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Friday 15th November 2024

### Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### 150th Art Project

This week, we have been working with glass tiles with phase 2 of our art mosaic project. We also welcomed lots of past pupils, staff and governors on Tuesday after school to make a special bumble bee as their contribution to this amazing piece of legacy art. We even got our Chair of governors involved! We now have to be patient whilst all the clay is being dried and fired, we will keep you posted!

#### Act of Remembrance

We started the week with a special Remembrance Worship led by Rev. Anthony in church. Well done to Joe for tolling the bell 11 times at 11 '0' clock! We sang the national anthem and held a two minute silence. Then we listened to all the names being read out from the war memorial in church.

#### Federation St Hilda's Day & Children in Need 2024 Appeal

Today Danby School came over to join us for a special federation St Hilda's Day service. We enjoyed worshipping together, singing some hymns and listening to a short drama about Caedmon and Hilda and readings performed by some of our older children.

After the service we returned to Egton School to have a charity bake sale for Children in Need followed by some Children in Need activities with the infants making a Pudsey bandana for their own bear and the juniors taking part in a quiz and Pudsey treasure hunt! Well done and thank you to everyone who supported and donated. We have raised £70.45.

#### VACANCY - Mid-day Supervisor

We are currently advertising for a Mid-day Supervisor to start after Christmas. For further information please click [HERE](#). Thank you.

#### Adverse weather conditions

The weather is forecast to turn colder next week with a risk of snow! As such, we are sending out a reminder of our school policy in the event of adverse weather conditions. We are also asking that everyone completes a 'Safe place' form so that we have an alternative place logged for your child to go to should the school need to close during the school day. Please complete this form and return to the school office as soon as possible.

[Link to safe alternative place for your child](#)

[Link to the school policy in the event of adverse weather conditions](#)



### Flu Vaccinations

If you have not already completed the consent form with a 'yes' or 'no', please ensure you have, as vaccinations will take place towards the end of November. Please use the link below to complete [Vaccination UK](#)

### **Whole School Trip to Land of Iron - Reminder**

We are looking forward to our trip to the Land of Iron in Skinningrove on Wednesday. Please be reminded that children will need their packed lunches in a rucksack. School uniform should be worn with sensible shoes/trainers. Book bags will not be needed this day.

**FOES Christmas Raffle Tickets** - Our Christmas raffle is one of our biggest fundraisers and we usually have excellent prizes gifted from local businesses and families. All children have been given an envelope containing our annual Christmas Raffle tickets. We would be so grateful if you are able to help us to sell these to raise funds. If you are not in a position to do so, please do return unsold tickets/packets to school. Thank you. If you would like any more tickets, please email [foes\\_ptfa@aol.com](mailto:foes_ptfa@aol.com) and the tickets will be with you as soon as possible.

### **FOES Christmas Fair**

Our annual Egton Primary School Christmas Market will be on Friday 29th November 3:30-5.30pm. We will have some amazing local stallholders, childrens craft stalls, cake stall, games, tombola and more! Father Christmas' Grotto will be open from 3:30pm

Refreshments will be available including mince pies, Christmas cake, teas and coffees, hot chocolates and non alcoholic mulled wine!

This year we are bringing back our 'no parents allowed' area in which children can purchase their very own Christmas presents for their parents/ carers in private, priced at £1 and £2 and we will also gift bag them up to keep them a surprise until Christmas Day!

Come along and start the festivities with us!

To make this possible we are asking parents/ carers if in any way possible to donate prizes to our tombola / "no parents allowed" stall or a box of mince pies into school by 20th November. Thank you. Please note: Card machines available for payments.

**FOES Hamper Packing** - On Thursday 21st November, FOES are having an afternoon of hamper packing ready for the Christmas Raffle. Everyone is more than welcome to come and help. It will be from 1:30pm in school and you will be supplied with cakes and tea! Please contact Sarah on [foes\\_ptfa@aol.com](mailto:foes_ptfa@aol.com) if you are able to attend. Thank you.

### **School Term Dates**

The list of term dates for the academic year 2024/2025 can be found [HERE](#).

### **School Dinner Menu**

The Autumn Term Menu can be found [HERE](#).

### **Diary Dates**

Please note that our calendar can be found on the school website [HERE](#). This is updated regularly throughout the term.

<b>Swimming Dates</b>	21/11, 5/12, 19/12
<b>Infants Thursday Forest School Dates</b>	12/12
<b>Junior Thursday Forest School Dates</b>	28/11

<b>School photographs</b>	Monday 2nd December
<b>Christingle Service</b>	Thursday 5th December 6pm
<b>Christmas Trip to Stephen Joseph Theatre</b>	Tuesday 10th December
<b>Christmas Play</b>	Tuesday 17th December 1.30pm Wednesday 18th December 6.00pm
<b>Christmas Children's Party</b>	Friday 20th December 1.30pm
<b>Last Day of Term</b>	Friday 20th December
<b>Christmas Holidays</b>	Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January
<b>Staff training day</b>	Monday 6th January 2025
<b>Children return to school</b>	Tuesday 7th January

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

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,



Liz Orland  
Headteacher

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

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### **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](http://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/about-us/worried-about-a-child)).

### **School Dinner Menu**

Please find the Autumn Term school menu [HERE](#). Please be aware that sometimes menus do need to change slightly depending on deliveries etc. If your child has any special dietary requirements or allergies please could you let us know by completing the appropriate form which can be found [HERE](#).

### **Healthy Snacks**

Children may bring a 'healthy' snack into school for morning break, no crisps, cake or chocolate please. Fruit will also be available for any child that would like some.

## Dinners and Breakfast and After School Clubs

Just a reminder of our costs this term.

- Dinners for Junior children - £2.80. (Infant meals continue to be free of charge through a government scheme)
- Breakfast club: £3.00 a day
- After School Club: £2.50                      3.30pm - 4.30pm - to include a drink and snack  
   £3.00                      4.30pm - 5.30pm - to include a drink and light tea

Please note that there will continue to be our free of charge fun after school club in the autumn term until October half term on Wednesdays from 3.30pm - 4.30pm. If children need to stay until 5.30pm for after school provision on these evenings, parents will still be charged £5.50 for the two hours as staff members will need to be retained during that time. Thank you.

## 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](#).

## 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.**

## Updated Guidance from the DfE regarding unauthorised leave of absence

Please be advised that there have been some legal changes to the guidance that schools must follow with regards to unauthorised leave of absences during term time. The penalty amounts have been increased and also the introduction of possible legal intervention. Please see below the information from the DfE.

*For unauthorised Leave of absence taken within a three-year rolling period, Penalty Notices will be issued as follows:*

- *The first Penalty Notice issued to a parent in respect of a particular child will be charged at £160 if paid within 28 days, this will be reduced to £80 if paid within 21 days.*
- *A second Penalty Notice issued to the same parent in respect of the same child will be charged a flat rate of £160 if paid within 28 days.*

**PLEASE NOTE:**

- ***A third Penalty Notice cannot be issued to the same parent in respect of the same child within 3 years of the date of issue of the first Penalty Notice.***
- ***In a case where the national threshold is met for the third time (or subsequent times) alternative action will be taken. This will include considering prosecution but may include other tools such as one of the other Legal Interventions to address poor attendance.***

As always, any leave of absence other than illness, must be requested in advance by completing a form to the headteacher. These forms are available from the school office.

**Contacting the teaching staff**

[l.tokarski@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:l.tokarski@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk)

[l.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:l.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk)

[g.thompson@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:g.thompson@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk)

Please note that staff emails are only monitored during the hours of 8am and 4pm Monday to Friday. For anything urgent outside of these hours please contact the admin email.

[admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk)

**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 **01947 895369** or by email to [admin@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@egton.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.

**Friends of Egton School Updates**

**ParentPay**

Please note you can now use ParentPay to make donations and contributions to FOES under the 'Payment Items' section. Simply reference the reason for your payment in the 'Notes' section.

Please find below some FOES fundraisers which we invite you all to sign up to...

**ASDA Cash Pots - NEW**

**Do you shop at ASDA?** Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024, every time customers shop with Asda using their Rewards app, they can choose a primary school to receive a percentage of their spend. And that's not all — every time a customer chooses your primary school, Asda will donate £1 to your school's Cashpot, plus a further £50 when your first customer shops. Our school is registered, please select us when you are shopping! Thank you.

**My NameTags - FOES fundraiser**

We have signed up to a company called 'My Name Tags' who produce personalised name stickers/iron on stickers to label clothing, shoes etc. It's very easy to use and saves a lot of time writing names in everything! All you have to do is click on the link below to enter the website, create the stickers and then put the unique school ID in the box under the 'Shipping Details' during

checkout. For every order placed, we will receive 24% commission for the FOES account. If you have any questions, please speak to Elizabeth in the school office.

<https://www.mynametags.com/>

School ID is 73781

### **Easy fundraising - FOES fundraiser**

We are registered with [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) which gives the Friends of Egton School donations if you shop online and sign up to support Egton Primary School. You can also use easyfundraising when booking your holidays and raise big donations for us FOR FREE!

Please visit our easyfundraising page at: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/egtonpsch/> and click 'join us'. Thank you.

### **Free Eye Test from NHS Public Health Team**

We have been asked to share the following information with you regarding free eye tests for children. The important messages from the leaflet are:

- Please take your child for a FREE eye test.
- Check this website to find your local opticians: [Sight Tests - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)
- Encouraging children & young people to manage their screen time and get outdoors more often can help their eyesight.

The leaflet was produced by North Yorkshire Council's Public Health Team.

[Eye Test Leaflet](#)