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Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

'Stars in our School' day

Today we had a special collective worship for all of our lovely support staff as part of a UK-wide celebration of the invaluable contribution they make to the education of pupils. UNISON has organised the 'Stars in Our Schools' event to promote the wonderful work school support staff do every day, and to make sure the world knows just how vital they are to every school. It was a great opportunity for us to thank them for their outstanding contribution and we presented them with a special card each and some magic stars as a small token of our appreciation. School support staff are so often hidden behind the scenes but they are vital to the education of young people. Their roles are incredibly diverse, from cooks, cleaners and caretakers to teaching assistants and admin staff, we couldn't do it without them!

FOES Christmas Fair

Just a reminder that our FOES annual Christmas Market is next Friday, 1st 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 make this possible we are asking if in any way possible for parents/ carers to please donate prizes to our tombola / no parents allowed stall, into school by Monday 20th November. We also have an Amazon wish list like previous years [HERE](#). This event is CASH ONLY however we are hoping to have card machines in-time and if this is the case, we will update you all.

Following our Christmas Market why not head up to the **Egton Christmas Tree Light Switch On** at 6pm and keep the Christmas spirit going!

Whitby Museum Visit 28th November

As part of our 150th Anniversary celebrations, on 28th November, our Years 5 & 6 will travel to Whitby Museum to discover / rediscover our heritage at Egton through the Whitby Archives.

FOES Christmas Draw Raffle Tickets

Please can the ticket stubbs and money be returned to school by **Monday 27th November** to be folded and counted ready for the Christmas fair next Friday. Please ensure that your child gives them to a member of staff so no one misses out on their chance of winning the excellent prizes.

    **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.

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 [30th] will be swimming for everyone 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.

Swimming	30/11, 14/12
Forest School	7/12, 21/12
KS2 Sportshall Athletics	*date change* 27/11
Whitby Museum Archive Visit Y5/6	28/11
School Photos	07/12
Christingle Service - St Matthews, Grosmont	7/12 6pm
Christmas Trip to Stephen Joseph Theatre, Scarborough	13/12
School Christmas Dinner	20/12
School Christmas Party	21/12
Nativity Carol Service - St Hilda's church Egton	21/12 at 6.30pm

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

School Dinner Menu

Please find the Autumn Term school menu [HERE](#). Please be aware that 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 [HERE](#)

Healthy Snacks

Children may bring a 'healthy' snack into school for morning break, no crisps, cake or chocolate please. Fruit will also be available for any child that would like some.

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

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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l.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk

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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

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.

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.northyorkshiremusicclub.co.uk