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**Newsletter**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a wonderful festive season, it is lovely to see everyone back in school after our break and we have had a great start back to school. This term we have some great activities and trips planned around our theme of Space and we are continuing to celebrate our 150th year, watch this space!

**Forest School**

Next Thursday will be our first forest school session of the year for our juniors. Please ensure they come equipped with hats, gloves, scarves, wellies, waterproofs etc. as the weather remains cold.

**FOES Meeting**

Thank you to everyone who attended the FOES meeting on Thursday evening, planning is in progress for our Easter Bingo, Mulgrave Castle Charity Day and the summer fair already. If you would like to get involved, please do get in touch and further details will be shared in due course. Our next meeting is on the 8th February at 3.30pm in school. Event dates see below.

**School Term Dates**

The list of term dates for the 2023/2024 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.

<b>Forest School Dates [Thursdays]</b>	18/01, 01/02, 22/02, 07/03, 21/03
<b>Swimming Dates [Thursdays]</b>	25/01, 08/02, 29/02, 14/03
<b>Valentines Tuck Shop - FOES Break up for Half Term</b>	Friday 9th February
<b>Half Term</b>	Monday 12th Feb - Friday 16th Feb
<b>Non-uniform day - collecting donations for the Easter Tombola</b>	Friday 8th March
<b>Mothering Sunday on a Monday Service!</b>	Monday 11th March at 9.15pm St Hilda's, Egton
<b>Easter Bingo - FOEs</b>	Thursday 21st March at 6pm
<b>Easter Service</b>	Friday 22nd March 9.15am at St Hilda's, Egton



Please note that there will continue to be our free of charge fun after school club in the autumn term until October half term on Wednesdays from 3.30pm - 4.30pm. If children need to stay until 5.30pm for after school provision on these evenings, parents will still be charged £5.50 for the two hours as staff members will need to be retained during that time. Thank you.

### **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.**

### **Recycle4Charity**

Recycle4Charity is an organisation set up to receive used ink cartridges. This, in turn supplies an income to charities & organisations who sign up to it. We have a ‘used ink cartridges’ box in school. Feel free to bring in your used ink cartridges to fill our box and earn some money for School! For more information about ‘Recycle4charity’, please use the link below.

<https://www.recycle4charity.co.uk/AboutUs>

### **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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:villagehallegton@gmail.com). The bookings secretary will then get back to you.