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Dear Families and Friends,

Gold Sports Mark Award

We are delighted to say that the school has been awarded the Gold Sports Mark Award for its development and promotion of sport and active lifestyles! We are very proud of this award and how it recognises the journey we have been on over the last few years, advancing from the bronze award we received in 2023. We are looking forward to building on this in future years and allowing even greater opportunities for children to access and enjoy sport and competitions.

Sports Day

It was great to finally have our annual sports day (and in fine weather!) Thank you to everyone who joined us for a morning filled with sports and competition. A massive well done to Summer who won overall.

A thank you must also go to all the PTFA volunteers that, once again, supported our school events with refreshments.

Mr Cooper's Continuing Support of Goathland and Lythe Primary Schools

As the headteacher from Goathland and Lythe Primary Schools has not yet returned, I will be continuing my support of these schools. As before, this will not impact upon Castleton Primary School, however Mr Wood will continue to be Acting Head of School at Glaisdale School. Mr Wood will also, on occasion, provide additional leadership support to Castleton on weeks I am unable to attend Castleton regularly. You will see, in each newsletter, my schedule for the upcoming week. This will also include when Mr Wood is in school. Mr Wood's support serves a double purpose as we are also prioritising maths at Castleton next year, and Mr Wood is our trust's maths lead. Should you have any questions regarding this arrangement, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Trips

Year 6 enjoyed their visit to Crucial Crew on Wednesday, where they got to experience a range of workshops and activities led by our emergency services. The children learnt how to keep themselves safe in a range of scenarios.

On Thursday, Oaks visited York Museum Trust to take part in a pilot of a new trip – Time Odyssey. They had the opportunity to time travel through different periods of time, meeting characters throughout history!

YEAT Olympics and Final Day of Term

A reminder that our official final school day is Monday 22nd July. All children will be attending a YEAT Olympics day at Oakridge School. This will take place during usual school hours. Children should come to school in PE kit and footwear with their own packed lunch and drink from home.

Clubs in Autumn 2024 and Consultation on Paid-for Childcare

Clubs will recommence in the second week back of the autumn term (week commencing 9th September).

We have been consulting on paid-for childcare for any families who require additional provision outside our extra-curricular clubs. Unfortunately, we had very minimal response to this and, therefore, will be unable to offer this provision on a regular basis. However, please do get in touch with the school if you require ad-hoc childcare. We have staff who are flexible and can provide additional childcare, given appropriate notice.

Acorns Sports Club

With Monday being our final day and children taking part in a joint sports day, there will be no Acorns Sports Club next week.



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End of Year Awards

We presented our end-of-year awards at our leavers' assembly on Friday. We were pleased to recognise what wonderful children we have at Castleton. However, our overall winners, as nominated by staff and students were:

Nurture Award: Martha

Resilience Award: Emily and Loki

Outdoor Learning Award: Lilly and James

PE/Sport Award: Rue and Joe

Goodbye Mr Wadley

It was our pleasure to welcome Mr Wadley back for one final time to Castleton. Mr Wadley joined us on Tuesday afternoon (rearranged due to postponement of Sports Day) to say a final goodbye to children. Mr Wadley also kindly brought us some cakes/treats which we enjoyed whilst sharing our fond farewells.

PE/Forest School in Autumn

Oaks will continue to have weekly PE sessions on Friday afternoons with Mrs Wardell (starting from 6th September).

Acorns will now have PE sessions on Monday afternoons with Mrs Barber (starting from 9th September).

Oaks will have fortnightly sessions of Forest Schools with Mrs Barber on Tuesday afternoons (starting from 10th September). This will alternate on a weekly basis between Year 3/4 and Year 5/6.

Acorns will continue to have fortnightly Forest Schools sessions with Mrs Barber on Wednesday mornings (starting from 18th September).

Return to School

After Monday 22nd July, school will be closed for the summer. We have two training days (2nd and 3rd September), therefore children will return to school on Wednesday 4th September.

Have a great summer break!

Mr Cooper

Attendance: Our attendance this week was: 93.1%

Our attendance this year: 94.4%

National average this year: 94.5%

Headteacher timetable for the first week back

Mon	Training Day
Tues	Training Day
Weds	am – Castleton pm – Goathland
Thurs	am – Goathland pm - Lythe
Fri	Lythe all day



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Next Week's Events

Monday	Training Day School closed to children
Tuesday	Training Day School closed to children
Wednesday	Children return to school Tour of Britain coming through village No clubs in first week
Thursday	No clubs in first week
Friday	No clubs in first week Oaks PE please arrive in appropriate kit/footwear

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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Future Diary Dates

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

September

- 04/09: Children return to school
- 04/09: Tour of Britain in village
- 09/09: Clubs restart
- 11/09: Birds on the Edge visiting
- 13/09: Y6 Bikeability
- 23/09: Flu Vaccinations (TBC)

October

- 07/10-18/10: Parents' evenings
- 08/10: Taiko drum workshop
- 17/10: Y6 trip to Whitby Secondary School and Archives
- 25/10: End of half-term

Future Diary Dates

- 06/11: Individual photos
- 07/11: Chance to Shine cricket sessions start
- 26/03-28/03: Y5/6 Peat Rigg
- 12/05-16/05: Y6 SATs Week
- 02/06-13/06: Y4 Multiplication Check
- 04/06: School photos
- June: Y1 phonics screening

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 21st 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

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



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