



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

NEWSLETTER 23rd FEBRUARY 2024

BADGER WOOD

97.46%

KEEPER WOOD

94.06%

FARTHING WOOD

94.59%

A LOVELY COMMENT RECEIVED

Just wanted to say how much the children are enjoying their music lessons with Mrs Durant. They come home enthusiastically singing a new song every week and are clearly getting much joy from what they learn. Thank you!

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

Welcome back after the half term break, we hope you all had a relaxing holiday and are ready for the half term ahead.

DIARY DATES

Monday 26th February, Friends meeting 2:30pm all welcome

Wednesday 28th February, Fair Trade stall arrives

Thursday 7th March, World Book Day

Friday 8th March, Friends' Whole school disco, 3:30-5pm

Thursday 14th March, Pop up library

Wednesday 20th March, Bag2school collection

Friday 22nd March, Easter Service 1:30pm

These are some of the dates we know. There may be changes and additions to these as the term progresses. Please check the school website and Dojo for details.

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

SCHOOL DISCO

On **Friday 8th March** Friends of School will be hosting a disco for pupils from 3:30 – 5pm in the school hall. Please bring clothing to change into in a named bag. We will ask for £2.50 per child to cover costs including snacks. Please pay via ParentPay by Monday 4th March so that we are aware of numbers to cater for. This event is for pupils of West Heslerton school only. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle for refilling, snacks will be provided. Thank you to the Friends for organising this event.

SENT HOME

Attendance sheets
FW & KW lunch slips

RYEDALE FOODBANK IN MALTON

Ryedale Foodbank in Malton are trying to reach more people in need of food vouchers as they have enough supplies to support more than those who are currently accessing the service.

As well as food, people access companionship and stop and have a tea or coffee with the volunteers when they pop in. The food bank can also offer taxis or even deliveries where need is identified. If you know of anybody in need, please share this information. Our school can complete the referral form for anyone we deem in need. Let's look out for everyone and share our community spirit with all.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

The Children's University is a free scheme offered to children in Year 1 to Year 6 and beyond. It encourages children to choose to do lots of learning outside of school and collect evidence of learning in their CU scrapbook and CU passport.

In our recent passport check, May, Alina and Oisin gained their bronze award, Ellie-Grace gained her silver award and Jessica gained her diamond award. They were presented with their badges in front of the whole school in worship. Well done to you all!

REMINDER – CLUB FORMS

Please note that after Easter we will be using ParentPay as a booking system for Forest School Club and sports clubs.

We will be uploading a user guide onto Dojo, to provide step by step instructions on how to book after school club sessions.

FARTHING WOOD

Farthing Wood were visited by Kevin Hollinrake, our local MP. We asked him lots of questions, some of them very challenging!!!! It was extremely interesting to find out about him and what he does. He encouraged and inspired the children to take an interest in their local area and to try to make a difference, however small.



KEEPER WOOD

FOREST SCHOOLS

What a great afternoon showing super teamwork. We all collected sticks to create a labyrinth/ mazes while groups made Greek pancakes with Mrs Botham. Everyone was very keen to make these at home.



BADGER WOOD

FOREST SCHOOL

We wrapped up warm and collected natural materials to create a picture. The children worked well in teams deciding on their designs.



MENU CHANGE

Please note the school cooked lunch on **Wednesday 28th February** will be Roast Chicken instead of Roast Pork.

A colorful poster for the Busy Bee Craft Club. The background features various craft supplies like watercolor paints, pens, and pencils. The text is arranged in a circular layout. At the top, it says "BUSY BEE CRAFT CLUB" and "NORTON HIVE LIBRARY". Below that, it provides contact information: "01609 534 552" and "nortoncommunitylibrary@gmail.com". The main event is "SATURDAY 24TH February 2024 Mothers' Day Crafts" from "10.30am until 12.30pm". It also includes instructions: "ON ARRIVAL PLEASE REGISTER YOUR CAR ON THE KEY PAD INSIDE THE LIBRARY". There are two circular callouts: one saying "BOOKING ESSENTIAL" and another saying "FOR CHILDREN 3 TO 11 YEARS". A red circular badge at the bottom right says "£1 PER CHILD".

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

WORLD BOOK DAY MENU



FEAST HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

All children receiving benefits-related Free School Meals are eligible for **FEAST** vouchers. **FEAST** vouchers provide activities and a meal during the holiday club booked. Transport can be provided for families without a car by booking online.

If you feel that your family have a significant financial disadvantage during school holidays and you wish for your child to receive vouchers for the coming Easter holidays, please contact Mrs Wells in confidence via Dojo, phone or popping in to school by **Monday 26th February**.

On **Monday 26th February**, vouchers will go live so that holiday activities can be booked.

Further information is available online here: <https://northyorkshiretogether.co.uk/feast/f-east-faqs/>

KITCHEN ASSISTANT

Would you like a job with an hourly rate of £11.59?

A contributory pension scheme?

Term time only to support with childcare?

We have a vacancy for a Catering Assistant at West Heslerton CP School to help prepare the lunches and assist the cook, where you would help to serve the children, general kitchen tasks such as washing up, up keeping the standards of the kitchen cleanliness and cleaning of the dining area after lunch. This role is for 7.5 hours per week, 1.5 per day

NYES Catering are proud to provide fresh, home cooked food to thousands of children across the North of England each day and you could contribute to our success. You will support the cook with a range of duties, from preparing ingredients, cooking, and baking, through to serving children and washing up. A truly varied and rewarding role! You will be supplied with uniform, safety footwear and all the training and support to ensure you are fully confident in your role.

For an informal discussion, please contact Sarah Hodges, Area Manager, on 07966188294. To apply for this role, please see NYCC job page or indeed website. **The closing date is 10th March 2024** and interview dates TBC

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



A Community Fridge is open in Rillington

For a variety of reasons, local businesses have surplus food products. Rather than these items going to landfill, our aim is to share them, through the Free Fridge, to the community.

Please note this is not a Food Bank.
Our fridge is open to everyone.

Open every Thursday 10:30 - 12:00
in Rillington Church Rooms.



EASY FUNDRAISING

West Heslerton School is registered with Easy Fundraising. This raises money for Friends of School each time you shop online, at no cost to the buyer.

HOW IT WORKS

We turn your daily shopping into every day magic!

easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand.

Brands pay us a commission because when you start your shop from the easyfundraising website or app, they can see we sent you to them. If you make a purchase, a commission is generated, and we turn that into a donation - magic!

The link below will take you to the site for full details.

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/donation-reminder/?utm_source=adobecampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=product-adoption&utm_content=desktopdr-080923&utm_source=adobecampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=donationreminder-2023&utm_content=desktopdr-080923&origin=PA741



[You shop. Your cause gets money. For free](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)
Get the Donation Reminder. It alerts you when donations are available.

www.easyfundraising.org.uk



Prize for best decorated EGG

Friends of West Heslerton School & Village Hall

EASTER TRAIL

& COFFEE AFTERNOON

West Heslerton Village Hall

Sunday 24th March

2:00pm – 4:00pm

£2 per child



Easter Egg Tombola

Friends of West Heslerton School
Agenda - Monday 26th February 2024

Present:

Apologies:

Annual Events to schedule:

1. Spring Disco
2. Sponsored Walk
3. Leavers Hoodies

New Events to discuss:

4. Easter Trail – joint fundraiser with Village Hall
5. Bingo Night including non-uniform day
6. Albanwise Open Farm Day
7. Summer Fair?
8. School trip

AOB:

9. Recipe book to sell at Christmas
10. Grants & Funding

Next meeting:

11. Monday 15th April at 2.30pm

HOME TO SCHOOL TRAVEL POLICY

North Yorkshire Council has commenced a consultation on proposed changes to the Council's Home to School Travel Policy. The necessary information can be found here on the Council's website:
<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/your-council/consultations-and-engagement/current-consultations/home-school-travel-policy-consultation>, together with an online survey form for your responses to the consultation and details of engagement events that will be held during the course of the consultation period.

The consultation closing date is **Friday 12 April**.

PACKED LUNCHES

If your child has a packed lunch, please will you ensure that they have a drink and any cutlery required please? NYC catering have informed us that they are unable to supply this to those not purchasing a school meal. Many thanks.

REMINDER WATER BOTTLES

All children need to have a water bottle each day. Please do not put these into book bags – we have had several accidents with water and school library books which we've had to ask parents to pay for.

COLOUR PRINTER

School has two colour printers that are no longer used. If one of these would be of use to you, please contact the school office.

FAIR TRADE STALL

The Fair Trade stall arrives on **Wednesday 28th February**. This will be a great opportunity for children to purchase gifts for Mother's Day (March 10th) or Easter.

ONLINE SAFETY

There are lots of useful guides for parents here <https://safetynet.skipseducational.org> to support safe internet use.

Skips Safety Net Keeping children safe online

A Parent's Guide to Fake News

IT'S ON THE INTERNET SO IT MUST BE TRUE!

FAKE NEWS

scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online

Don't believe everything you see online!

Young people can very easily be dragged into things without parental guidance and support.

Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

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

Early Years Communication and Interaction Drop-in for Parents

'Come and talk to us for advice and support around all aspects of your child's communication skills'.

Where & When

- 4th March 2024 1:00-4:30 at Eastfield Community Library, More than Books, High Street, Eastfield. Scarborough. YO11 3LL
- 17th April 2023 09:00-12:00 at Norton Children & Family Hub, Grove Street, Norton, Malton, YO17 9BG
- 24th April 2024 1:00-3:00 at Whitby & District Children's centre, Byland Road, Whitby, YO21 1HY

Who will be there?

Helen Hunter - Speech, Language & Communication Needs Specialist



Amancay Topping – Speech & Language Therapist

Charlotte McIntyre – Speech & Language Therapy Assistant

Zoe Green - Speech & Language Therapy Assistant

*Please contact us to book a slot, or any queries please ring
07977 710109 or email Helen.Hunter@northyorks.gov.uk
or Amancay.Topping@northyorks.gov.uk*

SPEECH WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS



Speech Sound Development Workshop


When should I refer a child?

How do speech sounds develop?

What can I do to support a child with speech sound difficulties?

How are speech sounds made?

What types of speech sound difficulties do children experience?



This e-learning course is suitable for

- * Professionals that work with children with speech sound difficulties
- * Parents of children with speech sound difficulties

The course gives a brief overview of how speech sounds are made/develop and advice and strategies to consider when working with children with speech sound difficulties.

Cost: Free; to professionals and parents in the York, Selby, Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale areas

Date and Time – Wednesday 20th March 2024 * 3.45pm – 5.15pm

For more information or to book a place, please contact us at yhs-tr.childrenstherapytraining@nhs.net

Please note this is an interactive session so you will need access to a camera and microphone to participate. **This course is offered as part of the child's speech and language therapy provision.**

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