



# ESKDALE NEWS

*A place of belonging, a place of inspiration*

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome to the first newsletter of our new school year. As always, the start of term is busy and exciting for both pupils and staff and we look forward to sharing with you many events over the coming weeks and months.

We now have the facility to send secure emails, therefore if you do not currently receive emails and would like to, please contact us, with your child's name, at [admin@eskdale.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@eskdale.n-yorks.sch.uk)

## Head Teachers Welcome

Firstly I would like to say, what a pleasure it has been welcoming your children back to school on Tuesday. They looked refreshed, eager to get into lessons and ready to learn. I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome our new Year 7 students, and their families, to Eskdale School. We look forward to working with you over the next 5 years.

This summer Eskdale School's first ever Year 11 students sat their GCSE exams and we are pleased to announce that they were successful across the board. Staff and students celebrated their achievements on exam results day and it was an incredible accomplishment by all involved. Their achievements have allowed our students to take the next steps in their educational journey. I would like to thank staff, and our students families, for their support, and wish our very first (ex) Year 11's all the best for the future.

Eskdale school has a special place in the hearts of the community and we are incredibly lucky to have so much support from you. We want the very best for all our students and work tirelessly to help them. Your child's wellbeing is at the centre of everything we do. This academic year is another exciting new chapter in the history of Eskdale School, with the federation between ourselves and Caedmon College. This federation will allow both schools to combine skills to better serve the young people of Whitby. It is an exciting time to be part of Eskdale School.

With a new school year brings new students, but also marks the arrival of new staff. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome them to Eskdale. Alongside our new staff we are incredibly fortunate to have colleagues who have been long established at the school. These experienced colleagues know our students well and offer an incredible level of pastoral support. Should you have any concerns, please feel free to make contact with us.

I feel incredibly fortunate to be Head Teacher of Eskdale School, and it is a privilege to be given the opportunity to help shape and develop your child's educational experience and I look forward to working with you over the course of this school year.

**Andy Fyfe**

**Head Teacher**



# Eskdale School

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to all our Year 11's and a huge *well done* to the Child Development group who received their exam results over the summer. If this is a sign of things to come, then we are in a very strong position indeed.

During this academic year Eskdale School will be running it's Year 11 Intervention sessions for all students, across all subject areas. The interventions ran very successfully last year and for this year we have altered things only slightly, including the timings of the sessions, to create more opportunities for your child.

On Wednesdays, Year 11 students will meet in the main Hall at **3.25pm** and then be split into smaller groups across all subjects and receive 45 minutes of intervention with staff from that department. Additional to this we will run sessions on a Tuesday and Thursday from 2.55-3.25pm, during form time. The English department will take priority on a Wednesday with Maths and Science during form time sessions. **These sessions start this week.**

We fully understand the logistics and transport problems for our more rural families, but the success of last years intervention sessions shows us that attendance by our pupils is essential.

Key dates coming up include

- Year 11 Parents Evening on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 4.00-6.30pm
- Yr 11 Mock Exams starting on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December and finishing on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

*A formal results evening will be arranged with a date to follow for all parents and students to attend and receive results.*

I look forward to working closely with you all over the next few months, this year groups potential is huge and working together to support your son and daughter this year is the key to this potential being unlocked.

Please contact me at any point to discuss any of the above.

Yours sincerely,

Mr A Raw  
Head of Year 11

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Headteacher

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Year 11 Interventions began earlier this week. This letter was sent home via email.

If you would like to add your email to our parent system, please email us at

**[admin@eskdale.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@eskdale.n-yorks.sch.uk)**

with your child's name

# Diary Dates

Monday 9th September

Tuesday 10th September

Wednesday 11th September      Careers Event—All year groups

Thursday 12th September

Friday 13th September

Monday 16th September

Tuesday 17th September      Y11 Netball @ CCW  
Y8 & Y9 Football @ LLS 15:00 - 17:15

Wednesday 18th September

Thursday 19th September      Y7 & Y10 Football @ LLS 15:25 - 17:15

Friday 20th September



## Eskdale School

### Term Dates 2019/2020

#### AUTUMN TERM 2019

**Training Day**      **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**

Eskdale Opens (All Years)      Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Eskdale Closes      Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

#### HALF TERM BREAK

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

**Training Day**      **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

Eskdale Opens      Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November

**Training Day**      **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

Eskdale Closes      Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

#### CHRISTMAS BREAK

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2020**

#### SPRING TERM 2020

**Training Day**      **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January**

Eskdale Opens      Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January

Eskdale Closes      Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

#### HALF TERM BREAK

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

Eskdale Opens      Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February

Eskdale Closes      Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

#### EASTER BREAK

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April**

#### SUMMER TERM 2020

Eskdale Opens      Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April

**Bank Holiday**      **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

Eskdale Closes      Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

#### HALF TERM BREAK

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

Eskdale Opens      Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Eskdale Closes      Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

**Training Day**      **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

# School Information

## Important Notice - Dinner Money - Cheques

*We have been advised today that only cheques made payable to **NYCC** will be accepted by the school canteen. Cheques made payable to anything else will be returned.*

*Thank you for your cooperation*

### School Finance Dept

If you have any queries relating to payments (school trips/ school dinners etc) please contact our Finance Department on 01947 602130