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Friday 6th January 2023,

Dear Parents & Carers,

Happy New Year to everyone, we hope that you had a super Christmas break and enjoyed the festivities! As many of you already know, we have had an amazing start to 2023! Thank you for all the kind messages and congratulations this week, the staff are really appreciative.

If you missed our email earlier in the week we are pleased to report that we have now received our inspection report for the Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools, which took place on Friday 9th December. A copy is attached to this letter for you.

We are delighted to tell you that we have been graded as an '**Excellent School**' with Collective Worship and Religious Education also graded as **Excellent**.

Here are some of the highlights from the report:

'Egton is a vibrant, happy school.'

'everyone in school has a safe place to share and shine.'

'Positive relationships form the beating heart of the school.'

'Pupils are resilient and flourish...'

Many thanks to those parents, governors and friends who gave up the time to come and speak to the inspector, it was very much appreciated. This is the result of lots of hard work by staff and governors as the evaluation schedule this time round was particularly rigorous.

Again, our children were fantastic ambassadors for our school and we can be very proud of them.

Nativity Rescheduled

After consulting with the school diary and the church diary, we have been able to reschedule our cancelled **Nativity Play** to **Wednesday 11th January** (next week).

We will be undertaking both performances on the same day, one at 1.30pm and one at 6.30pm in St Hilda's church, Egton. Light refreshments will be served after each performance. Please could children be brought to church at 6pm for the evening performance.

Please could all props and costumes that may have been taken home at the end of term be returned to school on Monday. Thank you.

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 Harland 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.

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 - Whole School	Thursday 19th January, 2nd February
Forest School - Junior Class	Thursday 12th January
Rescheduled - School Nativity	Wednesday 11th January 1.30pm & 6.30pm
Break Up for Half Term	Friday 10th February at 3.15pm
Children Return to School	Monday 20th January at 9.00am

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

Best wishes for a lovely weekend,



Liz Orland
Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

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.

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.**

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

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.