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Friday 4th March 2022,

Dear Parents and Carers,

Hope everyone had a lovely half term last week, this week seems to have flown by and half term already seems long ago! We have enjoyed lots of different events and activities this week. It was a delight to take Y6 out for lunch at Egton Village Hall for pancakes on Tuesday. They were a credit to the school. We enjoyed a pancake flipping competition in school and of course we had World Book Day fun today! Lovely costumes, well done everyone, great effort. Thank you to The Whitby Bookshop for our lovely book fair at the end of the day.

#### **Farewell**

We have presented Danny Leatherland with a chocolate bouquet and class cards today as he has now completed his 6 month Kickstart placement. We wish him good luck in the future.

#### **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.

## Y3/4 Hockey

Due to the poor weather conditions today the Y3/4 Hockey training had been postponed until next Friday afternoon (11th) when hopefully it won't be quite so wet!

### **Fair Trade Friday**

We are now able to resume our Fair Trade Friday Shop, hurrah! On Fridays Year 6 will resume our playtime shop where children can buy a drink and biscuit for their playtime snack. The maximum amount needed to purchase a drink and a biscuit or two will be £1.00.

Price List:

Orange Juice carton- 75p Large Double Chocolate Cookie - 25p each Small chocolate chip cookies - 10p each

### **FOES Bingo Night**

We are pleased to let you know that FOES are busy organising our fundraising for the year and they are starting things with a Family Bingo Night on Friday 8th April at 6pm. This will be held in the Village hall. Tickets will be £3 adults/ £2 children and will include a Bingo card, Hot dog supper and a drink. Further Bingo cards will be available on the night. We will also be having a Easter Themed tombola for which we would like to ask for prize donations. FOES have set up an Amazon wishlist which you can purchase prizes from and they will be sent directly to school. This can be found by following the link below. If you would like to purchase tickets please email FOES on <a href="mailto:foes\_ptfa@aol.com">foes\_ptfa@aol.com</a> with your details.

# **Amazon Wishlist Link**

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/15UDUI2DKTESV?ref =wl share

# **Car Parking**

Egton Parish Council have asked us to share the attached information leaflet on car parking for your information.

# **Caretaker Vacancy**

We currently have a vacancy for a Cleaner / Caretaker at school. The advert can be accessed HERE and is also attached to the newsletter email.

### **COVID Update**

We currently have 0 confirmed cases across the whole school family. Please remain vigilant and follow the advice sent to you in the separate emails. Thank you.

### **Forest School**

The Infant Class will be taking part in Forest School next Thursday, 10th March.

### **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	Thursdays 17th & 31st March.
Forest School - Infants	Thursday 10th March
Break up for Easter Holidays	Friday 8th April at 3.15pm
Training Day	Monday 25th April 2022
Return to School	Tuesday 26th April at 9.00am

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

Have a lovely week.

With best wishes,

Log Orland

Liz Orland Headteacher

# The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

# **School Lunches**

The cost of a school lunch is £2.60 per day/ £13.00 a week for all children in the Junior class. All children in the Infant class receive a free school lunch as part of the Universal Free School Meal Scheme. Dinner Money invoices were sent out recently. If you have not received one and think you should have, or you would like to discuss payment of invoices, please email Mrs Harland on <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.

### A change to Fishy Friday

We have noticed that our school dinner uptake has increased which has been brilliant, thank you for helping to keep our school kitchen sustainable. The children are enjoying working with Julie to refine the menu. From after half term we will be making a change to Fridays and adding an alternative choice to fish fingers so that both the fish lovers and the fish haters can enjoy a hot meal on a Friday. 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.

#### **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.

# Reminder of Snow policy and arrangements

Please find our Snow and Severe Weather Policy HERE.

Please watch your emails and school facebook page on icy and snowy mornings for any key messages. Thank you.

#### **Breakfast Club**

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

## 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).

# Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be <u>reported to NHS Test</u> and <u>Trace</u>.

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Further information on self-isolation for those with COVID-19 is available.

# Contacting the teaching staff

<u>I.tokarski@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk</u>
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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. 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

# **Contacting the School Office**

Mrs Harland works 9am - 2.30pm Monday to Friday. She can be contacted on 01947 895369 or by emailing <a href="mailto:admin@egton.n-vorks.sch.uk">admin@egton.n-vorks.sch.uk</a> during those hours.

### 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.

# **Hinderwell Horse and Agricultural Show committee vacancies**

The committee of Hinderwell Horse and Agricultural Show are looking for an enthusiastic organised person to take on the role of show secretary. We are also looking for a main tent secretary. If you would be interested in taking on either of these roles and joining us to plan for this year's show, please contact Mary by emailing mary.harland@yahoo.com

Hinderwell Show website can be viewed by following the link HERE