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Friday 26th November 2021,

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome

This week we have welcomed Ness Summerson and Nicola Mortimer to the staff team. Ness and Nicola will be working as teaching assistants across the school. They are joining us just in time for all the Christmas craziness which starts next week!

COVID Update

We continue to have a small number of covid cases in school (3% of the school family). Advice issued last week still stands and can be found [HERE](#). Please continue to keep us updated by emailing admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk should you receive any positive results from either a lateral flow test or a PCR test.

Christmas Fair

As you know, our Christmas Fair is scheduled for next Saturday. At the time of writing, we are planning to go ahead but with some significant changes to make us as covid safe as possible:

- The number of stalls has been reduced
- Stalls will only be down the side of the hall to allow space for distancing
- Light refreshments of bought cakes and teas will be served. There will be no hot food thus reducing the number of volunteers needed in the kitchen
- There is no homemade cake stall, donations of shop bought cakes for teas are welcomed
- The raffle will be drawn after the event to prevent overcrowding and winners will be contacted in the week following.
- Hand sanitiser will be on all stalls and on the entrance door.
- Signage to promote mask wearing and social distancing
- All our stalls have been revised to minimise contact with the customer but with a focus on activities for the children

- Limiting the event numbers to school families where possible. This event has not been widely publicised and we ask that this year you do not bring friends and wider family members
- Volunteers are free to decline if they decide they do not want to participate and this obviously extends to school staff who have already kindly volunteered to help on the day
- No Santa's grotto due to the confined space and close contact

The governors who were consulted and the FoEs committee feel that adequate measures have been taken and would love to still give our children the opportunity to attend the fair (whilst guidance and restrictions allow) as a lot of time and effort has been invested into this event. We fully appreciate that you may decide not to come along and hope that you will support our fundraising through a donation or raffle ticket purchase instead.

You should be aware that this event could be cancelled at short notice if there is a significant rise in Covid cases within school next week.

Hamper packing

Hamper packing in school next Thursday afternoon has been cancelled. Please contact Lousie or Sarah if you were hoping to help with the hamper pack. Thank you.

Adverse weather

In view of the changing weather that is forecast this weekend, please find our Snow and Severe Weather Policy [HERE](#)

Absences from School

Please could we ask that, should your child be off school due to illness or medical appointments, you contact school by telephone or emailing admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk on each day of absence. Ideally this should be by 9am. If we have not heard from you by 9.15am we will try to contact you as part of our safeguarding procedures.

FOES Amazon Wishlist

If you would like to make a donation towards the hampers for the Christmas fair, FOES have set up an Amazon wishlist with a selection of items which will be suitable. This can be accessed following the link below. You then choose the items you wish to purchase, pay for them and they will be sent directly to school, all from the comfort of your own sofa! It couldn't be easier. **A huge thank you to everyone who has supported this so far, we've never had so many deliveries!**

[Amazon.co.uk](https://www.amazon.co.uk)

Easy fundraising

Do you do your Christmas shopping online? If you do you could help FOES raise money with no cost or effort from you! 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 CE VA Primary School.

It's a really easy way to raise money – you just use the easyfundraising site to shop online with more than 3,300 well known online stores like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S and when you make a purchase, the retailer sends us a free donation, at no extra cost to you.

FOES would love to raise as much as possible for contributions towards travel costs, swimming lessons, residential trips and many more activities for the children.

Please visit our easyfundraising page at:

[Egton C of E Primary School - Whitby Fundraising | Easyfundraising](#)

and click 'join us'. Thankyou..

Breakfast Club

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

Diary Dates

Swimming	Thursday 16th December
FOES Christmas Fair	Saturday 4th December 11am - 1pm
Break up for Christmas holiday	Friday 17th December 2021 at 3.15pm

Next week, I will be in Danby on Wednesday & Friday and Egton on Tuesday & Thursday.

With best wishes,



Liz Orland
Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

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).

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

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.

