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Dear Parents and Carers,

Co-op Community Fund

On Wednesday morning, Mrs Orland and a small group of children went to the Co-op in Castleton for a presentation event for the Co-op Community Fund. We are delighted to say that a total of £1406.41 has been raised by Co-op members to enable the school to carry out a community project. This is a fantastic amount of money and we are extremely grateful to everyone who chose our cause. We plan to use the money to implement a community book exchange at school, further details of this to follow in due course.



Poppy Collection

As always, we will be supporting The Royal British Legion by hosting a Poppy Box in school. If you or your child would like a poppy please send in a donation. The box is located in the main school reception.

We also have a range of rulers, rubbers, pencils and keyrings - suggested donation £1. Thank you.

Influenza Childhood Immunisation Programme 2022

The School Age Immunisation Service will be visiting Danby School on the morning of 30th November to deliver the Influenza Immunisation Programme. Only children whose parents have given consent via the online consent form will be included.

BBC Children in Need



We will be once again supporting the BBC Children in Need fundraiser this year on Friday 18th November. Children may come to school in non uniform with a Children in Need theme and we will be holding a cake sale. Please could we ask for donations of cakes to be brought into school on the morning of the 18th. If you could send a small amount of money in for a donation to the cause, that would be greatly appreciated by the Children in Need team. Thank you!

Stay and Play sessions

We will be holding 2 'Stay and Play' sessions at Danby School for any prospective new starters. These will be held on:

Tuesday 8th November between 2.00pm and 3.00pm

Tuesday 22nd November between 10.30am and 11.30am

During the session, children will be able to take part in a variety of activities in our Infant and Early Years class and outdoor area. We will serve refreshments part way through the session so please let us know of any allergies or dietary requirements.

If you would like any more information, please don't hesitate to give us a ring on 01287 660345 and ask for Sarah or Mrs Motteu. For Safeguarding reasons, all children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian or a nursery member of staff.

FODS

New starters party & AGM

Our new starters party will be held in school next Thursday 10th November starting at 3.00pm. While the children are at the party we will ask some parents to join us upstairs for the FODS AGM. This will only take 15-20 minutes and then we can rejoin the party. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Danby Village Festive Fair - Danby Village Hall - Saturday 12th December

Preparations for our stall at the Danby Village Festive Fair are well underway. The rota is now complete with volunteers to man the stall throughout the day and this has been sent out via email. If you are unsure if you are down to help, please get in touch. Thank you to everyone who donated a prize today for the children's tombola in our non uniform event. We have a wonderful selection of prizes. If you are able to spare any more prizes, please bring them into school. Many thanks.

Local Teacher Training

The Esk Valley Alliance is pleased to announce that it is now taking applications for Initial Teacher Training for those that wish to become primary school teachers. Working in partnership with York St John University, the Esk Valley school-centred (School Direct ITT) primary programme is committed to delivering outstanding education and training that is current and relevant. With the Esk Valley Alliance you will work as part of the teaching team from day one, (similar to student medics in hospitals) learning from experienced, practising colleagues and immediately putting your new skills into practice.

Forthcoming Information Events:

Pickering Memorial Hall Beckett Room - 10am to 1pm on Saturday 19th November. Zoom drop ins on 9th November and 29th November - 5pm-6pm.

For more information and Zoom links please contact: Liz Orland, Headteacher, Egton CE School 01947 895369

headteacher@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk

Forest School

The children will be doing Forest School next Thursday 10th November.

Mrs Lillie's Music Lessons

Mrs Lillie comes into school on Wednesday mornings to deliver pre booked music lessons. She's currently fully booked but in January will be happy to extend her time in school so that she can accommodate any additional children who would like lessons. Please could you let Sarah know if you would like to be added to the waiting list for music lessons. These are delivered on a private basis and payment is between Mrs Lillie and parents/guardians of children. Thank you.

Future Dates for your diary

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 as the weather gets colder.

Christmas Performance

Our Christmas Performance at Danby Village Hall will take place on Tuesday 13th December. There will be an afternoon performance and an evening performance, you are very welcome to

come to either or both. There will be a full day of dress rehearsal on Friday 9th December. Further details will follow after half term.

Please <u>click here</u> for the 2022-23 term dates.

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Forest School	10/11, 24/11, 8/12
Swimming	17/11, 1/12, 15/12
New starters party and FODS AGM	Thursday 10th November 3pm
Danby Festive Fair at Danby Village Hall	Saturday 12th November
St Hilda's Day Service @ St Hilda's, Egton	Thursday 17th November 10am
BBC Children in Need	Friday 18th November
School photos	Monday 5th December
Movie Night & Christmas Jumper Day for 'Save the Children' Charity	Thursday 8th December 3.30pm-5.30pm
Dress Rehearsal all day at Danby Village Hall	Friday 9th December
Theatre trip to Stephen Joseph Theatre in Scarborough	Monday 12th December - leave school at 8.15am
Christmas performance at Danby Village Hall	Tuesday 13th December - afternoon and evening
Christmas Dinner in school	Wednesday 14th December
Christmas Party in school	Thursday 15th December (no swimming)
Last day of term	Friday 15th December

Have a lovely weekend, next week I will be at Danby on Tuesday and Thursday and at Egton on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Liz Orland Headteacher

The information below has not changed but is still relevant.

Ukraine Resources

Obviously, the situation in the world has sadly changed over the last week or two. Some resources have been put out to enable school staff and families to support children with questions and discussions which you may find useful HERE and Schools of Sanctuary, Advice if you're upset by the news - CBBC Newsround, and in the additional resource added to the email.

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 -<u>Free school meals | North Yorkshire County Council</u>.

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);
- 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.

Covid-19 Guidance

For guidance of what to do if you test positive for Covid 19 or are a contact of someone who tests positive, please visit the link found HERE

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 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.

After School Club

Our after school club is on Tuesdays from 3.30pm - 4.30pm until October half term. If you would like your child to attend, please could you let us know via email. The activities vary so your child will have a choice of things to take part in. There will always be multi skills sports option so if your child would like to take part in this, they would need their PE kit that day. There is no charge at present for this after school club.

Breakfast Club

We run a breakfast club at Danby School that is available daily from 8.00am. Bookings are not always necessary but it would be helpful to know in advance if your child will be attending. The cost is £2.50 per child per day including breakfast.

<u>Jewellery in School</u>

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.

NYCC 'Be Aware' Campaign

North Yorkshire County Council have asked us to publicise information about their 'Be Aware' campaign. Please click on the link below to access the document.

Be Aware.docx