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Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Parents evenings

This term's parents evenings are scheduled to take place on Monday 20th October between 3.40pm and 6.00pm and Wednesday 22nd October between 3.40pm and 5.00pm.

To make an appointment with your child's teacher, please <u>click here to take you to the online booking form.</u> Please note that once this has been completed, appointments will be allocated on a first come, first served basis and will be confirmed by email. Thank you.

Harvest and Food Bank - NEXT WEEK!

Our Harvest Festival service will be held on Thursday 9th 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.

Parent Governor Elections

Nominations for Parent Governors concluded on Friday last week, I can confirm that we had two nominations for two roles. We are delighted to welcome Anna Watson (Danby) back for another term of office and we also welcome Rosie Jones (Egton) as a new parent governor. We have a number of new governors starting with us this year you can find the full line up of our Federation Governors HERE.

KS2 Cross Country League

Last Friday afternoon, the juniors took part in the first race of this year's Cross Country league at Whitby School. It was the biggest x-country event ever with a record 523 runners taking part from 14 Primary Schools in the local area.

The children from our school all ran extremely well, showing great determination and team spirit throughout the afternoon. Well done everyone! The next race in the league is scheduled for Friday 24th October.

KS1 Multi-skills

On Tuesday afternoon, our Year 1 and 2 children had their first outing of the academic year! They travelled to Whitby to take part in a multi skills event. They had a wonderful time learning and practising skills including agility, jumping, throwing and balancing. Well done KS1!

FOES AGM and Bingo Fun - Tuesday 14th October

FOES are hosting a bingo evening at school. Please see the attachment to the email detailing a FREE children and parents Bingo afternoon with hotdog tea to celebrate the start of the new school year. We will briefly hold a short AGM at this event, so do pop along at 3pm for a brief meeting prior to play!

Jumble Sale - Saturday 11th October 9-11am

Donations of clothing, shoes, bedding, books, toys, bric-a-brac are welcome to be dropped off at school any time before this date. Any unsold clothing donations will be sent on the Bag2School collection. Refreshments including Bacon rolls will be available on the day. We would also welcome cake donations for both refreshments and a cake stall and any spare bags for life that people may have floating around! If you would be able to help on the day please let Megan, Sarah or Liz know. Thank you!

Christmas Fair - Friday 5th December Raffle Ticket Draw - Monday 8th December

Bag2School FOES Fundraiser (click here for more information)

There will be a Bag2School collection to raise money for FOES funds on Thursday 16th October. For our new parents, Bag2School is a free eco-friendly fundraising scheme that helps schools, businesses, community groups, local councils, and charities raise funds through



textile recycling as well as spreading textile recycling awareness. This is a great opportunity for a clear out before Christmas to donate any unwanted items whilst raising money for the school.

Accepted items:

☑Clothes, paired shoes, hats, belts. ties, handbags, jewellery and socks.

The following items are not accepted so please don't include these in the bags as they won't be collected:

Duvets and blankets, pillows/cushions, carpets/rugs/mats, soiled/painted/ripped clothing, school uniform with and without logo, corporate clothing and footwear, textile offcuts/yarns/threaded material, furniture/large items, suitcases, batteries, soft toys.

Each child has been given a Bag2School bag to bring home today that you may use for any of the accepted items listed above. If you need more than one bag please ask at school as there may be some spare. If not, please feel free to use a black bin bag.

Please drop off any filled bags into the field gazebo no later than 9.00am on Thursday 16th October ready for collection. Please do not over fill bags and make sure that they are securely tied at the top to avoid the items getting wet. Thank you.

Whitby & District Rotary Club Octoberfest Fun Run - *this Sunday*

The Rotary Club of Whitby & District Fun Run, "Octoberfest" will take place at Whitby School (Airy Hill site) on the school playing fields on Sunday, October 5th. There will be 5 races in total, starting at 2.00 p.m. Entries can be made on the day at 1pm. Any sponsor money received from the run can be brought into school afterwards; it is in aid of Rainbow Dreams Trust based in Cape Town, South Africa. It aims through its project, Camp Hope, to give short holidays to underprivileged township children with cancer.

Save the Date - Confirmations

Rev. Anthony has asked us to let you know that the offer is open to anyone regardless of age, grandparents, parents and wider family members wanting to be baptised/confirmed would be welcome to contact him too!

On Easter Sunday, the Bishop of Whitby, the Right Reverend Barry Hill, will be carrying out a special service for Confirmation and Baptisms. If you are interested in your child becoming baptised or confirmed please contact Reverend Anthony Tel: 07484 735284 or email anthony@middleeskmoor.org Confirmations are usually carried out with children in the upper year groups.

Autumn Stay and Play Sessions for Prospective Parents and Children Do you know any youngsters who are going to be school ready in the next year or so? Our stay and play dates for this term are:

DATE Wednesday 15th October 2.00pm-3.00pm
DATE Thursday 13th November 9.30am-10.30am

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.

School Term Dates

The list of term dates for the academic year 2025-2026 can be found HERE.

School Dinner Menu

Please click <u>HERE</u> for the Autumn Term menu. 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 <u>HERE</u>.

Diary Dates

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

9/10, 23/10, 13/11, 27/11 11/12
16/10, 20/11, 18/12
06/11, 04/12
9th October, 9:15am St Hilda's, Egton
16th October
21st October [3.30-6pm], 23rd October [3.30-5pm]
Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October
10.30am St Hilda's, Egton
21st November
2nd December
4th December 5.30pm for 6pm start St Matthews,

	Grosmont
Christmas Theatre Trip	8th December
Christmas play performances	16th December 2pm 17th December 6pm for 6.30pm
Christmas Holidays	Monday 22nd December - Friday 2nd January
Teacher Training Day	Monday 5th January 2026
Children return to school	Tuesday 6th January 2026

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

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).

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

Tax Free Childcare - Reminder

Egton School has registered to enable you to have access to Tax Free Childcare for wraparound care at school. Our wraparound service covers both Breakfast Club and After School Club as they are chargeable. For more information on how this works, please use the link below. It would be helpful if you could let us know if you plan to pay for your childcare this way so we can keep an eye out for payments.

Tax-Free Childcare

ParentPay Hints & Tips

If you would like to pay for all payment items together rather than individually, there is an option to pay for everything at once! Simply go into each payment item [on one or more children] and click 'Add to Basket' at the bottom of the screen. When everything is in the basket, click on the basket icon and pay for everything under one transaction.

Free School Meal Eligibility

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. Please contact the school office if you require any assistance.

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.

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

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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@eqton.n-vorks.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.