

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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"Children are at the centre of all we do."

NEWSLETTER December 3rd 2021

A paper newsletter will be sent home each Friday, you may wish to isolate this for 48 hours before reading it. This will also be on the school website. www.westheslertonschool.co.uk

NEW COVID ARRANGEMENTS

Due to new variants and local Covid data, NYCC have advised us to introduce new precautionary measures.

School must report Covid cases each day and must work with health protection teams if we have an outbreak. If there is a number of positive cases at school or in the area, further control measures will be imposed. We are doing all we can to limit this.

Staff will wear masks when meeting with visitors to school. We ask parents to wear masks when dropping and collecting pupils from the school. All suspected close contacts of the Omicron variant will be asked to isolate for 10 days regardless of vaccination status or age. This means that we need to limit close contacts to allow everyone to have the Christmas they had planned. We are currently reviewing all activities and hope to share our plans soon.

Should you have **any positive Covid test results**, please share these with us using covid@heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk so that we can work with Health England. Emails are checked daily, including weekends, to identify cases of children at school and home.

Pupils, staff and other adults must not come into the school if they have one or more coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms. A PCR test should be arranged and pupils should stay away from school until the outcome is known. If positive, they should remain at home for at least 10 days.

SPECIAL LUNCH

On **Tuesday, December 7th** there will be a change to the menu. We will serve an all-day breakfast to children between 12 noon and 1.00pm:

Sausage, bacon, beans, hash brown, toast

PARKING

Once again we are asking that parents park in a responsible manner outside school, Parents have mentioned that cars remain parked outside school for a considerable length of time. As the weather is colder and wetter, please drop off your child and then move your vehicle to allow others to do the same. In order to limit contact, to keep everybody as safe as possible, please maintain clear pathways to and from school.

Thank you

PROVISIONAL DATES FOR THE END OF TERM

December 6 th	Post boxes open
December 8 th	New classes for year 2
December 15 th	Whole school visit to the Panto at Scarborough Spa.
December 16 th	School Christmas dinner for all pupils Nativity at West Heslerton church at 1.30 and 6pm
December 17 th	School party School closes for the Christmas holidays

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Many thanks to Matty Hood of MCSC for the excellent Let's Play club.
Next week is the last session for golf, Bible story and gymnastics, yoga ends on December 14th, (no session on December 7th).

Places for Spring term clubs have been confirmed via Dojo.

INTER-SCHOOL EVENTS

Any inter-school sports events planned for December have been cancelled due to covid.

If you require this in a different format, please contact the school office.

BADGER WOOD

The children burnt plenty of energy whilst learning martial art skills.



KEEPER WOOD

All the children had a taster martial arts session. They showed how great they are at following instructions.



FARTHING WOOD

A fabulous martial arts session this afternoon. Everyone showed exemplary manners and great effort.



Y2 PHONICS

Children in year 2 did not undertake the usual phonics check at the end of year 1 as this was postponed by the Government. This check has been recently carried out and the results for your child are attached.

SWIMMING

Well done to all the children who have tried so hard during the swimming lessons. Thank you to the staff and volunteers who have helped the children in and out of the pool.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Please see attached a booking form for Spring term 1 and a voucher for the term.

ATTACHED

Please find attached:

- Letter re London trip – Farthings
- After school club booking form and voucher
- Martial Arts flyer
- Y2 phonics letter