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## **Newsletter - Friday 1st April 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Parent Consultation Evenings - Spring Term**

Thank you to everyone who has made an appointment for the parents consultation evenings next week. If you haven't already done so and would like to book, please [click here](#) to access the online booking form. They are taking place in school from 3.40pm until 6.00pm on Tuesday and 3.40pm until 5.00pm on Thursday.

### **Cross Country**

Last Friday, the junior children took part in a cross country race at Whitby Sixth Form. It was a fantastic afternoon and there were 400 runners in the event!! Well done to everyone who took part. As always, you did yourselves, your parents and Danby School proud!

### **Easter Day**

On Tuesday, we will be having an Easter themed day where the children will enjoy Easter crafts, an Easter bunny hunt and a special Easter lunch cooked by Jen. If any children who usually have packed lunches would like a school dinner that day (£2.60) please email Sarah. Jen will be serving:

Roast Chicken, Yorkshire Pudding and stuffing

Roast & Mash Potato

Broccoli & Sweetcorn

Gravy

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Chocolate fudge Pudding & Chocolate Sauce

### **Easter Bingo - Wednesday 6th April 6.00pm**

Don't forget to book your tickets for the Easter Bingo next Wednesday. Tickets are priced at £3 adults/ £2 children and will include a Bingo card, Hot dog supper and a drink. Further Bingo cards will be available on the night. Please email [admin@danby.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@danby.n-yorks.sch.uk) for tickets.

We have been receiving some items from our Amazon wish list for the **Easter Themed Tombola** [Please click here to access the list](#). If you would be willing to buy something on the list, please follow these instructions:

- select items from the wish list and add to basket,

- proceed to checkout
- select the delivery address 'Sarah Buckworth's Gift Registry Address',
- check them out and then they will be delivered directly to school.

### **COVID Update**

We have had 0 confirmed cases in school this week. Please remain vigilant and follow the advice sent to you in previous emails. Thank you.

### **Changes to measures and guidance for managing COVID-19 in education and childcare settings from Friday 1 April**

As you will be aware there is a change to the Government guidance which takes effect from 1st April.

From Friday 1st April the guidance in relation to school settings now advises that:

- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days.

I hope this new guidance clarifies the situation in the event that your child becomes unwell and can I take this opportunity to thank you all for your ongoing support throughout the pandemic.

### **Diary Dates**

<b>Swimming</b>	Thursdays 7/4, 28/4, 12/5, 26/5, 16/6, 30/6, 14/7
<b>Forest School</b>	Thursdays 5/5, 19/5, 9/6, 23/6, 7/7, 21/7
<b>Easter holidays</b>	11th April - 22nd April
<b>Teacher Training Day - school closed</b>	Monday 25th April
<b>School starts for the Summer Term</b>	Tuesday 26th April
<b>Peat Rigg Residential Y3/4</b>	Wednesday 27th - Friday 29th April
<b>May Day Bank Holiday</b>	Monday 2nd May
<b>Jubilee Event - Village Hall 10am - 2pm</b>	Friday 27th May
<b>Half Term</b>	Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June
<b>Whole School Photos</b>	Monday 20th June
<b>School breaks up for Summer</b>	Friday 22nd July

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

Have a lovely weekend.

With best wishes,



Liz Orland  
Headteacher

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

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### **Village Jubilee Party**

Danby village are holding a Queens Jubilee party for anyone to attend on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022, starting at 1pm in the village hall, car park and green. Food stalls will be available.

They will be holding a “best Victoria Sponge” cake competition for everyone to enter and a drawing and poetry competition for the children which we will be contributing to as a school.

### **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](#) and [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.

### **Federation Jubilee Arrangements**

As the Jubilee celebrations fall during the half term holiday we are making a special plan for our own Jubilee celebration with both schools within our federation. A shared lunch is planned for both schools on Friday 27th May at Danby Village Hall. We very much hope to be in a position to invite parents to join us, so please do save the date and further details will follow in due course!

### **Castleton Cricket Club**

Castleton CC will be running Dynamos and All Stars cricket programmes for primary school children again this year. The programmes are accredited by the English Cricket Board and are delivered by trained coaches. Dynamos is a 7-week programme starting in May and is for children approx aged 8-11 (juniors). All Stars is an 8-week programme for children approx aged 5-7 (infants). Sessions are on Thursdays evenings at Castleton cricket pitch. All abilities welcome. If you would like to find out more or book a place, please visit:

## **Dynamos:**

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/Course/5bc82e88-03be-487d-a6db-4da62ee15b9c>

**All Stars:** <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/Course/bdf3b2e8-d953-43e4-aa3c-41560b1a49d0>

If you have any questions, please contact [castletoncricketclub@gmail.com](mailto:castletoncricketclub@gmail.com)

## **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.

## **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.**

## **Reminder of Snow policy and arrangements**

Please find our current [snow policy](#).

Please watch your emails and school facebook page on icy and snowy mornings for any key messages. Thank you.

## **Covid-19 Guidance**

For guidance of what to do if you test positive for Covid 19 or are a contact of someone who tests positive, please visit the link found [HERE](#)

## **Breakfast Club**

Just a reminder that breakfast club is available daily from 8am. Bookings are not always necessary. £2.50 per child including breakfast.

## **Easy fundraising**

We are registered with [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) which gives the Friends of Danby School donations if you shop online and sign up to support Danby CE VA Primary School.

It's a really easy way to raise money – you just use the easyfundraising site to shop online with more than 3,300 well known online stores like Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com, eBay, Boden, and M&S and when you make a purchase, the retailer sends us a free donation, at no extra cost to you.

FoDS would love to raise as much as possible for contributions towards travel costs, swimming lessons, residential trips and many more activities for the children.

Please visit our easyfundraising page at:

[Danby School Easyfundraising](#)

and click 'join us'. Thank you.

## **Coop Community Fund**

If you haven't done so already, don't forget to support Danby School in the Co-op Community Fund. If you have a co-op membership card, just log onto your account and select our cause then swipe or scan your membership card every time you shop. [Click here](#) for more information about our cause. Thank you in advance for your support to our children and our school.