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Newsletter **Friday 12th April 2024**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had a lovely first week back despite the dodgy weather! We have welcomed Miss Calvert back to the school family as our new KS2 teacher and we have welcomed Miss Spenceley back to the infant class for her final teacher training placement this term. We look forward to the term ahead and all of the activities and events that we have planned.

Summer Clubs

We will be starting this year's After School Fun Clubs on Wednesday afternoon next week. The clubs will run from 3.30pm until 4.30pm. There will be a selection of clubs running each week such as Sports, Gardening, Arts & Crafts, Construction and Cooking. We will be allowing the children to choose which club they would like to take part in from those on offer each week rather than assigning them to one club for the term. We would like parents to complete the google form found [HERE](#) to let us know if they are happy for their children to take part and to let us know who will be collecting the children at the end of clubs. We ask that this is completed by 3pm on Tuesday 16th April. Thank you.

Swimming

Children will be swimming next Thursday afternoon, 18th April.

FODS

Bag2School

We raised £68.00 from the Bag2School collection before Easter. Thank you to everyone who donated any items.

Disco

Thank you to everyone who came and supported the FODS end of term disco before Easter. It was a great success and raised a fabulous total of £244.10! Thank you to everyone who helped with the organising and at the event.

Meeting

There will be a FODS meeting on Thursday 18th April at 2.45pm in school. Everyone is welcome to come along for a cuppa and biscuit and discuss this term's fundraising.

Church fundraiser from Sally Wilson

Family Quiz Night, with pie & peas. In aid of Church funds

Friday 19th April at 7.00pm

Castleton Village Hall

Tickets: Adults £5 Children £3 - available from Sally Wilson (01947 660190) Jane Dingle (01947 660619), Joyce Champion (01947 660511) or 'Off the Scale', Castleton.

Botany for Beginners by Carol Wilson

Carol Wilson is running a short series of botany classes for beginners over the summer months - please [click here](#) for the flyer with details. Carol held these classes a few years ago, before the pandemic and is excited to restart them. While this is for adults, it is definitely for beginners and children over 8 are very welcome to join the classes as long as they are accompanied by an adult.

Future Dates for your diary

Please note that we have added the academic year 2024-25 term dates to the link below for your information.

Please [click here](#) for the 2023-24 and 2024-25 term dates.

Forest School, Swimming dates and events will be kept up to date each term in the table below. Please could we ask for all items of clothing to be named in case of any mix ups. PE will continue every Friday afternoon and will take place outside whenever possible. Please could children have suitable outer clothing to keep them warm during the cold weather.

There are various sporting events throughout this term but as dates can change, we will let you know about these via email as and when they are happening.

Swimming	18th April, 2nd May, 16th May, 6th June, 20th June, 4th July, 18th July
Forest School Infants	25th April, 23rd May, Wednesday 16th June
Forest School Juniors	11th April, 9th May, 13th June, 11th July
Year 3 and 4 Peat Rigg Residential	Wednesday 24th April - Friday 26th April
May Day Bank Holiday - school closed	Monday 6th May
Year 6 SATS Week	Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May
Half Term	Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May
Parents Evenings - booking form will be sent	Tuesday 30th April 3.40pm - 6.30pm

out on next Friday's newsletter	Thursday 2nd May 3.40pm - 5.00pm
School photos (class and whole school)	Thursday 13th June 9am
Sports Day	Thursday 27th June 2.00pm start
Secondary School Transition Week	<u>Whitby Secondary School Partnership</u> Monday 8th July - Friday 12th July <u>Stokesley School</u> Weds 10th - Fri 12th July
Last Day of Term	Friday 19th July

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

Have a lovely weekend.



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).

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 **01287 660345** or by email to admin@danby.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

Tax Free Childcare

Danby School has registered to enable you to have access to Tax Free Childcare for wraparound care at school. Our wraparound service covers both breakfast club and sunshine club sessions as they are chargeable. Please on the link below for more information on how it works.

<https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

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.

Easy fundraising

We are registered with easyfundraising.org.uk which gives the Friends of Danby School donations if you shop online and sign up to support Danby Primary School. You can also use easyfundraising when booking your holidays and raise big donations for us FOR FREE! Plus book with TUI in January for a chance to win back the value of your holiday!

Please visit our easyfundraising page at:

[Danby School Easyfundraising](#) and click 'join us'. 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.’

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.**