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Newsletter
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Harvest Festival

What a wonderful Harvest Festival service we had at Danby Church this morning. Thank you to everyone who was able to come along and take part, it was so nice to see you all there. Thank you all so much for your generosity with the donations for the food bank, we had such a lovely display in church this morning. A big thank you to Rev. Sally for leading us and to the staff and children for delivering such a special service, weren't the children wonderful! The soup and apple cake were absolutely delicious, thank you to the staff and children for making those yesterday.

Half Term

Just a reminder that we break up next week, on Friday 21st October at 3.30pm and return to school on Monday 31st October for half term.

Poppy Collection

As always, we will be supporting The Royal British Legion by hosting a Poppy Box in school. If you or your child would like a poppy please send in a donation. The box is held in the front lobby.

Parent Consultation Evenings

Thank you to everyone who has made appointments for the parents consultation evenings next week. If you haven't yet made an appointment and would like to do so, the google form can be accessed [here](#). If you are unable to follow the link or have any queries, please contact Sarah in the school office and she will be happy to help.

Tag Rugby Megafest

The postponed tag rugby megafest went ahead last Friday afternoon and all our junior children were able to participate. It was a huge event with a lot of local school children attending and was a great experience for the children. Everyone had a very enjoyable afternoon learning new tag rugby skills. Following this, our older children are taking part in a tag rugby tournament this afternoon to put what they have learnt into practice! More on how they got on next week!

Half term events at Whitby Library

This half term at Whitby Library we are excited to have our Pumpkin Carving competition back! Open to ALL ages so please get the whole family involved and bring in your carved pumpkins on Thursday 27th or Friday 28th for judging on Saturday 29th at 10am. There will be prizes for each age category, so get creative and WOW us with your designs! On Saturday 29th 10:30am-12:30pm we are having a Halloween craft session £1 per crafter. Please book early as spaces are limited.

any pumpkins not picked up by 1pm Saturday 29th will be disposed of

Please [click here](#) to view further information about pumpkin carving.

Please [click here](#) to view further information about the craft session.

Bag2School Collection

A reminder that there will be a Bag2School collection on Tuesday 18th October to raise funds for the FODS. Please [click here](#) to read about the charity and also the items that are accepted. Please could bags be dropped off at school by 9.00am on the morning of the 18th. Please make sure that any bags are tightly tied to avoid any water damage if it is a wet day. Thank you

Swimming

On Thursday afternoon the children will be swimming at Whitby Leisure Centre.

After School Club

Next Tuesday, 18th October is the final after school club until after Easter.

Future Dates for your diary

Forest School, Swimming dates and events will be kept up to date each term in the table below. Please could we ask for all items of clothing to be named in case of any mix ups. PE will continue every Friday afternoon and will take place outside whenever possible. Please could children have suitable outer clothing to keep them warm as the weather gets colder.

Please [click here](#) for the 2022-23 term dates.

Half Term	24/10 - 28/10 Children return on Monday 31st October
Forest School	10/11, 24/11, 8/12
Swimming	20/10, 3/11, 17/11, 1/12, 15/12
Parent Consultation Evenings	Tuesday 18th October 3.40-5.00pm Thursday 29th October 3.40-6.30pm
Bag2School	Tuesday 18th October
New starters party and FODS AGM	Thursday 10th November 3pm

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



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.

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.

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](#)

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.

After School Club

Our after school club is on Tuesdays from 3.30pm - 4.30pm until October half term. If you would like your child to attend, please could you let us know via email. The activities vary so your child will have a choice of things to take part in. There will always be multi skills sports option so if your child would like to take part in this, they would need their PE kit that day. There is no charge at present for this after school club.

Breakfast Club

We run a breakfast club at Danby School that is available daily from 8.00am. Bookings are not always necessary but it would be helpful to know in advance if your child will be attending. The cost is £2.50 per child per day including breakfast.

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.

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.**

NYCC ‘Be Aware’ Campaign

North Yorkshire County Council have asked us to publicise information about their ‘Be Aware’ campaign. Please click on the link below to access the document.

[Be Aware.docx](#)