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Friday 3rd March 2023,

Dear Parents and Carers,

# World Book day

We've had great fun today celebrating World Book day and enjoyed seeing a great variety of book characters! We have enjoyed a series of stories throughout the day from staff or should I say the seven dwarves! A huge thank you to Fiona and her team from The Whitby Bookshop, who have provided us with a lovely book fair this afternoon and enabled everyone to receive their free World Book Day book.

## **Parent Message**

Please can I ask parents to be mindful of both their and their child/ren's language and behaviour at the school gate. I understand that there have been a number of incidents that have reflected poorly on our school community. This is sad to hear and not at all a fair reflection of the lovely manners and behaviour that we experience daily in school.

#### **Maths Month Activity**

As part of Maths Month, there is a free family Maths and Stories event taking place at Pannett Park Art Gallery on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March 10-12. The event was really successful last year, and everyone who came along enjoyed the event. It is being delivered in collaboration with the National Literacy Trust.

Listen to fun stories, explore the art gallery, and have a go at the fun family maths trail in Pannett Park. Goody bags for all participants, plus extra prizes and books. Suitable for all primary ages and their grown-ups.

## **Mothering Sunday Service - Monday 20th March**

We will be holding our annual 'Mothering Sunday on a Monday' service in St Hildas Church, Egton on Monday 20th March at 2.00pm. All welcome.

#### **FOES Meeting and Events**

Thanks to everyone who donated to the Swap Shop on Tuesday and attended the FOES planning meeting which took place afterwards.

#### **Bag2School Fundraiser**

We will be having a Bag2School Collection on Tuesday 14th March and bags will need to be dropped off at the front of the school by 9.00am that day please. We sent the bags home with the children earlier this week but it is also possible to use a black bin liner. Further information about what they accept can be found on the website following the link below:

https://bag2school.com/

# FOES Movie Night - Thursday 9th March 3.15 - 5.30pm

FOES will be hosting a Movie night in school **next Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> March** – this will run from 3:15pm – 5:30pm. The money raised for this will go towards Playground equipment for the children to enjoy.

We will be showing Cloudy with a chance of Meatballs 2, which is a U certificate for the Infant class and Paddington, which is a PG certificate for the Junior class.

Alongside the film the children will enjoy hotdogs, chips and vegetable sticks with ice lollies to follow. There will also be popcorn served during the movie.

The cost will be £3 per child. To book your child's place, please complete the google online form found <u>HERE</u>. This should be completed by Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March with any dietary requirements and money can be sent into the school office in a named sealed envelope by Thursday 9th please.

We have also got the following fundraising events booked in on the calendar and wanted to let you know what we have planned. More details will be sent out nearer the time.

Non Uniform Day - Friday 24th March
Easter Bingo - Thursday 30th March
Easter themed Tuck shop - Friday 31st March

## **Forest School & Swimming**

Our next Forest school session will take place on Thursday 9th March for the Junior Class. We will have our next whole school swimming session on Thursday 16th March.

#### **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.

Swimming - Whole School	Thursday 16th & 30th March
Forest School - Junior Class	Thursday 9th March
FOES Movie Night in School	Thursday 9th March 3.15 - 5.30pm
Whole School trip to Danby Moors Centre	Friday 10th March
Bag2School Collection	Tuesday 14th March
Mothering Sunday Service in St Hilda's Church	Monday 20th March at 2.00pm
Easter Service in St Hilda's Church	Friday 31st March at 2.30pm
Break Up for Easter	Friday 31st March at 3.15pm

Staff Training Day - Children not in school	Monday 17th April
Children Return to School	Tuesday 18th April at 9.00am

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

Best wishes,

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

#### **School Dinners**

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 aware the day before what option it is that week.

#### Contacting the teaching staff

<u>I.tokarski@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk</u> <u>I.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk</u> q.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-yorks.sch.uk">admin@eqton.n-yorks.sch.uk</a>

## **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.

## **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

## 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.

#### Egton Village Hall

Egton Village Hall is available to hire once again, for Parties and Events. The rates for hire are as follows:

# £10ph for hall only plus tea and coffee making facilities £12ph for a buffet which doesn't require the use of the oven £15ph for full use of the kitchen.

All booking enquiries should be made by emailing villagehallegton@gmail.com. The bookings secretary will then get back to you.