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Newsletter - Friday 1st July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who came to our sports day last Friday. It was so lovely to see everyone there supporting the children. Well done to the children who put so much effort into the races, it was brilliant to see them all enjoying the occasion. Sadly the weather wasn't on our side and we had to abandon early but at least we got most of the races completed. Thank you to the Friends of Danby School for providing the refreshments and thank you to anyone who donated cakes.

School Photos

Just a reminder that any orders for the school photograph be returned to school no later than Tuesday 5th July. Many thanks.

School Play

We had a great dress rehearsal yesterday and the children are excited (and nervous!) to perform the play to you all next Tuesday. Both performances will be at Danby Village Hall on Tuesday 5th July. Everyone is welcome including extended family members and friends to either or both! The afternoon performance will start at 1.30pm. If you are unable to come to the afternoon performance, we would be grateful if children could be collected from the village hall at 3.30pm. The evening show will start at 6.30pm but please could children be at the village hall at 6.00pm so that they can be ready for the 6.30pm start. Thank you.

Please note that there is no after school club on Tuesday this week.

Infants 'Food and Farming' Walk

On Tuesday, the infants took part in a guided walk from Danby Moors Centre to Danby Castle led by the North Yorkshire Moors National Park Education Team. The theme of the walk was 'Food and Farming' and they learnt all about their local landscape and where the food they eat comes from. The walk was around 2.5km through fields and farmyards and their little legs did very well! It was a lovely morning and nice to get out into our beautiful local countryside.

Year 6 Athletics

On Wednesday afternoon, the year 6 children took part in an athletics tournament at Eskdale School. They did a number of different athletic activities including sprint, hurdles, tug of war, long jump and shot/ball throws. As always, they behaved excellently and showed great team spirit. Well done year 6's!

Diary Dates

Swimming	Thursdays 14/7
Forest School	Thursdays 7/7, 21/7
Whole School Summer Performance at Danby Village Hall - details to follow Afternoon performance & Evening Performance	Tuesday 5th July (no after school club this day)
<u>Transition week:</u> Y6 Caedmon College & Eskdale School	Monday 11th - Friday 15th July
Y6 Stokesley School	Weds 13th, Thurs 14th, Fri 15th July
Y2 move up mornings and Reception 2022 new starters mornings at Danby School	Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th July
Year 6 leaver trip	Monday 18th July
Last day of term! Y6 Leavers Service at Danby School 9.30am Teddy Bears Picnic Non uniform day	Friday 22nd July

The term dates for this academic year and the next, including professional development days, are kept up to date on our school website. [Click here to access the page.](#)

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

With best wishes,



Liz Orland
Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

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.

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

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.**

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 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.