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Newsletter - Friday 28th May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Here we are at the end of this half term and we are so thankful it has passed without any disruption for the first time since the pandemic began. As always, I would like to say a heartfelt thank you to our whole school community for your resilience and support. We are not in school next week as it is the half term holiday, so we will look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday 7th June.

Bag2School Collection

Thank you to everyone for your support with our Bag2School fundraiser this week. We raised a total of £60.30 for PTFA funds which is a very welcome boost to our funds. Thanks again.

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.

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 (please return the permission form via google forms if you haven't done so already)

Whole School Photo - Thursday 24th June

Sports Day - Friday 9th July - 1.30pm

Y6 Leavers Service - Friday 23rd July - 9.30am

Covid Arrangements over the half term holiday

We continue to be responsible for Test and Trace during the half term Holiday. It is crucial that if your child has been in school during the week prior to the holidays and subsequently tests positive for Covid, that you contact us immediately at admin@danby.n-yorks.sch.uk. The admin emails will continue to be monitored for covid reporting purposes during the week. Thank you.

For those of you who are testing regularly at home using lateral flow tests, please note that you are advised to keep testing throughout the half term holiday twice weekly. We also ask that for those undertaking regular testing a test is undertaken prior to the children returning to school on 7th June. Thank you.

Week commencing 7th June, I will be at Danby on Tuesday and Thursday and at Egton School on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Have a lovely half term holiday everyone and stay safe.

With best wishes,



Liz Orland
Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

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