



“Children are at the centre of all we do.”

NEWSLETTER 28th NOVEMBER 2024

Our newsletter is also available to view on the school website at:

<https://heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk/parents/newsletters>

BADGER WOOD

87.38 %

KEEPER WOOD

92.73%

FARTHING WOOD

96.65%

DIARY DATES

Monday 2nd December, Community Coffee Morning at the village hall from 8:30am see box for details.

- Gymnastics Club YR – Y2.

Tuesday 3rd December, Stephen Joseph Theatre Drama Club Y1 – Y3.

- Fair Trade stall opens at morning break for all pupils.

Wednesday 4th December, Y5 & Y6 to Malton Community Sports Centre for Dodgeball.

Thursday 5th December, Swimming week 9 for Y1 – Y4.

- Wellness Drumming Club Y3 – Y6.

Friday 6th December, Friends meeting

Monday 9th December, Gymnastics Club YR – Y2 *last session*.

Tuesday 10th December, Stephen Joseph Theatre Drama Club Y1 – Y3 *last session*.

Wednesday 11th December, New Starters Day for Pre-Reception.

Thursday 12th December, Swimming week 10 and last, Y1 – Y4.

- Wellness Drumming Club Y3 – Y6 *last session*.

Friday 13th December, Fair Trade stall closes.

Wednesday 18th December, Christmas dinner for all children who have booked a meal previously.

Thursday 19th December, Pantomime at Scarborough Spa: Cinderella.

Friday 20th December, Christmas Party 1:15pm

- School closes for Christmas.

CHRISTMAS BREAK

Monday 6th January, Training Day.

Tuesday 7th January, School begins.

Thursday 11th January, Pop up library.

These are some of the dates we know. There may be changes so please check the school website and Dojo for details.

<http://www.heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk>

Y5 & Y6 DODGEBALL

Y5 & Y6 children will be playing Dodgeball at Malton Community Sports Centre (MCSC) on **Wednesday, 4th December**.

The children will travel with Fletcher's coaches and be accompanied by Mrs Wardell and Mrs Nutt. We will leave school at 12.30pm and return for the end of the school day.

Pupils will need to take their own inhalers if necessary. School carries insurance for all school trips. In case of emergency please contact the school.

LATE ARRIVALS

If you arrive late to school and the playground gate has been closed, an adult please needs to bring children to the school office to ensure they are signed into school.

FRIENDS

Please join us to make up the raffle hampers followed by a meeting to discuss fundraising events and draw the raffle prizes. Preschoolers, parents and wider community members welcome.

REMINDER – RAFFLE TICKETS

Please can raffle tickets be returned by **Friday 6th December ahead of the draw on the same day!** Thank you.

YORK MINSTER CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

We have again been lucky enough to be invited to take part in the Christmas Tree Festival at York Minster. All children have created an individually named bauble to show what brings them peace and happiness. These will be placed on our tree and displayed throughout the festive season. The festival will open to the public on **Saturday 30th November**. There will be a special *family friendly Saturday* service at 10am on this date, to which all participating organisations are invited. The festival will run until **Sunday 5th January 2025**.

Entrance to the Minster is free to participating organisations. Please pop along and state 'West Heslerton School' for you and your family to access this marvellous festive event and view your child's work on display.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Dear Friends,

We will be holding a Special Service to mark the beginning of Advent. (Service of the word)

All Saints Church, West Heslerton, Sunday 1st December @ 6.30 pm.

We would be delighted if you could join us.

Looking forward to seeing you.
Every blessing, Roger Sugden

FEAST HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD THIS CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

On **Monday 25th November** North Yorkshire Together issued vouchers to all families whose children/young people are eligible for free places on FEAST activities this Christmas. You should have received this via email or text, from a platform called Holiday Activities. Follow the link in this email/text to redeem your voucher and book your child's place on some of the fantastic activities on offer in our area.

Don't worry if there's a waiting list - it doesn't always mean that an activity is full. To ensure that a wide range of families get to take part in FEAST, providers wait a number of days after vouchers are issued before accepting any bookings. Please request a place and you should receive a notification from Holiday Activities if your place is confirmed.

If you believe your child is eligible and you have not yet received your voucher, or you have lost it, please contact the school office.



CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

WEST HESLERTON VILLAGE HALL

SUNDAY DECEMBER 1ST 2024

1pm until 4pm

Craft/gift stalls
Refreshments available
All welcome.

PARENTING SMART

Parenting can be joyful but also very hard. Each week we aim to bring you a link that may be useful to you to find your way. This week's short clip is about problem solving.

[Problem solving with children | Place2Be's Parenting Smart \(youtube.com\)](#)

BADGER WOOD


The children have used their geographical map skills to play a hide and seek game with a duck in a woolly hat 🦆! They worked really well in pairs and used team work and showed perseverance.



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Free Parenting Clinics

with
Anisa Lewis
Positive Parenting
www.anisalewis.com



December
5th @ 12.30 pm
Emotions

What is going on with your child's emotions?
One minute they are happy the next they are talking back or having a tantrum!

Are you wondering why your child's emotional outbursts come just as you are trying to get everyone out of the door, at the end of the school day or quite frankly you know it is coming you can sense it, then BOOM!

Join Anisa (Parenting Coach) on December, 5th for her monthly Free Parenting Clinic. This talk will focus on emotions and what we can do to support ourselves and our young people.

Join us on Zoom, for the 30-minute talk.

Book here:
<https://anisalewis.os.me/theclinic>
or
email: hello@anisalewis.com for the booking link

Can't attend live, register anyway, the replay is sent out to all that book into the clinic.



Monday 2 December 2024 at 08:30
**Community Coffee Morning-
Early doors**
Public · Event by West Heslerton Village Hall

What to expect

Starting early for this event in response to a request from Friends of West Heslerton School. We will run until the usual end time with our normal fayre of bacon butties, toasted teacakes and hot drinks

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HELP A CHILD TO READ WELL

Even before Covid, 1 in 4 children left primary school unable to read well. The situation is now much worse, especially for the most disadvantaged children.

Children's literacy charity, Schoolreaders places volunteers to listen to children read in primary schools, focusing on schools with the greatest need. We need your help today to change children's life stories tomorrow.

Become a Schoolreaders volunteer.

Follow us on social media.

Donate!



www.Schoolreaders.org

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FARTHING WOOD

We have been very creative this week: measuring and sawing wood for our miniature bird hide and decorating our 'happiness' baubles for York Minster.



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FLU CATCH-UP COMMUNITY CLINICS

The festive season is a time for travelling, visiting family, and gathering with loved ones – but it's also the perfect opportunity for the flu to spread. With packed trains, busy airports, and close contact at family gatherings, the risk is higher than ever.

Making sure your child has had their flu vaccine is the best way to protect yourself and those you care about.

Stay Well:

Keep the festive spirit alive without the misery of flu.

Protect Others:

Especially children, the elderly, and those more vulnerable.

Stop the Spread:

Help prevent flu outbreaks this holiday season

If your child missed their flu vaccination at school, you can book an appointment at one of our community clinics.

For our clinic locations and contact details for the Vaccination UK team please follow the links below:



<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/catch-up-clinics>

Immunisation Provider for
NHS

YORK MINSTER CHRISTMAS TREE

We are taking part in the York Minster Christmas Tree Festival again.

Every child has made a bauble to show what makes them happy. Bryleigh, Jake and Paige used all of our baubles today to decorate our tree. Our tree is no 59, located next to the entrance to the crypt.



KEEPER WOOD

MUSIC

We learnt about the music alphabet, only 7 letters A-G! We practised the melodic ostinato (repeating pattern) on our keyboard cards before playing this on the tuned percussion to our African song, Welcome here today.



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NEW YEARS SPECIAL GYMNASTICS CLUB

2nd January 9:00-14:00pm - Day Club

BOOKINGS OPEN

AT WOLDS GYMNASTICS CLUB, DRIFFIELD

BOOK HERE

www.harrysheader.co.uk/clubs

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