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Newsletter

Friday 24th May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well that half term went quickly and I have a feeling that the next half term will fly by too! We have lots already planned as well as all of the usual summer term events so hopefully the weather will be a little kinder! Whatever you get up to over half term, we hope you have a great week together and look forward to hearing all about it on our return.

D-Day Lunch

On Thursday 6th June local primary schools will be having a special Collective Worship, poetry reading and lunch for the D-DAY 80 Anniversary Celebrations of the largest Naval, Air and Land Operation in History by special request of Danby Beacon Trust. We will be having fish and chips and mushy peas followed by a custard cookie and orange wedge. We will be having our Chicken Korma dinner on Friday instead.

Mental Health Parent Consultation

Thank you to everyone who completed our Mental Health and Well-being Consultation this half term. The results were overwhelmingly positive and recognised the fantastic care and support that our staff provide to our children beyond the curriculum. Further ideas were welcomed by the governors and were passed on to our Mental Health Lead - Kath Cornforth and shared with the staff.

Ofsted - The Big Listen – Parent Views Invited

The National Centre for Social Research (NatCen) is carrying out a short survey on behalf of Ofsted. We want to hear from parents/carers of children who are under 18 years old. It should only take around 10 minutes to complete. We are interested in views of Ofsted, including Ofsted's inspection, regulation and reporting practices. We really want to hear from a wide range of parents and carers, even if you don't have strong opinions about Ofsted, or haven't had any experience of Ofsted.

Please click on the following link to find out more or take part in the survey:

survey.natcen.ac.uk/TheBigListen

You can look at our [Taking Part webpage](#) for more information about the research, and our [Privacy Notice](#) for what will happen to any information you give. Links to these webpages are also included in the survey.

Swimming

The whole school will be swimming on Thursday afternoon at whitby pool.

Edinburgh Marathon Fundraising for Brain Tumour Research

On Sunday 26th May, a group of brave local ladies will be taking on the challenge of the Edinburgh Marathon to raise money for Brain Tumour Research in memory of our friend Lizzi Snaith. They are running as a team and have been training very hard over the last few months. Our very own Mrs Motteu is part of the team taking part. If you are able to support this wonderful group of ladies to complete their challenge, they would be very grateful. Please see below for the link to the Just giving page or feel free to pop some pennies into school. Thank you in advance and we wish them all the luck in the world.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Steph-Raw4?utm_medium=proxy_fundraising&utm_content=Steph-Raw4&utm_source=copyLink&utm_campaign=pfp-share

Hobbies and Interests Board - Reminder

Our hobbies and interests board is coming along nicely in school celebrating what the children like to do outside of school. If you haven't already done so and would like to, please send pictures via email to admin@danby.n-yorks.sch.uk or send in a hard copy for us to scan. Thank you.

FODS

Thank you to those who were able to come along to the meeting on Thursday. Our arrangements are in full flow for our Summer Fair on Saturday 29th June 2pm-4pm. We would be very grateful for willing volunteers on the day to make this event super successful! If you can help set up from 12pm, run stalls or clear away at 4pm, please do let Anna or Kieran know or alternatively email admin@danby.n-yorks.sch.uk. Tombola donations are welcomed and can be dropped into school at any time. There are also some spare tables available for stallholders (small donation required) if you know anyone who may like to join us on the day, do ask them to get in touch. Thank you. Further details of the event will follow in due course.

Future Dates for your diary

Please note that we have added the academic year 2024-25 term dates to the link below for your information.

Please [click here](#) for the 2023-24 and 2024-25 term dates.

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 during the cold weather.

There are various sporting events throughout this term but as dates can change, we will let you know about these via email as and when they are happening.

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| Swimming | 6th June, 20th June, 4th July, 18th July |
| Forest School Infants | Wednesday 26th June |
| Forest School Juniors | 13th June, 11th July |
| Half Term | Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May |
| School photos (class and whole school) | Thursday 13th June 9am |
| Sports Day | Thursday 27th June 2.00pm start |
| FODS Summer Fayre | Saturday 29th June 2-4pm |
| Secondary School Transition Week | <u>Whitby Secondary School Partnership</u> Monday 8th July - Friday 12th July <u>Stokesley School</u> Weds 10th - Fri 12th July |
| Last Day of Term | Friday 19th July Note: No after school club available today |

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

Have a lovely half term holiday.



Liz Orland
Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

Safeguarding Children Telephone Number

If you have a safeguarding concern about a child, please note that from the 1st April 2023, the main customer service line for the new North Yorkshire Council will be changing. The new number will be **0300 131 2 131** and will replace the old 01609 780780 number. This will mean that all contacts for referrals for children within North Yorkshire need to go through the 0300 131 2 131 number. **This includes any contacts out of hours for the Emergency Duty Team.** The contact number for the professionals line will remain the same 01609 535070.

The updated details regarding making a referral for a child in North Yorkshire have been updated on our website (www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/about-us/worried-about-a-child).

Attendance

Just a little reminder that if your child is ill and will be absent from school, we ask that you contact school to let us know on each day that they will be absent, by 9.30am. This can be by telephone on **01287 660345** or by email to admin@danby.n-yorks.sch.uk . If we do not hear anything from you we will give you a call to check everything is okay as part of our safeguarding procedures. Thank you

Tax Free Childcare

Danby School has registered to enable you to have access to Tax Free Childcare for wraparound care at school. Our wraparound service covers both breakfast club and sunshine club sessions as they are chargeable. Please on the link below for more information on how it works.

<https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

Free School Meal Eligibility

We are sharing this information with you again as it has recently been updated. Please contact the school office if you would like any help.

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. Your child is eligible for free school meals if you're in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, before benefits are taken into account.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than
- £16,190

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.

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 NYC website - [Free school meals | North Yorkshire Council](#).

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 Primary School. You can also use easyfundraising when booking your holidays and raise big donations for us FOR FREE! Plus book with TUI in January for a chance to win back the value of your holiday!

Please visit our easyfundraising page at:

[Danby School Easyfundraising](#) and click 'join us'. Thank you.

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.'

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.**