

# EGTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL EGTON WHITBY NORTH YORKSHIRE YO21 1UT

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Friday 21st October 2022,

Dear Parents and Carers,

Half term already! How did that happen? We've had a fabulous start to the school year and the infants enjoyed their Stay and Play Parents party this afternoon celebrating a great start for our new reception children this half term.

### **Poppy Collection**

As always, we will be supporting The Royal British Legion by hosting a Poppy Box in school. If you or your child would like a poppy please send in a donation. The box is located in the main school reception.

### The Egton Exchange





<u>Drop</u> off unwanted items from home that others could use, or could be used as Christmas gifts.

<u>Swap</u> your unwanted items for something that you do need.

Collect any donated items that you want.

St. Hilda's Church is open every day 9am till 4pm. Have a pre-Christmas clear out and help others!

# Sporting events

# **Junior class Cross Country**

Our Junior class travelled to Whitby Sixth Form on Wednesday afternoon to take part in a Cross Country event along with children from other local schools. They all did really well and had a great time. Well done everyone!

## Bikeability

On Monday & Tuesday this week, some of our Year 5 & 6 children did Bikeability training. This took place in the school playground and on the roads in the village. They all demonstrated great cycle skills and were presented with their Bikeability certificates and badges in Celebration Assembly this morning. Congratulations to you all!

# Parent Consultation Evenings

Thank you to everyone for completing the google form in last weeks newsletter to book appointments. Appointment times have been sent out by email this afternoon.

### **Forest School & Swimming**

Our first Forest school session of next half term will take place on Thursday 3rd November and will be for the Infant Class.

Our first Swimming session of next half term will be on Thursday 10th November and is for the whole school.

### Friends of Egton School

### Jumble Sale & Bag2School

Thank you to everyone who supported our Jumble sale last Saturday whether by donating jumble or by helping out with the organisation and running of the event. We raised a fabulous £310 on the day and the Bags to School collection raised a further £90.40. Thank you!

Our next major event will be our Christmas Fair on Saturday 3rd December at Egton Village Hall.

#### **Christmas Prize Draw**

Raffle tickets have been sent home today with the children for you to buy or sell to your family and Friends. We do ask that any unsold tickets are returned to the school office so that we can sell them either beforehand or at the Christmas Fair. Likewise, if you require any more tickets to sell please let the school office know.

After half term we will be beginning to collect items for our Christmas hampers and tombola, if you have any items that would be suitable. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

### Wednesday After School Clubs

Have now finished for this season and will resume again after Easter next year.

### Wrap Around Care - Breakfast and After School Provision

Breakfast Club Provision runs from 8am until 9am at the cost of 2.50 to include breakfast of cereals, drink and toast.

After School Care Provision will be from the end of school until 5.15pm. Each hour will be £2.50. During the first hour a drink and biscuit/fruit will be available. For children staying during the second hour a snack will be served such as beans on toast or a toasted sandwich.

# **Half term events at Whitby Library**

This half term at Whitby Library we are excited to have our Pumpkin Carving competition back! Open to ALL ages so please get the whole family involved and bring in your carved pumpkins on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> or Friday 28<sup>th</sup> for judging on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> at 10am. There will be prizes for each age category, so get creative and WOW us with your designs! On Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> 10:30am-12:30pm we are having a Halloween craft session £1 per crafter. Please book early as spaces are limited.

Please <u>click here</u> to view further information about pumpkin carving. Please <u>click here</u> to view further information about the craft session.

### **PE Kits**

Just a little reminder that the children do need their PE kits in school at all times please, as PE is not always at the same time each week. While we do have a few spares in school for emergencies, these are not always suitable. They will also need their PE kit if they wish to take part in After School Sports Club on a Wednesday afternoon. Thank you. Our School PE kit is as follows:

- 1 pair plimsolls or trainers
- 1 pair plain black shorts
- 1 plain red T-shirt
- 1 dark pair jogging bottoms during the winter

The full list of school uniform can be found on our website following the link HERE

### **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 regularly throughout the term.

Break up for Half Term	Friday 21st October at 3.15pm
Return to school	Monday 31st October at 9.00am
Swimming - Whole School	Thursdays 10th & 24th November, 8th December
Infant Forest School	Thursday 3rd November
Parents Consultation Evenings	Tuesday 1st & Thursday 3rd November
St Hilda's Day Service, St Hilda's Church	Thursday 17th November 10am
Flu Vaccination Clinic	Wednesday 30th November, in school
School Photographs	Thursday 1st December

<sup>\*</sup>any pumpkins not picked up by 1pm Saturday 29th will be disposed of\*

FOES Christmas Fair	Saturday 3rd December, in Egton Village Hall
Afternoon Play Performance	Wednesday 14th December
Evening Play Performance	Thursday 15th December
Break up for Christmas Holidays	Friday 16th December at 3.15pm

I hope that you have a lovely and relaxing half term week. On our return I will be at Egton on Tuesday and Thursday and Danby on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Liz Orland Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

### **Ukraine Resources**

Obviously, the situation in the world has sadly changed over the last week or two. Some resources have been put out to enable school staff and families to support children with questions and discussions which you may find useful HERE Speaking with Children about the War in Ukraine | Schools of Sanctuary, Advice if you're upset by the news - CBBC Newsround and in the additional resource added to the email.

#### School Dinner Menu

Please find attached our school dinner menu for this term. 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 and parents aware the day before what option it is that week.

### **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 - New Link

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

### 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.

#### **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.

### Contacting the teaching staff

I.tokarski@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk
I.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk
g.robertson@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. <a href="mailto:admin@eqton.n-vorks.sch.uk">admin@eqton.n-vorks.sch.uk</a>

### **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

### 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 <a href="mailto:alixhoste@hotmail.com">alixhoste@hotmail.com</a> 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 <a href="mailto:countyhall.music@northyorks.gov.uk">countyhall.music@northyorks.gov.uk</a>. 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 -<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:

£7ph for hall only plus tea and coffee making facilities £9ph for a buffet which doesn't require the use of the oven £12ph for full use of the kitchen.

All booking enquiries should be made to Jacinth Stamp on 07423573377. Please leave a message if there is no answer and Jacinth will get back to you.