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Dear Families and Friends,

Mr Cooper's Support of Goathland and Lythe Primary Schools

As the substantive headteacher of Goathland and Lythe Primary Schools has now officially left their position, these schools are in a position to advertise for a new headteacher, which they plan to do as soon as possible. Due to notice periods, it is likely that this new headteacher will be unable to take their role at these schools until April. However, some candidates may be able to negotiate an early release and/or begin earlier. YEAT and Mr Cooper have agreed to continue supporting these schools for this period, following a turbulent time for the two communities.

As a result, Mr Cooper will spend, on average, 2 days per week at Castleton School; 1.5 days per week at Goathland School and 1.5 days per week at Lythe School, subject to any other commitments. Mr Wood will continue to be the interim head of school at Glaisdale School with weekly check-ins/support from Mr Cooper. Other YEAT colleagues are also providing additional leadership capacity for all of these schools, including Mrs Zanelli (CEO) as co-interim headteacher at Lythe Primary School.

As always, Mr Cooper is contactable at any of these schools or via email (headteacher.cg@yeat.co.uk), should you have an urgent query which cannot be managed by Mrs Wardell or Mr Wood.

School Office

I am pleased to say that Mrs Moore has returned to school, following her operation. We would like to thank Mrs Gray for her support over the last 6 weeks.

After half-term, Mrs Moore's work pattern will be changing. She will now be in office on Mondays and Fridays (8.00am-3.30pm) and Thursdays (8.30-12.30pm). Mrs Gray will now be in office on Tuesdays (9am-3.30pm). There will not be an administrator in school on Wednesdays, however, we are pleased to say that our new phone system has been installed. This allows calls from both Castleton and Glaisdale School to be picked up by either Mrs Moore or Mrs Gray at either school. Therefore, should an administrator not be in office (such as on Wednesdays), an administrator or member of staff will be available to take urgent calls.

Clubs

After half-term, there will be some changes to our club schedule. Online consent forms have been sent out. Please see the new club schedule below. Please note: some clubs have capacity limits, to ensure safety and practicality of the sessions.

Monday	Acorns: Sewing and needlecraft club with Mrs Moore (3.30-4.30pm) Oaks: Engineering Club with Mr Moore (3.30-4.30pm)
Tuesday	Oaks: Art Club with Miss Searle (3.30-4.30pm)
Wednesday	All children: Signing Club with Mrs Thompson (3.30-4.30pm) Year 6: Booster Club with Mrs Wardell (3.30-4.30pm)
Thursday	Year 1-6: Choir Club with Miss Wilson (3.30-4.30pm)
Friday	No clubs

Harvest Festival

It was a pleasure to welcome so many family and community members to our annual Harvest Festival on Thursday. We enjoyed performing to our audience and marking a special time of year for our community. A big thank you for all the donations that were provided. These will be taken to Whitby Food Bank.



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Individual and Sibling School Photos

Children have had their school photos taken this week and have been provided with an information sheet on how parents/family members can purchase these directly from the supplier, Tempest. Please note: for free delivery to school, please complete ordering by Monday 11/11/24

Chance to Shine Cricket Sessions

After half-term, on Thursdays, all children will have 5 weeks' worth of Chance to Shine cricket sessions led by a qualified cricket coach. This is on top of their usual PE and forest school provision. Children should come to school in their appropriate PE kit/footwear on Thursdays. Please note that there will be a weekly session

Author Visit

On Wednesday, we were joined by author June McCleave, who spent time reading one of her books, *The Adventures of Pandora Pettigrew Puss Wuss*, which is based around a very inquisitive cat who travels from Groatland (Goathland) to Whitby in search of adventure. Children enjoyed hearing the story and understanding the reasons behind its creation – to raise funds to help experts at Newcastle University embark on research into cures for blood cancer. We look forward to welcoming June back to school to share some of the sequels to Puss Wuss' adventures!

Christmas Events

We are starting to confirm dates for Christmas events. You can see these in the diary section below.

End of Half-term

School is now closed for half-term. We will re-open on Monday 4th November.

Have a great half-term!

Mr Cooper

Stars of the Week

Acorns: Julia - for amazing singing during our Harvest Festival.

Lucy- for performing to an audience with such confidence and enjoyment during our Harvest Festival.

Oaks: Ted – for always being an enthusiastic learner and making positive contributions to all lessons.

Headteacher – Archie – for a super first half-term in Year 2, being a role model for all children!

Last week's reading winners

Oaks: Esmae & Emily

Attendance:

Our attendance this week was: 96.9%

Our attendance this year: 98.1%

National average for this year: 95.6%

Year Group winners: Year 1 & Year 5



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Headteacher timetable		
	Morning	Afternoon
Mon	Castleton	Goathland
Tues	Lythe	Goathland
Weds	Castleton all day	
Thurs	Goathland	Lythe
Fri	Lythe	Glaisdale

Next Week's Events

Monday

PE for Acorns please arrive in appropriate kit/footwear

Acorns: Sewing/Needlecraft Club with Mrs Moore

Oaks: Engineering Club with Mr Moore

Tuesday

Music Lessons with Mrs Lillie

Year 5/6 Forest School please arrive in appropriate kit/footwear

Art Club for Oaks

Wednesday

Signing Club

Year 6 Booster Club

Acorns Forest School please arrive in appropriate kit/footwear

Thursday

Choir Club

Library Van Visit

Cricket Sessions for Both Classes please arrive in appropriate kit/footwear

Friday

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 Jo Kevan (01287 660496 or jkevan@yeat.co.uk)



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Future Diary Dates

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

November

07/11: Chance to Shine Cricket Sessions Start

07/11: Library Van

11/11: Stay and Play

12/11: Whole school farm and fire safety afternoon

12/12: Stay and Play

13/12: Training Day

19/12: Christmas Lunch

December

03 & 04/12: Choir Singing to community/Abbeyfields

05/12: Panto Trip

06/12: Year 5/6 Basketball Event

09/12: Christmas afternoon performance (1:30pm)

10/12: Christmas evening performance (6:00pm)

Future Diary Dates

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

Remaining Term Dates 2024/25

- 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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