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Friday 27th January 2023,

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 3 & 4 Multiskills

On Tuesday, our Year 3 & 4 children spent the afternoon at Caedmon College, taking part in a multi-skills event. They worked on their agility, balance and coordination skills.

Everyone tried really hard and a fantastic time was had by all! Well done everyone!

Year 3 & 4 Gymnastics

Our Year 3 & 4 children will be taking part in a Gymnastics event at Eskdale School next Wednesday, 1st February. A separate email will be sent to those involved this afternoon.

Storytelling competition

Next week is National Storytelling Week, it is a celebration of the power of sharing stories. Stories teach us about the world, they allow us to step into someone else's shoes and feel empathy, they help us to relax and escape and they can help develop essential literacy skills. We have a few things planned to celebrate this.

- We are running a short story competition in school which is open to all year groups. Winners will receive a certificate and a prize. We ask that stories are no longer than one side of A4 paper so let your imaginations run wild! We look forward to reading them.
- We will be enjoying lots of different stories throughout the week from our recently updated library. We would also like to see the children's favourite stories from home and look forward to sharing these in class, we just ask that any books brought into school are named please.
- We will also be enjoying Jackanory time where the Junior children read to the Infants.

Confirmation Year 5 and 6

To enable us to know whether we need to plan a programme of summer confirmation classes and a confirmation service, **please could you let us know by email** if your child would like to be confirmed into the Church of England. Thank you.

Confirmation is the service at which children make for themselves the promises to God made on their behalf at their Baptism, usually by their parents and Godparents. It shows their desire to be committed as a Christian.

The minimum age for Confirmation is 9 years but there is no upper limit! Adults as well as children would be most welcome and we are able to pass on details of all interested parties.

Supporting Your Child with Year 6 Maths SATs

Please see the poster below for details of a course which is being run by NYCC. With Year 6 SATs just around the corner, this course will provide you with increased knowledge of SATs content and how you can support your child. Please see the attached [poster](#) for dates and how to book your place.

Part-time Administrator Vacancy

After eight years, Kelly has sadly decided to swap her laptop for a tractor! We will be very sorry to see her go and will miss the witty banter and funny stories that keep us smiling every day.

So, if you are up for a challenge or are looking for a change and would like to join our lively but happy school family, we are recruiting for a new part-time administrator starting April 2023. Further details can be found [HERE](#) or pop in for an informal chat about the role if you would like to know more.

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.

Teaching Union Action

I can confirm that Egton School will remain open for 'business as usual' on the national strike action days.

Forest School & Swimming

We will have our next whole school swimming session on Thursday 2nd February. Our next Forest school session will take place on Thursday 9th February for the Junior Class.

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 [HERE](#). This is updated regularly throughout the term.

Swimming - Whole School	Thursday 2nd February, 2nd, 16th & 30th March
Forest School - Junior Class	Thursday 9th February
Break Up for Half Term	Friday 10th February at 3.15pm
Children Return to School	Monday 20th February at 9.00am

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

Best wishes for a lovely weekend,



Liz Orland
Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

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.**

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.