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Friday 8th July 2022,

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Jonah! A fishy tale**

A huge well done to everyone for two fantastic productions of our summer play. We are super proud of everyone's confidence, singing, dancing and hard work, including all the lovely staff behind the scenes! We raised £261.07 for St Hilda's Church and #Team Seas. Thank you to you all for your support and preparation of the wonderful costumes. We're already looking forward to the next one!

### **Parents Meeting for New to the Juniors Y3**

If your child is currently a Year 2 and will be joining the Junior class in September, we will be holding a short 'Welcome to the Juniors' meeting at 3.15pm on Thursday 14th July. You are welcome to join us.

### **Transition Week**

Next week, the year 6 children will be attending transition days at their chosen secondary schools. We will be welcoming our new reception children for a couple of taster sessions during the week and all children will be 'moving up' into their new year groups for a few days.

### **Change to Next Week's Dinners**

There will be a slight change to the dinner menu next week. We will be having Chicken Korma & Rice on Tuesday and Margherita Pizza & Potato Wedges on Thursday.

### **Food Bank Collection**

The foodbank is very heavily used over the summer holidays by local families and school children and we will soon be making the last donation of the school year to Whitby Food Bank. If you are able to help us with donations please drop these into the school office before Wednesday 20th July. Further information about the food bank including a list of items needed can be found on their website: [Foodbank4Whitby](http://Foodbank4Whitby)

### **St Hilda's Church Cream Teas - Sunday 10th July**

If you are at a loose end this coming Sunday afternoon and fancy a cream tea do go along to Egton village Hall between 3pm-6pm. Cream teas will be available in aid of St Hilda's Church.

### **FEAST Activities**

FEAST brings the fun to the school holidays, offering loads of different activities for everyone to take part in. All children and young people across North Yorkshire can get involved in a range of sessions, with free places and a free lunch for children and young people on benefits-related Free School Meals. There is so much to choose from – come and take a look at what’s on at <https://northyorkshiretogether.co.uk/feast> or see the flyer attached.

### **Whole School Photograph**

You will have received a copy of the order form and photo proof last Friday. Please could we ask that these are returned to the school office no later than 8.30am on Wednesday 13th July. This will allow us time to get the order together ready to be collected at 9am. Thank you.

### **Collection for Mrs Seller**

As many of you know, Mrs Seller will be retiring at the end of this term from Egton School after 19 years. If you would like to make a contribution to Mrs Sellers retirement gift, please pop your donation in an envelope labelled ‘Mrs Orland - Confidential’. Thank you.

### **Leave of Absence during Term time**

Please could we remind you that Leave of Absence forms must be requested prior to any planned absence such as a holiday or family occasion. This academic year we have seen our absence rate rise to 9.15%. This term alone there have been 43.5 days missed from education across the whole school due to holidays in term time. As part of our robust safeguarding procedures we follow up all absences with a telephone call and email where necessary and it is a requirement that planned absences are documented on these forms. We ask that the forms are completed beforehand to help our safeguarding procedures. Thank you.

### **Fair Trade Friday**

Unfortunately, we currently have no drinks available at Fairtrade Friday Tuckshop due to supply issues. There will still be biscuits available at the following prices:

***Large Double Chocolate Cookie - 25p each, Small chocolate chip cookies - 10p each***

### **Swimming and Forest School**

Our next Forest School session will be for the Infants on Thursday 14th July.

### **Diary Dates**

Please note that our calendar can be found on the school website [\*\*HERE\*\*](#). This is updated regularly throughout the term.

As always, the Summer Term is a busy one and this one is no exception! We have updated the list of diary dates as they stand at the moment so that you can have some idea of what is scheduled. Please note that these **may be subject to change** and further details will be sent out nearer the date of each event.

<b>Transition week - Secondary and New Starters</b>	Week commencing Monday 11th July
<b>Year 6 Leavers Trip</b>	Monday 18th July
<b>Leavers Service - St Hilda’s Church</b>	Thursday 21st July

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

With best wishes,



Liz Orland  
Headteacher

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**The information below has not changed but is still relevant.**

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**Changes to measures and guidance for managing COVID-19 in education and childcare settings from Friday 1 April - UPDATED information that we have been asked to share with you from NYCC.**

Updated general national guidance can be found here [People with symptoms of a respiratory infection including COVID-19 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/people-with-symptoms-of-a-respiratory-infection-including-covid-19), which includes guidance on children and young people (aged 18 years and under) who have symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19.

Key points to note are:

**Children and young people (aged 18 years and under) who have symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19**

Respiratory infections are common in children and young people, particularly during the winter months. Symptoms can be caused by several respiratory infections including the common cold, COVID-19 and RSV.

For most children and young people, these illnesses will not be serious, and they will soon recover following rest and plenty of fluids.

Very few children and young people with respiratory infections become seriously unwell. This is also true for children and young people with long-term conditions. Some children under 2, especially those born prematurely or with a heart condition, can be more seriously unwell from RSV.

Attending education is hugely important for children and young people's health and their future.

**When children and young people with symptoms should stay at home and when they can return to education**

Children and young people with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education setting.

**Children and young people** who are unwell and have a **high temperature** should **stay at home** and **avoid contact with other people**, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare, and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.

All children and young people with respiratory symptoms should be encouraged to cover their mouth and nose with disposable tissues when coughing and/or sneezing and to wash their hands after using or disposing of tissues.

It can be difficult to know when to seek help if your child is unwell. If you are worried about your child, especially if they are aged under 2 years old, then you should seek medical help

### **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.

### **PE Kits**

Just a little reminder that the children do need their PE kits in school at all times please, as PE is not always at the same time each week. While we do have a few spares in school for emergencies, these are not always suitable. They will also need their PE kit if they wish to take part in After School Sports Club on a Wednesday afternoon. Thank you.

Our School PE kit is as follows:

- 1 pair plimsolls or trainers
- 1 pair plain black shorts
- 1 plain red T-shirt
- 1 dark pair jogging bottoms during the winter

The full list of school uniform can be found on our website following the link [HERE](#)

### **School Lunches**

The cost of a school lunch is £2.60 per day/ £13.00 a week for all children in the Junior class. All children in the Infant class receive a free school lunch as part of the Universal Free School Meal Scheme. Dinner Money invoices were sent out recently. If you have not received one and think you should have, or you would like to discuss payment of invoices, please email Mrs Harland on [admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk)

### **Breakfast club**

Just a reminder that Breakfast Club starts at 8am when staff will be in place and set up and ready to receive children. In exceptional circumstances occasional early arrivals may be accommodated by special arrangement, but we are unable to take children prior to 8am on a regular basis. The cost is £2.50 per child per session. 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.**

### **A change to Fishy Friday**

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 and parents aware the day before what option it is that week.

### **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**

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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

### **Contacting the School Office**

Mrs Harland works 9am - 2.30pm Monday to Friday. She can be contacted on 01947 895369 or by emailing [admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk) during those hours.

### **Recycle 4 Charity**

We have a recycling box set up in the school reception for printer ink cartridges. Please send your old cartridges into school and help us fill the box. Once full we will send it off and raise money for school. Please note this is for ink cartridges only **NOT** toner and laser cartridges.

### **Music Lessons**

If your child is interested in learning to play either piano, guitar, drums, voice, flute, harp, accordion, recorder, clarinet, saxophone, ukulele or penny whistle, Alex Lillie has places available. Please do contact Alex on 07837042246 or [alixhoste@hotmail.com](mailto:alixhoste@hotmail.com) to discuss.

### **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](mailto: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:

- £7ph for hall only plus tea and coffee making facilities**
- £9ph for a buffet which doesn't require the use of the oven**
- £12ph for full use of the kitchen.**

All booking enquiries should be made to Jacinth Stamp on 07423573377. Please leave a message if there is no answer and Jacinth will get back to you.