





"Outstanding Together"

Newsletter 09/06/2023

Dear Families and Friends,

School Timings Questionnaire

Thank you to the parents that have completed our current questionnaire on proposed new school timings (based on government requirements). There is one more week to complete this if you haven't already (only complete once per household please). Currently, the majority of families are in favour of continuing with the current arrangement of a school day starting at 9am and finishing at 3.30pm. If this continues to be the case, we will work with the small number of individual families that may have had plans affected by the later finishing time where possible.

Please complete this questionnaire to share your views: https://forms.office.com/e/HqUAvixENz

School Meal Prices (from September 2023)

For the last two years, the school has been able to maintain its current meal price of £2.60. This is despite rising costs and an increase in what North Yorkshire County Caterers charge the school per meal (which has been £3.05 per meal since January 2023), meaning the school has been making a 'loss' of 45p per meal since that increase. This loss is significantly more for children that receive free school meals in Key Stage 1 as the government only provides funding up to £2.41 per meal (a 64p loss per meal).

To reduce the impact of this on school budgets, all Yorkshire Endeavour Academy Trust schools will raise its meal prices to parents to £2.75 per meal from September 2023. This represents a yearly increase of £28.50 (if a child has a school meal every day). Whilst we are reluctant to increase our prices during these difficult times, we hope you appreciate that the school is continuing to subsidise a significant proportion of this charge, ensuring children have as much opportunity to a hot school meal every day.

If you feel that your child is eligible for free school meals, please follow this link to details on how to apply for this: https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals

On Thursday 15th June, North Yorkshire County Caterers will be hosting a 'tasting session' in school for all children (including those who have packed lunches), to encourage children to continue having, or switch to, school provided meals. Please see the posters below for more details. Please note: All children (regardless of whether they usually have a school meal or packed lunch) may engage with this at no additional cost. Children will be able to eat their regular meal for that day, as well as have the chance to taste the options listed below.

Pride Month Non-Uniform Day (optional) – Friday 16th June

On Friday 16th June, we will be marking Pride month with a range of activities in school. We will also be allowing children to dress-up (optional) with the theme of 'pride'. This could be a Pride month theme (such as rainbow coloured clothing) or children dressing up as something that makes them 'proud' such

as a talent they have or a hero they wish to be. The theme is very loose. There will be no donation for this.

The children attending the quad kids event this day should bring additional PE kit for this day if they are dressing up.

Edinburgh Visit - Parent's and Children's Virtual Meeting

On Thursday 15th June (6-6.30pm), a virtual meeting will be held for Year 6 parents and children regarding the Edinburgh visit in July. This will be an opportunity to go through the logistics of the trip, as well as an opportunity to ask questions.

Attendance is not mandatory; you will have received an itinerary which may have given you the information you require. Children are welcome to attend too. For anyone unable to attend, the session will be recorded, and, as ever, you can direct any questions you have regarding the trip to school.

Please follow this Zoom link to access the meeting:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81407344229?pwd=Ykd6T1N0UXFDcEZyNG0wdDFqTmR1Zz09

Rounders Club

It was great to see parents and children enjoying our new rounders club on Wednesday led by Mrs Wardell! To ensure this club is worthwhile and to promote positivity around being active, we would like to encourage as many parents/family members/children to attend as possible. If you are interested, please inform Mrs Wardell or the school office.

New Reverend

We were fortunate to be joined by the new Glaisdale Reverend Anthony Bennett this week. Reverend Anthony visited our classrooms and children to get a feel for our Glaisdale family and to discuss ways we can work together to link together with the community!

Phonics Screening Week

Next week, our Year 1 children will take part in a phonics screen. Information regarding this was sent out earlier in the week. The activities involved are low-key and designed not to put any unnecessary pressure on some of our youngest pupils. The children simply have to read the words shown to them, some of which are real words, some 'alien' words, using their phonic learning from the year to decode them. We will report their results later in the term.

Multiplication Tables Check – Year 4

Our Year 4 children will be taking their multiplication check next week. This asks children to complete 25 times table questions on the screen, similar to those they practise daily. Our children are well prepared for this, having this daily practice. The results of this will be shared later in the term.

Moors School

Our next Moors School session will be Thursday 22nd June.

PE Lessons – Cycling

This week, we started our cycling curriculum with Mrs Wardell! The children really enjoyed these sessions, learning how they can safely enjoy biking, as well as use it as a way to develop physically. Please ensure children bring their bikes and helmets to school every Monday. We have a small selection of spare bikes for any child that may not have a bike or are unable to bring it to school for whatever reason.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Cooper

Stars of the Week:

Explorers: Edith – for her great focus during bike riding and reading!

Adventurers: Jacob – for absolutely 'flying' in his maths, especially with decimals!

Headteacher: Raine – for sharing her feelings and being resilient!

Attendance: This week's attendance was 98.2% which is significantly above the national average and

now means our overall attendance for the year is above this average too – well done!

Our attendance this year is: 94.2% (National average: 93.9%)

School Lunches W/C 12.06.23

Monday: Nuggets & Potato Wedges – Berry Sponge

Tuesday: BBQ Chicken Wrap & Vegetable Rice – Oat Biscuit & Cheese

Wednesday: Roast Gammon & Baby Potatoes – Summer Crumble & Custard

Thursday: Spaghetti Bolognese – Chocolate & Vanilla Swirl Muffin

Friday: Crispy Fish & Chips – Jelly & Ice Cream

Headteacher timetable for upcoming week	
Mon	Castleton all day
Tues	Glaisdale all day
Weds	am – Castleton
	pm – Glaisdale
Thurs	Supporting school in Scarborough
Fri	Supporting school in Scarborough

Term Dates - 2022 / 2023

- Half Term Monday 24 October to Friday 28 October
- Staff Training Day Friday, 9 December
- Last day of Autumn Term Friday 16 December
- First day of Spring Term Tuesday 3 January 2023
- Half Term Monday 13 February to Friday 17 February
- Staff Training Day Friday, 24 March
- Last day of Spring Term Friday 31 March
- First day of Summer Term Monday 17 April
- Bank Holiday Monday 1 May
- Bank Holiday Monday 8 May
- Half Term Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June
- Last day of Summer Term Monday 24 July

Training days for staff when the children will not be in school are as follows:

Friday 9 December Friday 24 March 2023

Tuesday 25 July

Term Dates - 2023/24

- Staff Training Day Monday 4th September 2023
- Staff Training Day Tuesday 5th September 2023
- First day of Autumn Term Wednesday 6th September 2023
- Half Term Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November 2023
- Staff Training Day Friday 15th December 2023
- Last day of Autumn Term Friday 22nd December 2023
- First Day of Spring Term Monday 8th January 2024
- Half Term Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February 2024
- Staff Training Day Friday 15th March 2024

- Last day of Spring Term Friday 22nd March 2024
- First day of Summer Term Monday 8th April 2024
- Bank Holiday Monday 6th May 2024
- Half Term Monday 27th May to Friday 31st 2024
- Staff Training Day Friday 12th July 2024
- Last day of Summer Term Monday 22nd July 2024

Training days for staff when the children will not be in school are as follows:

Friday 15 December 2023

Friday 15 March 2024

Friday 12 July 2024

Future Dates

June

Year 4 times table check takes place this month

12th: Phonics screening week (Year 1)

14th: Year 3/4 Tennis Event

15th: School Meal 'Taster' Sessions

16th: Pride Dress-up Day

16th: Year 1/2 Quad Kids Athletics Event 21st: Year 5/6 Quad Kids Athletics Event

July

3rd: Sports Day (pm)

5th: Year 5/6 Rounders Event

6/7th: Year 6 Edinburgh Trip

10-14th: Whitby secondary school transition week

11th: Glaisdale Transfer Days

11th: New Starters 2023 Taster Morning & Lunch

12th: Glaisdale Transfer Days

12th: New Starters 2023 Taster Morning & Lunch

17th: Year 6 Crucial Crew visit (pm)

24th: YEAT Sports Festival at Whitby Town FC

24th: School finishes for summer holidays



