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## **Newsletter - Friday 21st May 2021**

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Relationships and Sex Education Policy**

Thank you to those who contributed to our recent parent consultation, your comments were discussed fully at our recent Governors meeting and contributed to our final policy. We have acted on the feedback from parents which strongly supported the teaching of birth and conception from Y5 onwards. Please be assured that we would inform parents before this unit of work will be carried out. As previously all of the resources, curriculum and new policy can be found on the website [HERE](#).

### **National Book Token Competition**

A good school library isn't just important for academic achievement. Reading for pleasure also improves children's wellbeing – something our children need now more than ever before.

National Book Tokens big prize draw is back, giving you the chance to win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for your school's library – and if your entry is picked, you'll also get £100 of National Book Tokens to spend on yourself! Please ask your friends and family to enter and nominate Danby CE VC School. The more nominations we receive, the more chances we have of winning.

Find out about other previous winners, and enter this year's competition, by following the link [HERE](#). The closing date is Saturday 31st July 2021, and the winner will be announced in the autumn term.

### **Bag2School**

There will be a Bag2School collection at **9.00am on Wednesday 26th May** to raise funds for Danby School. [Click here](#) for more information on what items are accepted. Please use your own bags for this collection. Due to current COVID restrictions and a lack of space we are unable to store any bags so we ask that they are brought to school on the morning of the 26th and placed on the playground, thank you. There will be another collection in November so that you can have a good clear out before Christmas!

### **Diary Dates**

We have tentatively begun to plan some dates for later in the term and are keeping our fingers crossed that the end of this term may be able to proceed as normal!

Infant trip to Robin Hood's Bay - Friday 11th June

Whole School Photo - Thursday 24th June  
Sports Day - Friday 9th July - 1.30pm  
Y6 Leavers Service - Friday 23rd July - 9.30am

### **Half term**

We will be breaking up for half term next Friday, 28th May and will return to school on Monday 7th June.

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

Have a lovely weekend!

With best wishes,



Liz Orland  
Headteacher

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**The information below has not changed but is still relevant.**

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### **REMINDER - Covid Guidance**

We have updated our parent guidance which you can find [HERE](#).

We now have a [Face Covering Protocol](#) in place.

### **REMINDER - Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff**

On Sunday 28 February, the [Department of Health and Social Care announced](#) that from Monday 1 March, households with primary school, secondary school and college age children, including child care and support bubbles, can test themselves twice every week at home as schools return from Monday 8 March. Households, childcare and support bubbles of primary, secondary and college staff can also be tested. Twice-weekly testing will also be offered to adults working in the wider school community, including bus drivers and after school club leaders. The twice-weekly test kits can be accessed:

- via employers if they offer testing to employees
- at a local test centre
- by collecting a home test kit from a test site
- by ordering a home test kit on-line

This [guidance](#) provides information on who can be tested and how you can get a test.

### **REMINDER- Covid testing**

If your child starts to show any symptoms of Covid or you have taken them for a Covid test please let us know via the admin email, even at the weekend. We are still required to report all cases of Covid linked to our school and monitor our emails for covid notifications daily. Thank you.

### **REMINDER - Term Dates**

Friday 28th May - Break up for Half Term  
Monday 7th June - Children return to School at 9am  
Friday 23rd July - Break up for Summer at 3.30pm

### **REMINDER - Whitby Food Bank**

We continue to act as a local collection point for the village and immediate areas for Whitby Food Bank. There is a collection box at the front of school should you wish to make a donation of essential items to the food bank at any time. We are working to be Covid safe, the box is located beside our sanitising station and items will be quarantined before being exchanged with the bank. Do check out their website to see which items are greatly needed at the moment. Thank you. [www.foodbank4whitby.org.uk](http://www.foodbank4whitby.org.uk)