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Newsletter - Friday 13th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week the year 6 children have taken the 2022 Key Stage 2 SATs. They have all worked super hard preparing for the tests, practising using grammar, reading, and maths papers. It has been quite challenging; however, they have shown great resilience. They completed the SATs tests with fabulous maturity and have all tried their very best. We have every confidence in them. A huge well done to Y6, everyone involved in the administration and the rest of the school for managing to keep quiet!

Y3/4 Quad Kids

Last Friday afternoon, the children in years 3 and 4 travelled to Whitby to take part in the Quad Kids event. Quad Kids is a little like athletics and includes 4 event areas: Howler Throw, Sprint, Long Distance and Jump. It's a fun event and they all had a great time.

After School Clubs

I hope children are enjoying the after school clubs this term so far. This week they did some gardening, played multi skills and even a game of chess. The clubs run from 3.30pm until 4.30pm on a **TUESDAY** afternoon and we are allowing the children to choose which club they would like to take part in from those on offer each week rather than assigning them to one club for the term.

Jubilee Dinner

Thank you to everyone who completed the online form for the Jubilee Dinner celebrations at Danby Village Hall on Friday 27th May. We will send out further details as we have them.

Diary Dates

Swimming	Thursdays 26/5, 16/6, 30/6, 14/7
Forest School	Thursdays 19/5, 9/6, 23/6, 7/7, 21/7
Easter holidays	11th April - 22nd April
Jubilee Event - Village Hall 10am - 2pm	Friday 27th May
Half Term	Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June

Whole School Photos	Monday 20th June
School breaks up for Summer	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 Danby on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and Egton on Tuesday and Thursday.

With best wishes,



Liz Orland
Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

Village Jubilee Party

Danby village are holding a Queens Jubilee party for anyone to attend on Friday 3rd 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

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 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](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) 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.