



Dear Parents/Carers,

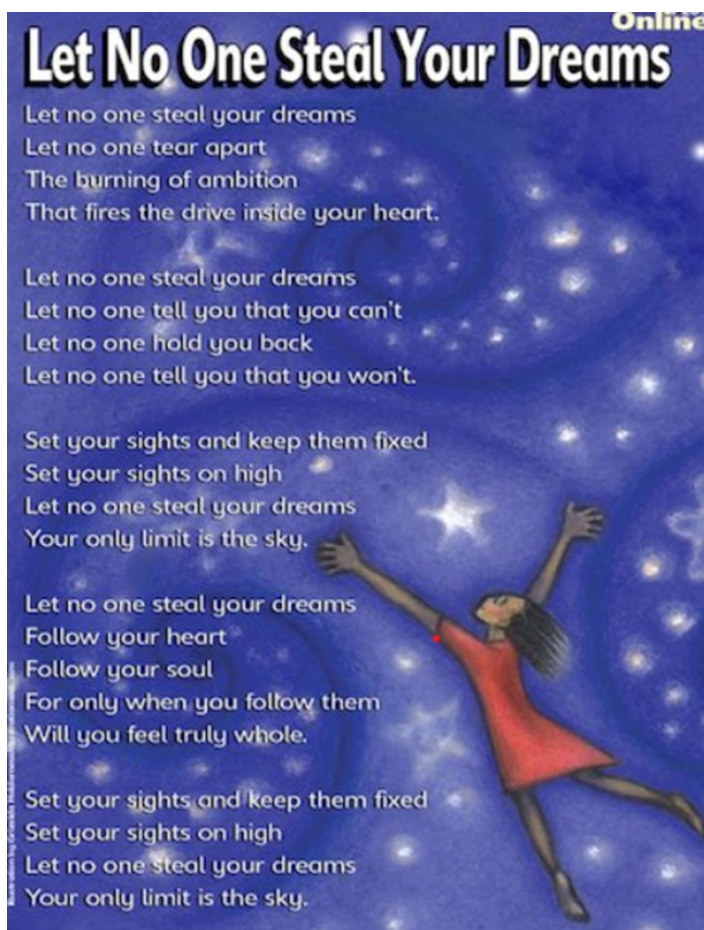
Hello and welcome to our final newsletter of the year and what a year it has been! I would like to thank you all for your continued support and thank staff and Governors for all of their hard work and dedication to making this year such a success.

We have a lot of volunteers to mention who have given their time to help us this year. A big thank you to; Mr Neville, all of our EPIC volunteers, the Open the Book team, Holly and Sid, Mr and Mrs Dutton and all parents who have helped out on trips and residential.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS:

Goodbye to our Year 6 leavers. You have done yourselves and your parents proud and we wish you well as you take the next big step on your journey. Please come back and see us, we love hearing how you are getting on and seeing you in your new uniforms.

Our final message to you is to never let anybody steal your dreams.



Last week, Year 6 had their end of year trip to Alpmare and North Bay Beach, Scarborough. They had a fantastic time racing each other down slides, jumping through the waves, gorging themselves on pizza, hot dogs and ice cream and splashing around in the sea. The children were exceptionally well behaved and the adults thoroughly enjoyed themselves too! Well done on a brilliant year - you will be missed!



YEAR 6 VS STAFF ROUNDERS:

On Wednesday, Year 6 played the Staff in a rounders game. It was a close match with some excellent sportsmanship displayed from both sides. The final score was 19 and a half rounders to 22 and a half rounders for a staff victory! Obviously, we were very pleased! However, the children gave us a run for our money, particularly Miss Potter/Mrs Hannam's class who managed to score 10 rounders against us. This is a well-loved tradition that always brings a smile to all our faces.

SEN ROUND UP:

This year has been another busy year for special needs provision in our school and we'd like to share a summary of the year. We have gathered evidence and achieved four new EHCPs; along with twenty-six reviews to update and tailor EHCPs in place to meet current and emerging needs. Transition work for our incoming pupils and outgoing pupils has been a real success and our new starters have everything in place ready for September.

For our children with My Support Plans, 36% of parents agree and 64% strongly agree that our school gives their child the support they need to succeed. We have seen improvements in the data of those with SEN support achieving the expected standard or greater depth at the end of KS2 in the SATs. In addition to this, we have accessed in excess of twelve external specialist services to ensure our pupils feel supported.

MESSAGE FROM GOVERNORS:

On behalf of the Governing Body, I would like to wish our Year 6 students and their families all the very best as they leave us to start their secondary school careers. You have contributed so much to our school and represented our school values to the very max. Take this with you as you leave us and treasure those memories you have made in your time here.

A huge thank you also goes to our staff, they work so hard for all our children and community and this year has been no exception. We have held a full calendar of events with sports days, residentials, day trips, library trips alongside our teaching curriculum and it is clear how much the children enjoy all aspects of school. Enjoy your break, it is well deserved!

A final thank you must go to the Governors themselves. This team of dedicated volunteers spend a lot of their free time helping at school and making sure that what we say we are going to do gets done; in terms of our curriculum offer, safeguarding, budgeting and buying what we need to name a few examples! They are truly a team of unsung heroes and have been a fantastic support to me personally this year for which I am very grateful.

Have a wonderful summer break and we look forward to seeing you back in September

Nikki Rowbottom
Chair of Governors

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS:

Our participation in sporting events has increased again this year and we have had so much sporting success that we are immensely proud of. KS2 have had opportunity to take part in several competitions across the year: Football, Netball, Cricket, Rounders and Cross Country. We are really proud of how our children have been ambassadors for our school, showing good team spirit and putting all of their effort into their achievements.



NEWS FROM THE NEST:

What a first year we have had with our new SEMH intervention space in the NEST! It has been a pleasure seeing children from across the whole school working on targeted interventions, for individuals and groups. This year, I have completed: 111 referrals with targeted intervention work and 82 individual drop-ins, which is an amazing amount of social and emotional support.

The Nest has worked well with a fluid timetable, so no child misses their time due to other activities. It has been lovely walking through school hearing "Are you taking me to the NEST today?" with excitement and enthusiasm. We continue to expand on resources and also my own continued learning and refreshing of skills. I have just completed a Sleep Charity's 'Sleep Tight course' and I am excited to be able to offer Sleep Workshops from September - more information to follow.

Wishing everyone a wonderful summer and hope all transitions to new classes and new schools go swimmingly. Kind regards, Mrs Bird



ARBOR - PARENTPAY REMINDER:

A reminder that over the summer we will be moving from ScholarPack to a new MIS called Arbor. This will mean that once up and running we will also no longer be using ParentPay but will be using the payment function within Arbor.

In readiness for this we need to ensure that all outstanding balances on ParentPay are cleared by Friday 18th July, the last day of term.

Please may we ask that you check your child's account and make any outstanding payments by this date, this includes all trips, visits, residentials and lunches. Thank you.

The move to Arbor also means that we will be using a new Arbor Parent App instead of the ScholarPack Parent App - further details will be sent to you late in the summer regarding setting this up. We will continue to use Class Dojo for classroom/learning communication with teachers.



MOBILE FREE CHILDHOOD CAMPAIGN:

As you will be aware from previous newsletters, we are passionate about protecting our children from the harm that they can come to whilst online and on social media. I know that many of you share this worry and want to protect your children for as long as possible. To support you in this, this week Governors voted that from **January 2026**, Easingwold Primary School will be a smartphone free school for all of our children. This will mean that we will no longer be accepting smartphones to be looked after at the office. If you want your child to bring a phone to school, it must be a simple one with call and text function only. If you are thinking of buying a phone for your child in the near future for walking to and from school, you will need to buy them a simple one. Guidance on buying these types of phones can be found here:

<https://www.smartphonefreechildhood.org/alternatives>



We know that being the lone parent saying no is hard. But when we delay together – as families and communities – it becomes easy. That's the whole point of signing the Parent Pact – a collective agreement to delay getting children getting smartphones until at least 14, and social media 16. It's organised around school communities – so the more of you who sign it, the more powerful it becomes.

Please stand with us to protect our children and sign the parent pact here:

<https://www.smartphonefreechildhood.org/parent-pact>

Please support each other and stand together in your class WhatsApp groups, there is real power in numbers.

GAS SAFE CHARITY FUNDING:

Choices4Energy at the North Yorkshire Council has funding available until September to help homeowners with low income and/or disability to pay for measures that address potential gas safety, gas leaks or CO poisoning (<£36,000 household income, other criteria may apply). This includes measures such as repairs and servicing of gas boilers, fires and cookers. Badly fitted or poorly serviced gas appliances can put you and your family at risk. There is a maximum grant of £500 per household, and we are encouraging homeowners to check gas appliances now to ensure they are safe to use, ready for winter. Contact us now on 0300 131 2 131 and ask for Choices4Energy, or visit [Choices4Energy | North Yorkshire Council](#) for more information.

Click here for a copy of our [Gas Safety leaflet](#) which provides info about the funding available.

PHARMACY FIRST:

Parents and carers in Humber and North Yorkshire are being reminded to use their local community pharmacy this summer if their child needs help with minor illnesses or ailments.

The NHS Pharmacy First service allows children to get NHS treatment – and access to antibiotics where appropriate – for five common conditions from their local pharmacy, without needing a GP appointment.

The five common conditions are:

impetigo (aged one year and over)

infected insect bites (aged one year and over)

earache (aged one to 17 years)

sore throat (aged five years and over)

sinusitis (aged 12 years and over)

[Click or tap here](#) for more information.

UNIFORM REMINDERS:

Whilst buying new uniform over the holidays please remember that our school and PE uniform policy can be found here. Please note that crop tops are not appropriate for school PE kit.

<https://www.easingwoldprimary.co.uk/uniform-information/>

The first week of the summer holidays is the best time to get ears pierced to give them enough time to heal. Children cannot do PE or swimming with earrings in under any circumstances and we are not allowed to tape or remove earrings. Please remember that the only jewellery that is allowed in school is a watch (not a smart watch) and stud earrings.

Please also remember that nail polish, stick on nails, acrylic nails and false eyelashes are not allowed. Any child coming to school with these items will be asked to remove them or parents will have to come to school to remove them.

Fashion items such as Stanley style cups, cat ear headbands etc. are also not allowed and will be confiscated and returned to parents at the end of the day.

Please buy a plain water bottle with a pull up or flip up lid not one with a lid that screws off as these are easily lost.

My final word on uniform is please label **EVERY-THING!!!**

SAFEGUARDING:

With school being closed over summer, a reminder that parents and carers can now make their own safeguarding referrals if they have a concern about a child by clicking here:

<https://forms.northyorks.gov.uk/service/>

[Re-port concerns to North Yorkshire Children and Families Service](#)

ROSIE'S COLOUR RUN:

Sponsor forms went home this week for our Colour Run on September 19th in memory of our friend Rosie Prior. Please support us by collecting as many sponsors as possible over the summer. If you need another form you can collect one from the school office when we return on the 2nd September.



FEAST VOUCHERS:

A reminder that all those that are eligible for the FEAST holiday vouchers will have received their text/email from Holiday Activities containing the link for the FEAST vouchers for the Summer holidays. Please check your junk/spam folders and please ensure that you sign up as soon as you can, we are aware that places do fill up quickly.

We have also been able to allocate a small number of additional vouchers to families who we think would benefit from the FEAST activities - if you have received a text/email please see the links below for how to redeem your vouchers.

[I'm a parent – Holiday Activities](#)

[How to view and book your child onto an activity through HolidayActivities.com – Holiday Activities](#)



Holiday activities across North Yorkshire.
FREE places and a FREE meal for eligible children and young people.

COMPETITION WINNER:

In the Spring, our Environment Ambassadors held a competition to design a new sign for Millfield Park, encouraging others to look after our local green spaces. The winner of the competition was Arwen R, who visited Millfield Park yesterday to see her new signs being put up for all to see. Well done Arwen!



GARDENING CLUB:

A huge well done to Mr Neville and his Gardening Club who this week harvested their potatoes and a huge marrow!



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE:

The Summer Reading Challenge this year is called 'Story Garden' - you can find more details by clicking on the link below and you can sign up at Easingwold Library. Good luck!

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



YEAR 3/4 NEWS:

All of the children in Year 3 and 4 have been busy adapting and cooking pasta sauce recipes this week. They could choose to add a range of ingredients, some of which were more popular than others. The children loved cooking, and eating, their creations. They certainly smelt tasty! I'm hoping the children will be keen to recreate them for you at home.



AND FINALLY:

We are saying goodbye to Mrs Kovalchuk, Mr Walton, Mrs Hesketh and Mrs Twigger this term and would like to thank them for all of their work as well as wishing them well as they move on.

On behalf of both myself and the staff, I would like to thank you all for the generous gifts and cards that we have all received this week. We very much appreciate your kind words and thoughtfulness. We all consider ourselves incredibly fortunate to work at such an amazing school and to have the privilege of making a difference to your children's lives. Wishing you all a happy, safe and fun filled summer. We look forward to welcoming all of you who are staying with us in September.

Mrs A Parratt
Headteacher

Your support for your child's education is crucial to their progress. Please let us know if there are any adjustments we need to make to help you support your child, for example: letters in large font; in different languages; wheelchair access; explaining things over the phone?

Spare newsletters are available in the rack outside the school office, together with holiday forms and permission to administer medicine forms. Tel: 01347 821282 email: admin@easingwoldprimary.co.uk.



Spring / Summer Menu Week 3

WEEK THREE	FAVOURITES MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY	ROAST WEDNESDAY	PIZZA PARTY THURSDAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal	TRAINING DAY	Beef Lasagne & Garlic Bread	Roast Gammon, Gravy, Stuffing & Mashed Potatoes	Margherita Pizza & Tomato Pasta Salad	Battered Fish & Chips
Vegetarian Main Meal	SCHOOL CLOSED	Vegetable Chilli with Rice	Mediterranean Vegetable and Chickpea Stew & Potatoes	Bean Burrito & Potato Wedges	Crispy Vegetable Fingers & Chips
Grab and Go Offer YEARS 5 & 6 ONLY		Main or Veggie Option as above	N/A	Main or Veggie Option as above	N/A
Vegetables		Broccoli, Cauliflower, Carrots	Cabbage, Carrots	Mixed Vegetables	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Sweetcorn
Sandwiches		Freshly Made Sandwich with Cheese or Tuna	Freshly Made Baguette with Cheese or Ham	Freshly Made Wrap with Cheese or Tuna	Freshly Made Bap with Cheese or Ham
Baked Jacket Potatoes		Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Beans
Dessert		Chocolate Cookie & Orange Wedges	Vanilla Cupcake	Homemade Jam Sponge & Custard	Fruit Salad & Yoghurt

Recommended fruit and vegetable portion sizes are calculated using School Food Standards. On average our desserts do not exceed a third of a child's recommended 'free sugar' intake.

Portions of fruit or veg
 Source of wholegrain
 Plant-based proteins
 50% fruit
 50% fish
 Vegan
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SUMMER TERM DIARY DATES:

Last day of term: Friday 18th July - normal finish time

Training Day - School Closed: Monday 1st September

First Day of Term: Tuesday 2nd September