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## **Newsletter - Friday 10th June 2022**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to everyone after the half term break. We have a very busy but exciting half term at school with lots going on! We will be sending regular email updates as things happen so please do keep an eye out for these.

### **Summer Performance**

The staff and children are in the throes of casting and rehearsals for our summer performance 'Hoodwinked' that is scheduled for Tuesday 5th July at Danby Village Hall. There will be two performances that day, one at 2.30pm and the other at 6.00pm. This week, your child will be bringing home a copy of the script so that they can learn their lines and a slip of paper saying which character they are. The play is loosely based on the story of 'Robin Hood' to give you some idea of what theme their clothing should be. Please DO NOT go out and spend money buying new things for their character - anything you have at home will suffice. If anyone is struggling or isn't sure what they should wear, please speak to your child's class teacher who will be happy to help.

If anyone has any large pieces of cardboard or cardboard boxes that we can have, please could you bring them into school ASAP so that we can start making the props. We need about 3 sheets of 1.5m x 1.5m but can tape smaller pieces together. Thank you.

Any questions, please ask.

### **FODS meeting - Summer Fayre**

Thank you so much to everyone who has offered to help with the summer fayre. We are very excited that we are able to put this on again this year and are hoping it will be a great event. It is a community event so please do spread the word among the local community. Sarah Stead is in the process of putting together a poster for us which we will display outside school, on the school's facebook page and in the village.

We will be having a meeting this coming Thursday 16th June, at school starting at **3.00pm**. If we could have as many parents as possible attending we can get everything organised at this meeting - please come along if you can, children are able to stay in school and younger siblings welcome.

In the meantime, please feel free to bring into school any donations of the following - we are very happy to store these at school prior to the fayre:

- Tombola/raffle prizes
- Pre loved toys, books, school uniform/footwear (including football boots/kit)
- Teddy for Guess the Name of the Teddy (this must be an unused teddy please)

Thank you!

### **'Come and Sing' - Whitby Pavilion**

On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June, the whole school will be going to Whitby Pavilion to take part in a 'Come and Sing' event together with a number of other schools from the local area. The event is linked to the worldwide 'Make Music Happen' Day which falls on this date as well as marking the Queen's Platinum Jubilee - so not only will the children be singing altogether in Whitby but they will be part of a MUCH bigger day of music celebration.

We will travel by coach to the Pavilion, leaving school at 9.30am and returning at 2.30pm. Jen will be providing packed lunches for children who usually have a school dinner.

### **Diary Dates**

<b>Swimming</b>	Thursdays 16/6, 30/6, 14/7
<b>Forest School</b>	Thursdays 23/6, 7/7, 21/7
<b>Whole School Photos</b>	Monday 20th June
<b>'Come &amp; Sing' event at Whitby Pavillion 10am-2pm</b>	Tuesday 21st June
<b>Sports Day 2.00pm</b>	Friday 24th June
<b>KS1 trip Danby Moors Centre 'Farm &amp; Food Walk'</b>	Tuesday 28th June
<b>Year 6 leavers service at St Martin's Church, Scarborough (children only)</b>	Friday 1st July
<b>FoDS Summer Fayre 3.30pm - 5.30pm</b>	Friday 1st July
<b>Whole School Summer Performance at Danby Village Hall - details to follow Afternoon performance &amp; Evening Performance</b>	Tuesday 5th July (no after school club this day)
<b><u>Transition week:</u> Y6 Caedmon College &amp; Eskdale School</b>	Monday 11th - Friday 15th July
<b>Y6 Stokesley School</b>	Weds 13th, Thurs 14th, Fri 15th July

<b>Y2 move up mornings and Reception 2022 new starters mornings at Danby School</b>	Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th July
<b>Year 6 leaver trip</b>	Monday 18th July
<b>Last day of term! Y6 Leavers Service at Danby School 9.30am Teddy Bears Picnic Non uniform day</b>	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.](#)

After half term, I will be at Danby on Monday and Wednesday, Egton on Tuesday and Thursday and I am attending the Diocesan Education Conference on 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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### **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.

