

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER December 16th 2022

DIARY DATES

Thursday 5th January – School reopens.

- Police visit in Badger Wood.

Monday 9th January – Key Stage 1 Gymnastic Club begins.

Thursday 12th January – Key Stage 2 Multi Skills Sports Club begins.

Dates for next term are available on the website and on Dojo.

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

COOL MILK

Milk is provided free of charge for pupils under the age of 5. As your child turns 5, this stops immediately.

How to register:

If your child is under five:

- Register online at www.coolmilk.com
- Register by a Tuesday at 5pm for your child's free milk to start the following week
- Free milk will continue until the Friday before your child's fifth birthday. You will receive a payment request four weeks before their birthday - if you wish your child to continue to receive school milk, simply make a payment

If your child is five or older:

- Register and pay online at www.coolmilk.com
- You can pay Cool Milk either online, over the phone or at a local PayPoint in half-termly, termly or annual instalments.
- Please pay by a Tuesday at 5pm for your child's milk to start the following week

CHRISTMAS DINNER

A big thank you to Mr Dale for a delicious Christmas Dinner!

THANK YOU

Thank you to Friends of School for funding the pantomime tickets and bus. A great time was had by all.

We have been very lucky this year, Friends of School managed to contact Santa who found time in his busy schedule to visit school. Gifts were handed out to all children.

FOREST SCHOOL KIT

Forest school kit has been sent home. Please include winter items: hats, gloves, welly socks or extra socks. Please check that clothing still fits! Your child will need their kit and wellies back in school on the first day back, **Thursday 5th January 2023.**

SCHOOL CLOSURE

We have managed wintry weather this term, occasionally school needs to close due to issues with local roads, heating etc. We will post a message on Class Dojo should school need to close. Children arriving late, must be brought to the office by a parent who can check that school is open. The parent will be required to sign their child / ren into school.

YOUNG VOICES

Here is the playlist so that you can have a singalong at home should you wish!

<https://open.spotify.com/album/1MrGxAUWIWd9ZRxeIWwT9D>

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

NATIVITY



PHOTOS IN PRESS

To celebrate the festive season, the Scarborough Evening News will be printing this Nativity picture on Thursday December 22nd. This is available to buy in all retail outlets at £1.70 a copy from December 22nd until Wednesday December 28th (subject to availability). If you cannot get out to get a copy or need to order any to be posted to relatives, postal copies can be ordered by calling the contact centre on 0330 403 3004.

YORK MINSTER

Each West Heslerton Primary School pupil has their work featured on our very own Christmas Tree inside York Minster this festive season. Every child has been involved in creating a mini picture of themselves to hang on the tree. Older pupils have created other features to help visitors to the festival understand where our community lives. All participating students and families will gain free entry to the festival. You need to state you have taken part in tree 2. You may wish to plan a visit to York during December to view their achievements. Details of the festival can be found here: <https://yorkminster.org/whats-on/event/the-york-minster-christmas-tree-festival/>

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YEDINGHAM SERVICE



*St John the Baptist Yedingham
Carol Service - Monday 19th December at 6.30
Christmas Day mass at 9.00 a.m.*

HELP WITH COST OF LIVING

Working with partners across the county, North Yorkshire County Council are offering information on a wide variety of support schemes which may be able to help or advise if you are struggling to pay for essentials. Some of these include:

- Advice on money, debt or benefit entitlement
- Advice on free school meals and childcare cost
- Free Wi-Fi and digital support information
- Information on transport and reduced commuting costs
- Energy saving and food
- Community based support

More information about what support and advice is available to you can be provided by your local **Community Support Organisation**. Please visit: www.northyorks.gov.uk/cost-living-support for further details.

Community Organisations and registered venues across North Yorkshire are opening their doors and extending their usual opening hours to provide a "Warm Welcome" to those in need.

The Warm Welcome Campaign is the community response to the cost of living crisis, offering free, warm and welcoming spaces to the public this winter. Organisations include Libraries, Food Banks and Community Churches enabling members of the public to access computers, free Wi-Fi and food and drinks.

To find your nearest space or to register your organisation please visit: www.warmwelcome.uk

More information about support available can be found at: www.northyorks.gov.uk/cost-living-support or you can contact your local Community Support Organisation for further details.

We are here to help - let us support you.

For any other information or assistance please call 01690 780 780

FAMILY CIRCUMSTANCES – FREE SCHOOL MEALS

With many families facing financial hardship as the cost of living increases, NYCC are doing all that they can to ensure that every family that is eligible to claim Free School Meals (FSM) for their child is benefiting from this additional help.

With this in mind they have made it easier for parents to apply for a free school meal.

The application process means that all applications are now made electronically. In just a few steps parents will receive an almost instant decision on whether their application has been successful. All children are eligible for free school meals if they're in reception class; year 1; or year 2. but we still ask that you apply using this form to prevent your child's school missing out on additional funding.

The application can be accessed immediately here: <https://fisportal.northyorks.gov.uk/Synergy/SynergyWeb/>