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Friday 10th March 2023,

Dear Parents & Carers,

Well what an end to the week! We hope that, although it was disappointing to miss out on our planned trip today, the children have had some fun in the snow! The trip to Danby Moors Centre has been rearranged for Wednesday 22nd March, so let's hope that's the last of the snow!

Bag2School Fundraiser

We will be having a Bag2School Collection on Tuesday 14th March and bags will need to be dropped off at the front of the school by 9.00am that day please. We sent the bags home with the children last week but it is also possible to use a black bin liner. Further information about what they accept can be found on the website following the link below:

https://bag2school.com/

Red Nose Day - Friday 17th March

We will be raising money for Comic Relief by taking part in Red Nose Day again this year. Our team of Year 6 Fundraisers have put together the following activities for the children to take part in:

- Pin the Red Nose on The Teacher (a picture of, not the actual teacher, I hasten to add!)
- An Obstacle course
- Pass the Red Nose

We will also be having a Non-Uniform Day where we ask that the children & staff come wearing something Red and/ or Funky for a suggested small donation of £1. (Please don't worry if you have nothing red to wear, any non uniform is okay!)

Congratulations

We are delighted to be welcoming Mrs Elizabeth (Buffy) Asquith to the role of School Administrator. Buffy will be joining the team officially after Easter but many of you may meet her over the coming weeks on one of her induction days. She is looking forward to getting to know everyone and joining the school family.

Easter Bags

Over the next few weeks, your child will bring home one of our Easter Bags for the night. Inside is a selection of Easter stories and a prayer to share. Children are invited to pop something in the Easter Book. Please return to school for Collective Worship the next morning. Thank you.

Teaching Union Action

I can confirm that Egton School will remain open for 'business as usual' on the national strike action days next week.

Year 3 & 4 Hockey Tournament - Postponed

Following the decision made by Secondary school staff to postpone this week's Hockey due to the weather forecast, we now hope to take part on Tuesday 28th March. Further details to follow, by email, nearer the time.

Mothering Sunday Service - Monday 20th March

We will be holding our annual 'Mothering Sunday on a Monday' service in St Hildas Church, Egton on Monday 20th March at 2.00pm. All welcome.

Free Parenting Training Available

Solihull Approach online parenting courses are FREE for all North Yorkshire parents, carers and foster carers. Visit the website: www.inourplace.co.uk and add the access code NYFAMILIES

Courses include: Understanding your baby, Understanding your Child, Understanding your child with additional needs, Understanding your teenager and Understanding your child's mental health.

FOES Meeting and Events

FOES Movie Night

This will now take place next Thursday 16th March. If you have already completed the form to book a place and there are no changes to the details then you do not have to do anything. If your child was not able to attend on Thursday, but would now like to attend please email the school office to book a place. Any outstanding money must be sent into the school office, in a sealed named envelope, by Wednesday 15th March please.

Non Uniform Day - Friday 24th March

We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 24th March. Instead of the usual monetary donations, we would appreciate an Easter themed tombola prize, such as an Easter egg or Easter Craft item, that we can use at the Easter Bingo Night on 30th March.

We have also got the following fundraising events booked in on the calendar and wanted to let you know what we have planned. More details will be sent out nearer the time.

Easter Bingo - Thursday 30th March

Easter themed Tuck shop - Friday 31st March

Forest School & Swimming

We will have our next whole school swimming session on Thursday 16th March. Our next Forest school session will take place on Thursday 23rd March for the Infant Class.

School Term Dates

The list of term dates for the 2022/2023 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

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Swimming - Whole School	Thursday 16th & 30th March
Forest School - Infant Class	Thursday 23rd March
FOES Movie Night in School	Thursday 16th March 3.15 - 5.30pm
Bag2School Collection	Tuesday 14th March
Red Nose Day - Non Uniform	Friday 17th March
Mothering Sunday Service	Monday 20th March at 2.00pm in St Hilda's Church
School trip to Danby Moors Centre	Wednesday 22nd March
FOES Non Uniform Easter Fundraiser	Friday 24th March
FOES Easter Bingo	Thursday 30th March at 6pm in Egton Village Hall
Easter Service in St Hilda's Church	Friday 31st March at 2.30pm
FOES Easter Pop up Tuck Shop	Friday 31st March at 3.15pm
Break Up for Easter	Friday 31st March at 3.15pm
Staff Training Day - Children not in school	Monday 17th April
Children Return to School	Tuesday 18th April at 9.00am

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

Best wishes,

Liz Orland

Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

Healthy Snacks

Please could we ask that children bring a 'healthy' snack into school for morning break, no sweets, chocolate or fizzy drinks. Infant children are provided with a piece of fruit but may also bring in their own snack if preferred.

NYCC 'Be Aware' Campaign

North Yorkshire County Council have asked us to publicise information about their 'Be Aware' campaign. Please click on the link below to access the document.

Be Aware Information

School Dinner Menu

Please be aware that sometimes menus do need to change slightly depending on deliveries etc. The cost for dinners remains at £2.60 per meal/ £13.00 per week for the Junior Children. Children in the Infant Class receive free dinners as part of the government Universal Free School Meal Scheme. Please contact Mrs Harland in the school office to arrange payment if your child is in the Junior Class.

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>. This form can also be found on our school website.

Just a reminder that on Fridays we have an alternative choice to fish so that both the fish lovers and the fish haters can enjoy a hot meal. This will alternate between sausages and pizza and we will make the children aware the day before what option it is that week.

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.

Contacting the teaching staff

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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@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.