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Dear Families and Friends,

Choir Really Big Sing Event

Our Choir Club had the chance to travel to The Glass House International Centre for Music, Gateshead on Wednesday, where they took part in The Big Sing with children from other schools and a team of professional musicians! The children also had the opportunity to view a 'street scientist' live experiment in the interval. See social media for highlights of a wonderful day.

Year 6 Transition Event

Year 6 met with other Year 6s from our local village schools at Egton Village Hall. They took part in a range of team-building games and activities, as well as enjoying a shared lunch and snacks! This event was led by Middle Esk Moor who have provided each child with a small gift and information on future transition events over the summer and into following years!

Oaks Lego Robotics Workshop

Oaks enjoyed an interactive robotics workshop on Tuesday afternoon led by an RAF STEM team. Children were provided with lego kits which they could transform into their own 'moon buggy'. They then used iPads to program their buggy to move!

Oaks Forest School and PE

Year 5/6 enjoyed their one-off Forest School session with Mrs Barber this week. On Thursday 11th July, Year 3/4 will have their session. Please ensure children arrive at school in appropriate clothing/footwear.

As a reminder, children in Oaks will not have PE sessions for the remaining weeks of term due to other events/training day.

Swimming Sessions

Our swimming sessions have now come to an end. Children enjoyed a fun session on Monday and some children completed their lifesaving unit!

Clubs in Autumn 2024 and Consultation on Paid-for Childcare

In September, we plan to run a range of after-school clubs (free of charge), as usual. This (provisionally) includes:

Mondays: Engineering Club (Oaks) and Sewing Club (Acorns)

Tuesdays: Sports Club (Oaks)

Wednesdays: Signing Club (All children)

Thursdays: Choir Club (Year 1-6)

Fridays: No club currently (subject to change)

Clubs will start in the second week back (week commencing 9th September) due to school re-opening for children on Wednesday 4th September.

However, we know that parents' circumstances may have changed and that we have new families. Therefore, we are consulting families on whether they require additional paid-for childcare on days where there are no clubs available for their child or if childcare is required after clubs have finished (4.30pm). If you are interested in this, please complete the following survey: <https://forms.office.com/e/1xZPPssdEj>





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The survey will close on Thursday 18th July after which we aim to inform families if paid-for childcare is viable.

Transition morning for New Starters and Parents Meeting

New starters (Reception 2024) are welcome to join us for a final time before September on Thursday morning 9am-1pm (including lunch). There will also be a short meeting for parents with Mrs Porter at 12:45 before collecting children at 1pm.

Country Show Entries

The school is planning for children to enter the following classes at the various shows this summer:

- Infants and junior handwriting
- Infants and junior collage
- Infants and junior painting (own choice)
- Infants and junior picture (any other medium)
- An item of patchwork/sewing
- Any other handicraft

Please note: the above is subject to time demands and some entries may come from certain clubs/classes and, therefore, not all children will enter all classes. Please feel free to complete any of the above classes (and others!) at home for the shows.

End of Year Awards

Please can request that last year's end-of-year awards winners return their trophies to school, ready for our new winners which will be announced at our Leavers' Assembly at the end of term.

Headteacher Timetable Next Week

Next week, due to the training day and other events/meetings/commitments, I will not be in Castleton at all! As always, please contact Mrs Wardell for any urgent business. Alternatively, I can be contacted via the School Office or via email: headteacher.cg@yeat.co.uk

Final Choir Club of the Year

Our final Choir Club will take place on Thursday 11th July.

Upcoming Staff Training Day

As a reminder, next Friday (12th July), the school will be closed to students, as we will be holding our summer training day.

Congratulations

Well done to Martha P for achieving a merit for her Grade 2 singing exam

Have a great weekend,

Mr Cooper





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Stars of the Week:

Acorns: Bobbi- for creating a super 'owl' collage as part of our artwork this week.

Alfie- for listening carefully to instructions and responding well to advice and feedback.

Oaks: Maggie – for always brightening up the class (making Mrs Wardell smile!) and giving her all to everything she does.

Headteacher: Barnaby – for being swimmer of the month and for excellent handwriting in school!

Attendance: Our attendance this week was: 90.8%

Our attendance this year: 94.5%

National average this year: 94.6%

Headteacher timetable for the upcoming week	
Mon	Lythe all day
Tues	Supporting school in Scarborough
Weds	am – Whitby/Goathland pm - Lealholm
Thurs	Meetings in Whitby
Fri	Training Day

Next Week's Events

Monday Acorns Sports Club please bring additional kit

Tuesday Music Lessons

Wednesday Year 2 in Oaks for transition
Reception and Year 1 PE please arrive in appropriate clothing/footwear
Acorns Sewing/Repair Club led by Mrs Moore
Oaks Fix-it/Engineering Club led by Mr Moore

Thursday Year 2 in Oaks for transition
Choir Club final session of the year
Year 3/4 Forest School – please arrive in appropriate clothing/ footwear
Stay and Play and New Starter Parents Meeting – 12.45pm

Friday Training Day – school closed to children

Safeguarding Statement

Yorkshire Endeavour Academy Trust and Castleton School are committed to ensuring the safety and welfare of all children. If you have any concerns regarding this, please contact one of our designated safeguarding leads (listed below). For significant and immediate concerns, please contact the police on 999. For concerns that are not immediate, please contact the North Yorkshire Council Emergency Duty Team: 0300 131 2 131.

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr Olly Cooper (01947 897218 or 01287 660496 or headteacher.cg@yeat.co.uk)

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Nicola Wardell (01287 660496 or nwardell.castleton@yeat.co.uk)

Safeguarding Governor: Mrs Anna Harrison (01287 660496 or aharrison.cgl@yeat.co.uk)





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Remaining Term Dates 2023/24

- Staff Training Day – 12th July 2024
- Last day of Summer Term - Monday 22nd July 2024

Future Diary Dates

Please note: some of these events may still need to be confirmed.

July

08/07-12/07 – Caedmon transition week

12/07 – Training Day – school closed to pupils

16/07 – Sports Day (pm)

17/07 – Year 6 Crucial Crew Visit

18/07 - Oaks trip to York

19/07 – Sports Day (am) (reserve)

19/07 – Leavers Assembly (1pm)

22/07 – YEAT Olympics

Please avoid booking term time holidays, especially during assessment weeks.

Term Dates 2024/25

- Staff Training Day – Monday 2nd September 2024
- Staff Training Day – Tuesday 3rd September 2024
- First day of Autumn Term – Wednesday 4th September 2024
- Half Term - Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2024
- Staff Training Day - Friday 13th December 2024
- Last day of Autumn Term - Friday 20th December 2024
- First Day of Spring Term – Monday 6th January 2025
- Half Term - Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025
- Staff Training Day - Friday 28th March 2025
- Last day of Spring Term - Friday 4th April 2025
- First day of Summer Term – **Tuesday** 22nd April 2025
- Bank Holiday – Monday 5th May 2025
- Half Term - Monday 26th May to Friday 30th 2025
- Last day of Summer Term - Monday 21st July 2025
- Staff Training Day – Tuesday 22nd July 2025



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