We have been asked by Yorkshire Attractions to share the following with you:

We're pleased to share with you this year's Summer Voucher Booker from Yorkshire Attractions. Following your feedback from last year, we have decided to go with a fully-digital edition.

The voucher contains discount vouchers for a variety of attractions throughout Yorkshire, for use during the Summer holidays and beyond. It also includes adverts and listings for upcoming events in the region.

The booklet can be viewed here:

https://yorkshireattractions.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/YAG-Voucher-Booklet-2024-Online.pdf

#### Academic Year 2024-25

On Monday 2nd September we are having a staff training day. Children return to school on Tuesday 3rd September for the Autumn Term. We will let you know dates for swimming and forest school etc during the first week back in September.

# Alix Lillie Music Lessons - September

Mrs Lillie will have some spaces for music lessons in September. If you would like more information or to reserve a place for your child, please contact her directly via email allixhoste@hotmail.com.

# **Future Dates for your diary**

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Please click here for 2024-25 term dates.

In the first week back all staff will be training at Danby School on Monday. On Tuesday I will be at Danby School in the morning and Egton in the afternoon. I will be at Egton Wednesday and Friday and Danby on Thursday.

Have a super summer holiday, let's hope this sunshine stays with us! See you in September! 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).

#### **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 **01287 660345** or by email to admin@danby.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

#### **Tax Free Childcare**

Danby 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 sunshine club sessions as they are chargeable. Please on the link below for more information on how it works.

https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare

# Free School Meal Eligibility

We are sharing this information with you again as it has recently been updated. Please contact the school office if you would like any help.

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.

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.

#### My NameTags - FODS fundraiser

We have signed up to a company called 'My Name Tags' who produce personalised name stickers/iron on stickers to label clothing, shoes etc. It's very easy to use and saves a lot of time writing names in everything! All you have to do is click on the link below to enter the website, create the stickers and then put the unique school ID in the box under the 'Shipping Details'

during checkout. For every order placed, we will receive 24% commission for the FODS account. If you have any questions, please speak to Sarah in the school office.

https://www.mynametags.com/

School ID is 22782.

### Easy fundraising

We are registered with easyfundraising.org.uk which gives the Friends of Danby School donations if you shop online and sign up to support Danby Primary School. You can also use easyfundraising when booking your holidays and raise big donations for us FOR FREE! Plus book with TUI in January for a chance to win back the value of your holiday!

Please visit our easyfundraising page at:

<u>Danby School Easyfundraising</u> and click 'join us'. 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 Council. However a watch and small stud earrings may be worn on a daily basis but must be removed for PE.'

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.