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Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Tag Rugby

Our Year 5 and 6 children had a lovely afternoon on Wednesday down at St Hedda's, building on our tag rugby skills before taking part in some friendly matches with our St Hedda's friends. Great fun was had by all.

Bank Holiday

Next Monday 1st May is the May Day Bank Holiday and the following Monday 8th May is the bank holiday for the King's Coronation. School will be closed on both these days.

Whitby Schools Amalgamation

We have been asked to share with you the Statutory Proposals for the Amalgamation of Caedmon College Whitby and Eskdale School, through the technical closure of Eskdale School as a separate entity, and an increase in the published admission number of Caedmon College Whitby. Please follow the link for further information:

[Proposal to amalgamate Caedmon College Whitby and Eskdale School | North Yorkshire Council](#)

Snap Chat Warning

If your child has a phone and is a snap chat user, please be aware of the following:

There is a new feature on Snapchat called MY AI. It appears to be having general conversations with children. As part of the conversation, it may use the child's location. Although the conversation is with AI (artificial intelligence), rather than a real person, the children shouldn't be in specific danger, but the principle of it is concerning. Within the last 24 hours, there has been a roll out of this feature on all SnapChat apps, as previously it was a subscription service. It appears that if children have given location permission when using SnapChat, then MY AI can automatically use your child's location. It can only be deleted if a child has Snapchat+ (paid subscription). Although the minimum legal age permitted to use Snapchat is 13 years, many younger children do use it. To keep your child safe online it is recommended that you speak to your child about MY AI and disable the location settings in the Snapchat app.

School Cook Vacancy

Please see below the link to the County Caterers vacancy for school cook at Danby cook if you or anyone you know is interested in applying.

Strike Action

I can confirm that Egton School will remain open for 'business as usual' on the national strike action days over the next couple of weeks.

Coronation Lunch and Non-uniform Day!

On Friday 5th May, the school cook will be serving a special Coronation picnic at lunchtime for the children. This will consist of a selection of sandwiches, sausage rolls and vegetable sticks followed by Celebration Cupcakes. If your child usually has a packed lunch but would like to order a Coronation lunch, please let us know, thank you.

As part of our activities and celebrations that day, we will be having a **non-uniform day of red, white and blue clothing**. As always, please do not buy anything new for this occasion,, just something in their current wardrobe is fine. Thank you.

Forest School & Swimming

Our next Forest school session will be on Thursday 4th May for the Infant Class and our next Swimming session will take place on Thursday 11th May.

School Term Dates

The list of term dates for the 2022/2023 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	11/5, 25/5, 8/6, 22/6, 6/7, 20/7
Forest School	04/5, 18/5, 15/6, 29/6, 13/7
May Day Bank Holiday - school closed	Monday 1st May
King's Coronation - school closed	Monday 8th May
Year 5 and 6 Residential to Peat Rigg	Monday 15th May - Friday 19th May
Half Term	Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June
Last day of Summer Term	Friday 21st July

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

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).

Change of Bank Details - REMINDER

Following the successful federation of Egton and Danby School's, we are now operating under a single amalgamated federation budget as of 1st April 2023. As we already have one federation governing body, this is the next step to ensure efficient and effective working practices.

You will receive a letter, by email, this afternoon giving details of the new account details for direct payments to be made into. Please ensure that if you have a recurring payment setup for dinner money, you change the details for this with effect from 1st April 2023. Please do not use the new details for any payments made before then.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact the Egton School administrator by email.

Ukraine Resources

Obviously, the situation in the world has sadly changed over the last week or two. Some resources have been put out to enable school staff and families to support children with questions and discussions which you may find useful [HERE](#) [Speaking with Children about the War in Ukraine | Schools of Sanctuary](#), [Advice if you're upset by the news - CBBC Newsround](#), and in the additional resource added to the email.

Healthy Snacks

Please could we ask that children bring a 'healthy' snack into school for morning break, no sweets, chocolate or fizzy drinks. Infant children are provided with a piece of fruit but may also bring in their own snack if preferred.

NYCC 'Be Aware' Campaign

North Yorkshire County Council have asked us to publicise information about their 'Be Aware' campaign. Please click on the link below to access the document.

[Be Aware Information](#)

School Dinner Menu

Please find attached our school dinner menu for this term. Please be aware that sometimes menus do need to change slightly depending on deliveries etc. The cost for dinners remains at £2.60 per meal/ £13.00 per week for the Junior Children. Children in the Infant Class receive free dinners as part of the government Universal Free School Meal Scheme. Please contact Mrs Asquith in the school office to arrange payment if your child is in the Junior Class.

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](#). This form can also be found on our school website.

Just a reminder that on Fridays we have an alternative choice to fish so that both the fish lovers and the fish haters can enjoy a hot meal. This will alternate between sausages and pizza and we will make the children aware the day before what option it is that week.

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.**

Tea Towels

We still have a number of tea towels featuring the pupils' artwork for sale in school. They are priced at £5 for 1, £9 for 2 or £12 for 3. If you would like to purchase any of these please send money into the school office in a named envelope.

Contacting the teaching staff

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

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

g.robertson@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk

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

Piano Lessons

One of our music teachers, Shirley smith, currently has places for more students to learn Piano. If your child is interested please contact the county music hub on 01609 532783 or by emailing countyhall.music@northyorks.gov.uk. They will be able to give you more information about costs and how to book.

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.