



**EGTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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### Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for being patient and supportive this week whilst we have been coping with the snow and ice. Especially this morning when the weather seemed to have ideas of its own! We hope that the new texting service has worked well for everyone. If you have not received the texts over the last few days then please do get in touch and update your contact details with us.

### FOES Christmas Fair

As per our text/email this morning, we made the difficult decision to postpone our FOES Christmas Market to keep everyone safe and sound this evening. Our annual Christmas Market is now next Friday, 8th December, at Egton School 3:30-6pm. We have some amazing local stallholders, children's crafts, cakes, Games, tombola, raffle, 'No Parents Allowed' shop, Santa's Grotto and therefore a star guest appearance of the man himself, Father Christmas! Refreshments will be available including mince pies, teas and coffees, Christmas cake and non-alcoholic mulled wine!

To abide by our raffle licence, the children have drawn the raffle in school this afternoon. We will be in touch if you were one of the lucky winners!

Reminder! The **Egton Christmas Tree Light Switch On** is at 6pm tonight to kick off Christmas!

### Whitby Museum Visit 28th November

On Tuesday, our Year 5 and 6 children visited Whitby Museum to learn about archiving and explore Egton's School's history. They completed an orienteering task, followed by looking up archived records about the school. We are very proud of how well they conducted themselves; an accolade to the school. Whitby Museum also commented how impressed they were by the children: *"thanks for bringing your group of well-behaved, interested and enthusiastic pupils to the library & archives"*. Please find Whitby Museum's blog from the morning [HERE](#).

### KS2 Athletics

On Monday our juniors travelled to Caedmon College to participate in Sportshall Athletics. They had a fantastic afternoon competing against other schools in a range of track and field events. We represented Egton School superbly and came 5th overall! Well done everyone!

### 🎅🎄🎁🎅 Santa Claus is coming to town...21st December at 5.30pm 🎅🎄🎁🎅

Prior to our Christmas Service, the big man will be making his way up the village, with a quick trip around Little Betty before coming back into the top of Egton for a quick stop at The Witching Post. He will then head down to Egton Bridge towards The Horseshoe Hotel, then along Broom House Lane before he heads back to the North Pole to get ready for the big day!

**Refreshments** will then be available from the Friends of Egton School in the church for everyone prior to the school carols and nativity. So why not wander down and have a warm cuppa before the service.

### **Christingle Service - St Matthews, Grosmont, Thursday 7th December**

On Thursday 7th December we are delighted that we will be holding our Christingle Service at St Matthews, Grosmont. The children will be making Christingles in school ready for this lovely service. Do come and join us for a short service at 6pm. Refreshments will be being served from 5.30pm.

### **School Photos Thursday 7th December**

Phototronics will be attending school to take the school photos from 9am. If you have any siblings at home you wish to bring to be photographed together, please let Buffy know by Monday, so she has time to update the photographers. Sibling/family Photographs will take place on arrival at school in the morning.

### **Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day Friday 8th December**

Due to the school photos being on Thursday, we will be holding our Christmas Jumper Day on Friday, so the children may wear their favourite Christmas jumper instead of their school jumper. Other uniform garments are still to be worn. Donations are welcome for Save the Children to help kids in the UK and around the world get the best future ever. There's more to Christmas Jumper Day than wearing a silly jumper. You'll be helping children facing serious issues like war, hunger and poverty. And this year, with so many children having a really tough time, getting involved matters more than ever. Thank you.

### **Calling all past pupils, staff and governors!**

In preparation for our 150 year anniversary celebrations this year, we are collecting copies of any photographs and memorabilia for an event later in the year. We would also be interested to receive any documented memories or recollections of times past related to school events. Please do get in touch with us if you have something of interest to share. Thank you.

### **Swimming**

Next Thursday [7th] will be Forest School for the Junior class so please remember to bring kits.

### **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>Swimming</b>	14/12
<b>Forest School</b>	7/12, 21/12
<b>School Photos</b>	07/12
<b>Christingle Service - St Matthews, Grosmont</b>	7/12 6pm
<b>Christmas Trip to Stephen Joseph Theatre, Scarborough</b>	13/12
<b>School Christmas Dinner</b>	20/12



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.

### **Music Lesson**

We continue to have music lessons provided by the County Music Service at School. Should you wish to take up Instrument lessons, please get in touch with Buffy at School who can arrange this for you. To find out more, please view [www.northyorkshiremusichub.co.uk](http://www.northyorkshiremusichub.co.uk)