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Friday 14th March 2025

### Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had a super end to the week with our Federation Science Day at Egton today as part of Science Week. We have all taken part in a variety of workshops learning about changing materials through cloud dough, inventing adapted creatures to live in a range of habitats and making simulations of volcanic eruptions. We've also all had some wonderful workshops led by Ramid from Smart Scientist, who has wowed us with experiments, demonstrations and explosions! We also all enjoyed a science themed lunch courtesy of our school cooks who worked together today, huge thanks to all of the staff that made it all happen today!

### Sports Kit and Hoodies Amnesty!

A plea, we are missing quite a few items of the school sports/football kit and red school hoodies. Please could you have a really good look at home and return any items to school as soon as possible so that we have the full complement again. Thank you!

### Tuesday 11th March - Year 4 Quick Sticks Hockey Tournament

On Tuesday afternoon, children in Year 3/4 went to Whitby School to take part in a Quick Sticks hockey tournament. The children put all the skills they had learnt in the coaching session a couple of weeks ago to the test and played some fantastic games of hockey. Well done to everyone who took part!

### ParentPay Balances

Please could all outstanding balances on Parentpay be settled before 31st March 2025 to tie in with our financial year end. If anyone has any queries, please don't hesitate to contact Buffy.

### Swimming

Next week is swim week. Please ensure the children have their kits on Thursday.

### Parents Evenings - FOR ACTION

We will be holding 2 parent consultation evenings before half term on the following dates:

Monday 31st March 3.40pm - 6.30pm

Wednesday 2nd April 3.40pm - 5pm

Please complete the google form [HERE](#) to book a 10 minute appointment with your child's class teacher indicating your preferred day and time. Elizabeth will then confirm your appointment via email. Appointments will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

### Red Nose Day - Friday 21st March



Next Friday, 21st March is Red Nose Day for Comic Relief. This year celebrates 40 years of 'doing something funny for money' and we are excited to be taking part! Children may dress up in non uniform or fancy dress for the day. If you prefer, just come to school in your pyjamas but as always, please do not feel any pressure to go out and buy anything for the occasion.

During the day we will be having a cake sale so if you are able to donate any cakes for this that would be wonderful. Please bring them to school on Friday morning. The Year 6 children will also be arranging some special Red Nose Day themed activities throughout the day.

If you are able to make a donation towards the charity, we will be collecting during the day. Thank you in advance for your support.

### **Spring Stay and Play Sessions for Prospective Parents and Children**

**Do you know any youngsters who are going to be school ready in the next year or so?**

Our remaining stay and play date for this term is:

★ Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am-10.30am

Stay and Play days are for children who are not yet at school age but would like to experience an hour in our school setting with our children and staff. All children must be accompanied by an adult for each session. If you would like any further information or to book a place at one or both of the sessions, please contact the school on 01947 895369 or email

[admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk) .

### **FOES News and Activities**

#### **Egton Golden Ticket Bars - Winners!**

Well done to the Bashford Family for the family voucher to York Chocolate Story, Blossom Beeforth for the American Sweet Hamper and Noah Robson, who won the chocolate hamper. We raised the grand total of £178!!

#### **Dates for your diary:**

- ❖ **Non-Uniform Day for Easter Bingo Tombola Prizes** - Friday 28th March
- ❖ **Easter Bingo Night** - Thursday 3rd April 5.30pm
- ❖ **Easter Tuck Shop** - Friday 4th April 3.30pm
- ❖ **Uniform Swap Shop** - Friday 4th April 3.30pm

### **School Term Dates**

The list of term dates for the academic year 2024/2025 can be found [HERE](#) and 2025-2026 can be found [HERE](#).

### **School Dinner Menu**

A reminder that the school dinner menu changes after half term and will run for the rest of the Spring Term and the whole of the Summer Term. Please click [HERE](#) for the new 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 [HERE](#).

### **Diary Dates**

Please note that our calendar can be found on the school website [HERE](#). This is updated regularly throughout the term.

<b>Swimming Dates</b>	20th March 3rd April	Alternate Thursday afternoons
<b>Infant Thursday Forest School Dates</b>	27th March	Every fourth Thursday afternoon

<b>KS2 Climate Change Trip</b>	19th March	07:55am - 4.00pm
<b>National Railway Museum Trip</b>	24th March	08:45am - 3.45pm
<b>Spring Stay and Play Date</b>	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am-10.30am
<b>Parent Consultations</b>	Monday 31st March Wednesday 2nd April	3.30-6.30pm 3.30-5pm
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<b>Easter Bingo Night</b>	Thursday 3rd April	5.30pm
<b>Easter Tuck Shop</b>	Friday 4th April	3.30-3.45pm
<b>Uniform Swap Shop</b>	Friday 4th April	3.30-3.45pm
<b>Break up for Easter</b>	Friday 4th April 2025	3.30pm
<b>Bags2School</b>	Thursday 24th April	09.00am
<b>Training Day</b>	Tuesday 22nd April 2025	
<b>Children return to school</b>	Wednesday 23rd April	09.00am

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

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,



Liz Orland  
Headteacher

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**The information below has not changed but is still relevant.**

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### **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](http://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 -[Free school meals | North Yorkshire Council](#).

### **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**

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[l.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:l.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk)

[g.thompson@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.