

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER February 4th 2022

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

STAFF

Miss Trueman will be working in Badger Wood each day from next week. She will replace Mr Webborn who has resigned his GTA post. We are delighted that he will continue to run our after school club. We wish him well with his new ventures.

This arrangement will continue until a new appointment has been made.

School vacancies are advertised on the NYCC website.

We have vacancies for relief teaching assistants at West Heslerton School to be available to work in school as and when needed. If you would be interested in such a role, or know of someone else who may be, please contact the school office for further details and application forms.

DOJO

School sometimes has to send messages to parents via Dojo, such as covid cases, club confirmation and cancellation. Please check regularly to keep up to date.

PARENT EVENING

Miss Shackley is looking forward to speaking to parents on Monday this week.

PRIVACY NOTICE

The newly updated Covid privacy notice has been published on the school website.

YEAR 6 SATS

There will be a year 6 SATs information evening on **Thursday, 10th February**. This will be online from 4-4.30pm and a link has been sent via Dojo to parents of year 6 pupils.

COVID

Covid cases have reduced and we are doing all we can to help maintain this. **Classrooms are well ventilated, therefore please wear extra layers every day!**

The wearing of wear masks when dropping and collecting pupils from the school is currently voluntary but may need to be reintroduced if numbers increase.

Should you have **any positive Covid test results**, please share these with us using **covid@heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk**

Pupils, staff and other adults must not come into the school if they have one or more coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms. Government guidelines for testing must be followed. If positive, please remain at home for at least 5 days and 2 negative tests.

Children who are at home due to covid will have work set on Dojo. If well enough they can access this through their login (not the parents login) and submit any work via their portfolio please.

SCHOOL MEALS

Pupils' choice for pudding on Thursday next week is: orange cake

WOODLAND HOLIDAY CLUB

Confirmation of places has been sent via Dojo to those who requested a place.

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

BADGER WOOD

CHINESE NEW YEAR

A dragon dance in Badger Wood!



KEEPER WOOD

MAZE BUILDING

The children have been working to create a maze/labyrinth for a minotaur. They had to create dead ends and obstacles within the maze.



FARTHING WOOD

Children going on the London Trip will receive an update before the end of half term. Please keep your payments coming in via Parent Pay.

As part of our DT we have thought about the food that is eaten at Chinese New Year and how, and why, they eat these. We had lots of fun!



HESLERTON AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

This week we have been planting apple and plum trees at school, and learning what soil and chalk are, why it gets rockier as we dig deeper, and why fruit trees are grafted.



BOOK SWAP

Mr Grimshaw has kindly made a bookcase in the parent shelter. This is to provide a book swap for parents and children. Please add and swap books to help all ages to enjoy reading.



MATHS THROUGH STORIES SESSION

Thursday 3rd March 3.45-5.45pm

Join Dr. Natthapoj Vincent for an online session
Thursday 3rd March 3:45-5:45 Maths Through Stories

Whether you are an experienced teacher, a teacher trainee, a teacher educator or a parent, we hope you will find this session interesting and useful. We want to share with you the benefits of teaching and learning mathematics through stories and creative writing, as well as to offer practical ideas for teachers and parents on how to embrace this approach.

Dr. Natthapoj Vincent Trakulphadetkrai is Associate Professor of Mathematics Education at the University of Reading. His research interests are centred around the use of storytelling (particularly in the story picture book format) to help enrich mathematics teaching and learning experiences. He founded the MathsThroughStories.org initiative back in 2015, and officially launched its website in March 2017.

Follow this link to book your place

- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/maths-through-stories-dr-natthapoj-vincent-trakulphadetkrai-associate-p-tickets-255086499587>

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact
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ATTACHED

Please find attached:

- Club letters
- Children's University work books for those registered
- Primary Times

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