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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, that half term went by in a flash! We are hopeful that we can look forward to warmer weather and sunshine in the spring, and get back to some of our previous activities as covid restrictions lessen. As ever, on behalf of the staff team, thank you all for your continued support. We hope that you have an enjoyable and restful week.

COVID Update

We currently have 0 confirmed cases across the whole school family. Please remain vigilant and follow the advice sent to you in the separate emails. Thank you.

Support for parents and carers with children of SATs age

The Adult Learning team are running free online courses to provide parents with the knowledge to support their child in their English and Maths year 6 SATs.

Maths support course, Tues 1st March at 18:30-20:30

English support course, Wednesday 2nd March at 09:30 -11:30 or 18:00 – 20:00

For more information and to book online.

Call Adult Learning Team on 01609 536066

Email: adultlearningservice@northyorks.gov.uk

A change to Fishy Friday

We have noticed that our school dinner uptake has increased which has been brilliant, thank you for helping to keep our school kitchen sustainable. The children are enjoying working with Julie to refine the menu. From after half term we will be making a change to Fridays and adding an alternative choice to fish fingers so that both the fish lovers and the fish haters can enjoy a hot meal on a Friday. This will alternate between sausages and pizza and we will make the children and parents aware the day before what option it is that week.

World Book Day - Friday 4th March

When we return after half term it will be the annual World book day event. Please note that although this is a national event which takes place on Thursday 3rd March, we celebrate it on the **Friday** so we don't clash with swimming on the Thursday. We would like the children (and staff) to come to school either dressed as a character from their favourite book or in their pyjamas ready for a bedtime story! Throughout the day there will be a series of story-telling activities. There will also be a book fair in school at 2.30pm run

by Whitby Book Shop where the children will be able to purchase books and spend their World Book Day Voucher. Parents are welcome to attend the book fair at 3.15pm. If you wish to send your child with money to spend at the book fair, please place it in a named envelope to hand in to the classteacher. Thankyou.

Year 3 & 4 Hockey Coaching and Tournament

If your child is in Year 3 or 4 you will have received a separate email with details of a Hockey Coaching session on Friday 4th March and a Hockey Tournament on Wednesday 16th March which the children will be taking part in. Please let Mrs Harland know if you have not received this and she will be able to resend it.

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.**

Swimming

We will be swimming next on the Thursday afternoon when we return after half term, 3rd March, travelling with Coastal and Country Coaches to Whitby Leisure Centre. This is a whole school activity. Please remember to send your child/children in with their swimming things and a towel in a bag.

School lunches

The cost of a school lunch is £2.60 per day/ £13.00 a week for all children in the Junior class. All children in the Infant class receive a free school lunch as part of the Universal Free School Meal Scheme. Dinner Money invoices were sent out recently. If you have not received one and think you should have, or you would like to discuss payment of invoices, please email Mrs Harland on admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk

Diary Dates

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

Swimming	Thursdays 3rd, 17th & 31st March.
Forest School - Infants	Thursday 10th March
Break up for Half term	Friday 18th February at 3.15pm
Return to School	Monday 28th February at 9.00am

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

Have a lovely week.

With best wishes,



Liz Orland
Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

Tea Towels

We still have a number of tea towels featuring the pupils' artwork for sale in school. They are priced at £5 for 1, £9 for 2 or £12 for 3. If you would like to purchase any of these please send money into the school office in a named envelope.

Reminder of Snow policy and arrangements

Please find our Snow and Severe Weather Policy [HERE](#).

Please watch your emails and school facebook page on icy and snowy mornings for any key messages. Thank you.

Breakfast Club

Just a reminder that breakfast club is available daily from 8am. Bookings are not always necessary. £2.50 per child including breakfast.

Covid-19 current rules on self isolation

Individuals are not required to self-isolate if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, or are a close contact of someone with COVID-19, and any of the following apply:

- they are fully vaccinated
- they are below the age of 18 years and 6 months
- they have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial
- they are not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

Instead NHS Test and Trace will make contact and advise that a PCR test is taken.

Therefore, children are allowed to come to school even if someone in their household has tested positive but only if they have no symptoms themselves.

Pupils, staff and other adults must not come into the school if they have symptoms, have had a positive test result or other reasons requiring them to stay at home due to the risk of them passing on COVID-19 (for example, they are required to quarantine).

Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be [reported to NHS Test and Trace](#).

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Further [information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19](#) is available.

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

Contacting the School Office

Mrs Harland works 9am - 2.30pm Monday to Friday. She can be contacted on 01947 895369 or by emailing admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk during those hours.

Recycle 4 Charity

We have a recycling box set up in the school reception for printer ink cartridges. Please send your old cartridges into school and help us fill the box. Once full we will send it off and raise money for school. Please note this is for ink cartridges only **NOT** toner and laser cartridges.

Music Lessons

If your child is interested in learning to play either piano, guitar, drums, voice, flute, harp, accordion, recorder, clarinet, saxophone, ukulele or penny whistle, Alex Lillie has places available. Please do contact Alex on 07837042246 or alixhoste@hotmail.com to discuss.

Piano Lessons

One of our music teachers, Shirley Smith, currently has places for more students to learn Piano. If your child is interested please contact the county music hub on 01609 532783 or by emailing countyhall.music@northyorks.gov.uk. They will be able to give you more information about costs and how to book.

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 - [Free school meals | North Yorkshire County Council](#).

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.

Hinderwell Horse and Agricultural Show committee vacancies

The committee of Hinderwell Horse and Agricultural Show are looking for an enthusiastic organised person to take on the role of show secretary. We are also looking for a main tent secretary. If you would be interested in taking on either of these roles and joining us to plan for this year's show, please contact Mary by emailing mary.harland@yahoo.com

Hinderwell Show website can be viewed by following the link [HERE](#)