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### **Newsletter**

Dear Parents and Carers,

How can we be at the end of the first half term already! It's flown by but we've had a very successful and busy half term with thankfully, very little bad weather disruption despite its best efforts yesterday!

#### **Y1/2 Gymnastics session**

Year 1 and Year 2 had a super time taking part in a gymnastics afternoon on Monday! We were able to practise our body management, floor exercises and vaulting skills. Thank you to the super Sports Leaders at Caedmon College Whitby who ran the event, everyone had a great time.

#### **Reading Volunteers**

We are part of a project to develop our love of reading.

We are looking to recruit some Community Book Volunteers in school as part of our project, to help us build up a community of readers. Please do get in touch if you would be interested in visiting us once in a while to share stories. Please note: subject to statutory safeguarding checks.

#### **National Safer Internet Day**

Tuesday was National Safer Internet Day, KS2 took part in a Live Lesson with the BBC to add to their extensive knowledge about staying safe online. They learned all about AI and how it is used in the world around us; they were also taught about some of the risks associated with AI and some strategies to lessen them.

#### **FOES**

Thank you to everyone who attended our meeting on Thursday. Plans are well underway for our Mulgrave Charity Event and for our Easter Bingo. The next FOES meeting will be on Thursday 14th March.

#### **Do you know someone interested in training to become a teacher?**

The Esk Valley Initial Teacher Training is taking applications for Initial Teacher Training for those that wish to become primary school teachers. Working in partnership with York St John University, the Esk Valley school-centred (School Direct ITT) primary programme is committed to delivering outstanding education and training that is current and relevant. With Esk Valley ITT you will work as part of the teaching team from day one, (similar to student medics in hospitals) learning from experienced, practising colleagues and immediately putting your new skills into practice.

We serve Whitby, Scarborough and Ryedale and enable you to 'Live Local, Train Local and Teach Local'.

#### **Requirements:**

Undergraduate degree 2:2 upwards

GCSE Grade 4 or above (C) in English, Maths and Science

For more information:

[Esk Valley Teacher Training Course](https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/)

<https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/>

Or contact: Liz Orland, Headteacher, Egton CE School, Tel: 01947 895369

### **Early Warning for Costumes**

Just an early warning that we have two events coming up that the children are going to be encouraged to dress up for.

We will be going to Beamish in early March, as part of our 150th year celebrations, to experience what our school was like in times past. Simple Victorian style outfits are encouraged for this day to get into the spirit of the experience!

World Book day will be on Thursday 7th March. Children are welcome to come dressed as a book character but are equally welcome to come in their pyjamas ready for a 'bedtime story' or stay in their school uniform.

### **Forest School**

The Thursday after we return back from half term [22nd] will be the **Infants'** turn for **Forest School**. Please ensure they are well equipped to be wrapped up in the cold weather including wellies, waterproofs, hats and gloves.

### **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 [Infants]</b>	22/02, 21/03
<b>Forest School Dates [Juniors]</b>	07/03
<b>Swimming Dates [Thursdays]</b>	29/02, 14/03
<b>Half Term</b>	Monday 12th Feb - Friday 16th Feb
<b>Whole School Trip to Beamish - Victorian Day</b>	Wednesday 6th March 8.30am-4.30pm
<b>World Book Day - Book Fair and dressing up day</b>	Thursday 7th March
<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 9.15am 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
<b>Easter Holidays</b>	Monday 25th March - Friday 5th April



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.