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Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Infant Trip to Scarborough Spa

On Tuesday afternoon, the infants went to Scarborough Spa for a very special Teddy Bear's Picnic and concert and met up with our friends from Danby School. The afternoon included an interactive concert and all the instruments of the orchestra were introduced to the children. There was a wide variety of styles of music and the children marched around the Sun Court, playing percussion instruments and enjoying the live music. It was a super fun afternoon learning about orchestral instruments and musical skills.

Harvest and Food Bank

Our Harvest Festival service will be held on Tuesday 8th October at 9.15am at St Hilda's Church, Egton. Parents are welcome to the service and for coffee afterwards. We will be collecting for the Whitby Food Bank for our Harvest Gifts this year. Please follow the link to see appropriate items being collected currently. Items may be brought in any time between now and our service. Thank you.

Junior Forest School

Please note that the Junior Forest School will take place on Friday next week due to the Cross Country competition taking place on Thursday afternoon.

Bag2School - FODS fundraiser - Wednesday 16th October

Our next Bag2School fundraiser is scheduled for Wednesday 16th October at 9.00am. This is a great opportunity to have a clear out before the winter arrives. Your child/ren will have brought home the Bag2School bags and information today. For more information about where the items go and a list of acceptable items you can donate please visit the Bag2School website. Each child has been given a bag today to bring home to fill. If you need any more please just use bin bags. All donations can be left in the school playground just over the wall by the entrance by 9.00am on the 16th. Please make sure all bags are securely tied at the top especially if it is a wet day as any soiled items will not be accepted. Thank you in advance for your support for this fundraiser for school.

The Rotary Club of Whitby & District are once again set to organise the annual Fun Run for children, OCTOBERFEST.

This year, the event begins on Sunday 6th October at 2pm in the usual place; the Playing Fields of Whitby School (Scoresby site, near the bridge). If you would like to enter, please complete the attached entry form along with entry money (£3 per child) and leave at school reception. It is possible to enter on the day but to help with administration an early entry is preferable. Registration on the day begins at 1pm with the first race starting at 2.00pm. Every child who takes part will receive a medal. The top two in each race will also receive a shield.

In common with recent years we have given the runners a chance to earn sponsorship money for a good cause. This year the money will be split between 2 local charities; the Whitby Wildlife Trust and Whitby Hidden Impairment Support (WHISH). You will also find attached a sponsor form should your child choose to seek sponsorship for the event.

Stay and Play Dates

Our stay and play dates for this term are:

Wednesday 16th October 10.00am – 11.00am Wednesday 13th November 2.00pm – 3.00pm

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.

Free Eye Test from NHS Public Health Team

We have been asked to share the following information with you regarding free eye tests for children. The important messages from the leaflet are:

- Please take your child for a FREE eye test.
- Check this website to find your local opticians: <u>Sight Tests NHS (www.nhs.uk)</u>
- Encouraging children & young people to manage their screen time and get outdoors more often can help their eyesight.

The leaflet was produced by North Yorkshire Council's Public Health Team.

Eye Test Leaflet

Friends of Egton School

ParentPay |

As per our email earlier today, please note you can now use ParentPay to make donations and contributions to FOES under the 'Payment Items' section.

Dates for your diary:

AGM - Back to School Party and Bingo - October 10th 3pm.

Please find below some FOES fundraisers which we invite you all to sign up to...

ASDA Cash Pots - NEW

Do you shop at ASDA? Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024, every time customers shop with Asda using their Rewards app, they can choose a primary school to receive a percentage of their spend. And that's not all — every time a customer chooses your primary school, Asda will donate £1 to your school's Cashpot, plus a further £50 when your first customer shops. Our school is registered, please select us when you are shopping! Thank you.

My NameTags - FOES 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 FOES account. If you have any questions, please speak to Elizabeth in the school office.

https://www.mynametags.com/

School ID is 73781

Easy fundraising - FOES fundraiser

We are registered with easyfundraising.org.uk which gives the Friends of Egton School donations if you shop online and sign up to support Egton Primary School. You can also use easyfundraising when booking your holidays and raise big donations for us FOR FREE! Please visit our easyfundraising page at: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/egtonpsch/ and click 'join us'. Thank you.

Lost & Found

We have a couple of items in school that someone will be missing:

Black swimming goggles - returned from the last swimming session and a pair of reading glasses [found outside school after Fun Club this week]. If they are yours, or you know who they belong to, please claim them by calling or emailing Elizabeth [Buffy] on the admin email.

School Term Dates

The list of term dates for the academic year 2024/2025 can be found <u>HERE</u>.

School Dinner Menu

The Autumn Term Menu can be found HERE.

Diary Dates

Please note that our calendar can be found on the school website <u>HERE</u>. This is updated regularly throughout the term.

Swimming Dates	3rd & 17th October
Infants Thursday Forest School Dates	10th October
Junior Thursday Forest School Dates	Friday 27th September
Y5/6 Girls' Football Tournament	24th September
Juniors' Cross Country	26th September
Harvest Festival	Tuesday 8th October 9.15am St Hilda's Church, Egton
FOES AGM New Term Party and Bingo	Thursday 10th October 2.30pm onwards.
Bags2School Collection	9am Wednesday 16th October
Stay and Play for New Starters	Wednesday 16th October 10am-11am Wednesday 13th November 2pm-3pm
Half Term	Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November
School photographs	Monday 2nd December
Christmas Trip to Stephen Joseph Theatre	Tuesday 10th December

Next week I will be at Danby on Monday and Wednesday and Egton on Tuesday and Friday .On Thursday I will be in York for meetings. If you need to speak with me urgently, please contact the school office who will pass a message on.

Have a lovely weekend.

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).

School Dinner Menu

Please find the Autumn Term school menu <u>HERE</u>. Please be aware that 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.

Healthy Snacks

Children may bring a 'healthy' snack into school for morning break, no crisps, cake or chocolate please. Fruit will also be available for any child that would like some.

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

Please note that there will continue to be our free of charge fun after school club in the autumn term until October half term on Wednesdays from 3.30pm - 4.30pm. If children need to stay until 5.30pm for after school provision on these evenings, parents will still be charged £5.50 for the two hours as staff members will need to be retained during that time. Thank you.

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.

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.

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

l.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk
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

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.