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Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

New Starters

We've really enjoyed spending time with our new starters this week and the rest of the school enjoyed their 'Move Up' days and trying out their new year groups for size! Well done everyone!

Y6 Transition

Y6 have enjoyed three taster days at secondary school this week, well done everyone! Next week they have many activities to look forward to before they move on to their next phase of education.

September Staffing

You may have spotted a Mrs Thompson around school this week! We are delighted to share with you that Mrs Thompson will be returning to school in September as EYFS/KS1 teacher for three days - Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We are also delighted that Miss Hall will be remaining with us to teach EYFS/KS1 for the remaining two days of the week on Thursdays and Fridays.

Mrs Tokarski will remain the full-time KS2 teacher in the juniors and Mrs Vaughan will continue to work across both schools in the federation as she has this year.

Summer Reading Challenge - Mobile Library

Join the free Summer Reading Challenge at the Mobile Library!

Dear Parents and Carers, We're excited to invite your child to take part in this year's Summer Reading Challenge – Read to the Beat! - completely free at the Mobile Library as part of your child's regular visit to us!

What is the Summer Reading Challenge?

The Summer Reading Challenge is a fun, free way for children aged 4–11 to stay motivated to read during the summer holidays. Children set their own reading goal and can read anything they enjoy – all books count!

[Click here for further information and for details of how to sign up.](#)

As is inevitable, with the increased cost of foods, we are having to increase our meal and clubs prices. This will take effect in the Autumn term as detailed below. If you have any questions, please do get in touch.

- From £3.00 to £3.50 4.30pm - 5.30pm - to include a drink and light tea, therefore both hours would be £6.00

- Reminders for Next Week:** *As the remaining weeks of the term are somewhat busy we will put some reminders in each Friday for the following week.*

Week 2 [w/c 14th Sep, 5th Oct, 2nd, 23rd Nov, 14th Dec, 18th Jan]

[Week 3](#) [w/c 21st Sep, 12th Oct, 9th Nov, 4th, 25th Jan]

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](#).

FOES NEWS

As you receive this we will be heading into all the fun of our summer fair after school. Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard today to get organised.

There will be a tuck shop on the last day of term just before the end of school from around 3pm.

School Term Dates

The list of term dates for the academic year 2025-2026 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.

Forest School Infants	Mon 13th July
Y5/6 Visit to Crucial Crew	Tuesday 14th July
Infants' Beach Trip	Tuesday 14th July
Y6 Leavers' Assembly	Thursday 16th July
Break Up Summer Holidays	Friday 17th July PLEASE NOTE: There will be no after school club available on this day
Summer Holidays	Monday 20th July - Friday 4th September
Teacher Training Day	Monday 7th September
School opens for children - Academic Year 2026-27	Tuesday 8th September

Next week, I will be on the Y6 Leavers Trip on Monday, Egton on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoon, Danby on Wednesday all day and Friday morning.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,



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).

Mobile Phones, Smart Watches and Devices

Mobile phone and smart watch technology has advanced significantly over the last few years and continues to evolve. Many phones and smart watches now offer internet and e-mail access, alongside standard functions of messaging, tracking, camera, video and sound recording. We are also seeing an increase in Smartwatch 'look-alikes' which have games and activities on which are proving a distraction to learning and are time consuming for teaching staff to monitor.

Smartwatches and Smart-Watch lookalikes are therefore **not permitted** to be worn to school in line with the recent change in Government guidelines.

However, in line with our passion for helping children to tell the time, a standard analogue or digital wrist watch may be worn. If you are unsure whether your child's watch is appropriate, you are welcome to check in with a member of staff.

Smart Watches and devices that are brought to school for any reason will be kept safely until the end of the school day.

For a reminder of our school uniform please see our website page [here](#)

My Happy Mind

Just a reminder that you are able to access the [Parent App](#).

The children's engagement in our My Happy Mind project has been a huge success in school so far. Accessing the Parent App would help to reinforce the strategies taught in school at home and strengthen the positive habits that we are trying to encourage in our children.

 **Your unique authentication code is: 121610 for Egton CofE VA Primary**

DfE Guidance on reducing the spread of illnesses this winter

The DfE have asked that the following link is shared with parents as new guidance has been issued:

Please see the NHS Guidance '[Is my child too ill for school?](#)' Pupils shouldn't miss school on a precautionary basis and can normally attend with a mild cough or cold, unless they have a fever or diarrhoea or vomiting.

Free School Meal Eligibility

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. Please contact the school office if you require any assistance.

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](#).

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

l.vaughan@egton.n-yorks.sch.uk

l.hall@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

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 . 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.