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Newsletter - Friday 18th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, here we are at the end of the first half term of 2022. It's been an eventful one with the ongoing challenges of the pandemic, Ofsted inspection and heating issues! But, I am delighted that we are going into the second half of the spring term with positivity at Danby School and look forward to warmer weather and sunshine and continuing to improve and grow our school building and community. As ever, thank you all for your continued support.

Whitby Gazette write up

There is a lovely article in this week's Whitby Gazette about our Ofsted inspection including a photograph of the children.

World Book Day - Thursday 3rd March

When we return after half term it will be the annual World book day event. We would like the children (and staff) to come to school either dressed as a character from their favourite book or in their pyjamas ready for a bedtime story! Throughout the day there will be a series of story-telling activities. There will also be a book fair in school at 2.30pm run by Whitby Book Shop where the children will be able to purchase books and spend their World Book Day Voucher. Parents are welcome to attend the book fair at 3.30pm. If you wish to send your child with money to spend at the book fair, please place it in a named envelope to hand in to the classteacher. Thank you.

Forest School - the children will still be doing forest school on this day but will stay on site as they will be in their costumes. Therefore, they will not need their forest school clothes that day.

Support for parents and carers with children of SATs age

The Adult Learning team are running free online courses to provide parents with the knowledge to support their child in their English and Maths year 6 SATs.

Maths support course, Tues 1st March at 18:30-20:30

English support course, Wednesday 2nd March at 09:30 -11:30 or 18:00 – 20:00

For more information and to book online,

Call Adult Learning Team on 01609 536066

Email: adultlearningservice@northyorks.gov.uk

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.**

Village Jubilee Event

We have been asked to let you know that there is a Danby village and children’s event being planned to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee on Friday 3rd June - Save the date and further details will be shared in due course.

COVID Update

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

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.

Diary Dates

Swimming	Thursdays, 10/3, 24/3, 7/4
Forest School	Thursdays 3/3, 17,3, 31/3
Half Term	21st - 25th February
Easter holidays	11th April - 22nd April

After half term, I will be at Danby on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and Egton on Tuesday and Thursday.

Have a lovely week.

With best wishes,



Liz Orland
Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

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 rules on self isolation

Individuals are not required to self-isolate if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, or are a close contact of someone with COVID-19, and any of the following apply:

- they are fully vaccinated
- they are below the age of 18 years and 6 months
- they have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial
- they are not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

Instead NHS Test and Trace will make contact and advise that a PCR test is taken.

Therefore, children are allowed to come to school even if someone in their household has tested positive but only if they have no symptoms themselves.

Pupils, staff and other adults must not come into the school if they have symptoms, have had a positive test result or other reasons requiring them to stay at home due to the risk of them passing on COVID-19 (for example, they are required to quarantine).

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](https://www.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.

Computers for Sale

As both schools have shifted onto use of laptops and Chromebooks in our classrooms, we have a number of PC's, monitors and keyboards available for purchase from Danby School if anyone is interested. They have all been cleaned of any data and are ready to be collected immediately. All money raised will go into school funds. Payment can be made via bank transfer, cash or cheque and the full amount is payable on collection. Below is a list of available items:

PC

Dell Optiplex 380 Small Form Factor
Intel Pentium Dual-Core E5500 (2.8Ghz)
3GB RAM
DVD-ReWriter
120GB Hard Disk Drive
8x USBs (6-Rear 2-Front)
Inbuild Sound
Inbuild Graphics (Intel G41 Express Chipset)
Windows 7 SP1 Installed (Windows Licence Code on Case)
Drivers Installed **7 available £40 each**

Monitors

21.5" Dell E2210Hc with Dell AX510PA Speakers - **7 available £45 each**
17" LG Flatron L17NS-7 - **1 available £15**
18.5" Dell E191Hc - **1 available £20**
19" Hanns-G Hs191D - **1 available £20**

Keyboard

Dell KB1421 Keyboard - **7 available £3 each**