



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

### NEWSLETTER 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2025

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

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

#### BADGER WOOD

83.25%

#### KEEPER WOOD

94.25%

#### FARTHING WOOD

92.31%

#### DIARY DATES

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March**, Community Cuppa and Slytherin Games (Snakes and Ladders)

- Gymnastics Club YR to Y2 week 4.

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March**, Fairtrade stall opens.

- Drama Club Y3 – Y6 week 4.

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March**, Pop up library.

- Revd Cate Turner in pm.

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March**, Red Nose Day, wear red items and red noses if you wish.

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March**, Gymnastics Club YR to Y2 week 5.

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**, FW to Malton Secondary School.

- Drama Club Y3 – Y6 week 5.

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March**, Fairtrade stall – last day.

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March**, New Starter Day for pre – reception children starting after Easter.

- Friends meeting 2:30pm
- Gymnastics Club YR to Y2 week 6, last session this term.

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**, Drama Club Y3 – Y6 week 6, last session this term.

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**, Last day to buy roller disco tickets – on ParentPay.

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April**, Easter service 1:30pm at church.

- East Barnby – Full payment due.
- School closes for the Easter break.

There may be changes to these dates. Please check the school website and Dojo for details.

FRIENDS OF WEST HESLERTON SCHOOL PRESENTS

# Easter Roller Disco

- £5 per child
- Skate hire included
- Easter egg tombola
- Refreshments

1-2 pm Saturday  
5th April

Ryedale Sports Centre, Pickering

TICKETS AVAILABLE ON PARENT PAY

Please note that this event is non-refundable.

#### REMINDER - FAIRTRADE STALL

The Fairtrade stall returns again and opens on March 18<sup>th</sup>. This is a chance for children to purchase a surprise gift for parents for Easter and gifts for Mothers' Day (March 30<sup>th</sup>). Items are priced £1 to £6.

#### THANK YOU TO FRIENDS

A big thank you to Friends for organising the school disco. A brilliant time was had by all!

#### AFTER SCHOOL FOREST CHILDCARE CLUB

All children can have a free session at the after-school forest club each term. To utilise your child's free after school club session, please contact the school office to book. Please specify if you would like to book for 1 hour or 2 hours. One free session is offered per child per term, subject to availability.

**Please state that you would like to use your free session at the time of booking. Thank you.**

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

## GYMNASTICS HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Gymnastic coaches providing clubs in school are hosting holiday events. These are held in Driffield and available to book online.



### EGG-CELLENT GYMNASTICS CAMP!

Spring into action this Easter half-term with our Gymnastics Technique Clinics and Egg-cellent Gymnastics Day Camp! 🌟 Whether your child wants to perfect their skills or enjoy a fun-filled day of gymnastics, we've got the perfect sessions for them.

**Technique Clinics** – Focus on key gymnastics skills with expert coaching.

**Egg-cellent Gymnastics Day Camp** – A full day of flips, fun, and Easter-themed activities!

Bookings open NOW! Spaces are limited and always go fast. Don't miss out!

[Book Now!](#)

Please book at <https://www.harrysheader.co.uk/>

## NORTH YORKSHIRE OUTDOOR LEARNING SERVICE EASTER ACTIVITIES

North Yorkshire Outdoor Learning Service have a range of experiences planned to get young people and their families active and in touch with nature this Easter. Family Activity Days are the perfect solution for spending quality time together taking on a challenge in the great outdoors making memories that will last a lifetime. Join the team on a canoe journey at East Barnby near Whitby and get 10% off your Family Activity Day booking using the code 'Hello10'.

Adventure Club will keep your young people busy with activities that could include climbing, caving, high ropes, river scrambling and water sports such as canoeing and sailing. They'll make new friends, challenge themselves and learn a whole range of different skills. All while having lots of fun!

There are also three exciting courses available for young people to try this Easter – rock skills, paddle sports and sailing. Find out more about what's on and when at [www.outdoored.co.uk/schoolholidays](http://www.outdoored.co.uk/schoolholidays) and get ready for an unforgettable outdoor experience like no other!

## DOJO MESSAGES

To let school know of pupil illness or changes in arrangements, please phone school (the school answer phone is available 24 hours a day) or pop into the office. Dojo messages are sent to individual staff and cannot be accessed by others if staff are ill, on courses or part time etc. Thank you.

## 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 starting and leaving primary.

[Helping your child when they start or change primary school | Place2Be's Parenting Smart \(youtube.com\)](#)

## COMMUNITY CUPPA

Residents of all ages, parents and pre-schoolers are invited to join us at the village hall for a cuppa, a chat and a game of snakes and ladders.

**Slytherin Games**

Monday 17th March  
2.15 to 3.15  
West Heslerton  
Village Hall

Turning equations into a fun interactive game to play with your children!  
What's involved...  
Come along to the session for a game of snakes and ladders with a twist!  
This is no ordinary game - to be able to move through the board you must work out the equations!

The poster includes a green snake, a ladder, and mathematical equations:  $2x + 4y = 0$ ,  $x + y = ?$ , and a grid with numbers and snakes.

## BADGER WOOD

### VISIT FROM THE VET

It is all about animals this week. We have had a visit from Ryedale Vets. They talked to us about what important things our pets need. We also bandaged up some poorly limbs and tails before asking some questions.



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



## KEEPER WOOD

### FOREST SCHOOLS 🌲

Tripod lashing, den building and campfire doughnuts.



## FARTHING WOOD

Two activities this afternoon: putting up a tipi tent and using a fire to produce char cloth and dyed wool.



## PARENT CARER VOICE

### SEND support

For those families with children with specific needs, Special Educational Needs and Disabilities support (SEND) can be hard to find, follow or understand. The parentcarer voice group can provide support to families to find the information they need. Their contact details are here. The parentcarer voice group will also attend our Open Evening in the summer term so that everyone feels supported.

**parentcarer voice**  
NORTH YORKSHIRE  
WORKING TOGETHER FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

**We are the recognised Parent Carer Forum for North Yorkshire, supporting families with children and young people (0-25 years old) with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND).**

**What we do:**  
We ensure that parents and carers voices, opinions and experiences are accounted for in NYC's SEND services through co-production, strategy meetings and steering groups including:

- Autism Strategy
- All Age Carers Strategy
- Inclusive Practice Framework
- North Yorkshire Adult Learning
- Preparing for Adulthood
- Partnership for the Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINs)
- SEND Employment Forum
- Dingley's Promise
- Re-design of NYC's Local Offer

**What we offer to our members:**  
Wellbeing sessions  
Training  
Information on all aspects of SEND from Wills and Trusts to School Engagement and most importantly, a platform to have your voices and experiences heard where it will make a difference.

For more information and to become a member:  
[www.parentcarer voiceuk.org](http://www.parentcarer voiceuk.org) / [info@parentcarer voiceuk.org](mailto:info@parentcarer voiceuk.org)

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**WHAT WE DO**  
We work to ensure that lived experiences, voices and views of Parent Carers are represented in decision making, service design and process improvement for SEND, Health and Social Care across our County.  
We run virtual and face to face events, training and information sessions across North Yorkshire which inform and empower Parent Carers. We have a dedicated 'events' section on our website along with regular event posts on Facebook.

**CONTACT US**  
For more information and to become one of our members, please visit [www.parentcarer voiceuk.org](http://www.parentcarer voiceuk.org) or 'scan the QR Code'

📞 07396 641232

📘 Parent Carer Voice North Yorkshire

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## FRIENDS MEETING NOTES

### Friends of West Heselton School Meeting Minutes – Thursday 6th March 2025

Present: Emma Pennock, Anna Tindall, Rosie Pease, Chloe Stockdale, Emma Johnston

Apologies: Emma Nutt, Victoria Malthouse, Kerry Stonehouse

#### Annual Events to discuss:

- Spring Disco – 69 children attended, DJ Terry played everyone's song choices. Pop up tuck shop well received; total profit £167.
- Easter Celebration – Roller disco at Pickering Sports Centre. 1-2pm. Easter Egg Tombola, parents to donate Easter Eggs. Tuck shop (crisps, cans of pop, sweets, chocolate bars, ice pops £1 or 50p). Parents to bring cash.
- Bag 2 School – collections booked for Thursday 8th May & Thursday 6th November. EP to put note out on WhatsApp & remind parents what items are accepted. Please can school do the same on Dojo / newsletter?
- Bingo – Monday 16th June at Ryedale Bowls Club. 7pm onwards. Raffle prizes will be required. Non uniform day on 23rd May in lieu of raffle prizes.
- School Summer Trip – RW looking into options.
- Sponsored Walk - Friday 4th July, family & friends welcome to join us. Prize for the class who raises the most sponsorship money.

#### AOB:

- Meeting days & times – we trialled an evening meeting at The Dawnay Arms to reach out to working parents, but this was unsuccessful.

Next meeting: **Monday 31st March in school at 2:30pm**

## GUIDE DOGS

We were lucky to have a visit from a Guide Dog for the Blind today. Ann (and her friend Judith) brought Milly the retriever to see us. We have held a raffle to raise money to support this charity with a donation. Thank you to all of the families that entered the competition. The envelope was opened today in our school assembly. The winning name was Clover and this had been chosen by Bella. This raised £60 for Guide Dogs for the Blind.





### WIN A MEERKAT EXPERIENCE!

Badger Wood have recently visited Bridlington Animal Park. The park have gifted school a voucher for a meerkat experience, worth £45. This is for 1 person and expires at the end of July. Friends of School would wish to raffle this. Squares will be available at school, please send £1 in a named envelope to the office. These squares will also be sold at their Roller Disco and drawn at this event. Good luck everybody!

### RUGBY

England Rugby

# T1 RUGBY (TOUCH RUGBY)

# FREE

YEARS  
5 (U10)  
6 (U11)  
7 (U12)



## RUGBY TASTERS

SATURDAY'S 9.30 - 11AM  
26TH APRIL  
3RD MAY  
10TH MAY  
17TH MAY

TASTERS ARE PERFECT FOR NEWER GIRLS AND BOYS TO EXPLORE RUGBY AT THEIR OWN SPEED.

INFO OR BOOK - ROB maltonandnortonrufc@outlook.com



## Easter Fair

Are you coming to the best easter fair in the WORLD

Hook a duck



Cute bunny



Anyone is welcome!!!



Plant Shop

Cucumbers  
Tomatoes  
Herbs



Don't need much money!

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 6:15-7:15pm

Sherburn Sports Club

All money raised goes towards providing activities and resources for 1<sup>st</sup> Sherburn Rainbows and Brownies

### NITS

Please can we ask parents to check their children's hair regularly and keep their children's hair tied back? Head lice are transmitted by head-to-head contact so these precautions will reduce your child getting them. Once nits are gained they are hard to get rid of. We'd like to reduce the work needed for everyone. Guidance for dealing with them is wet combing for the whole of the family. Further details are here <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

### SCHOOL MEALS

We are aware of some feedback on school meals and are currently working upon these. Please pass on any concerns via phone, dojo or in person at the school and we can act upon these promptly.

### SCHOOL GOVERNORS

We are lucky to have a skilled board of Governors who are committed to the school. Our board is made up of:  
Church Governors: Ian Pennock  
LA Governor: Ann Andrews  
Staff Governors: Rachel Wells, Jo Bickerton  
Parent Governors: Louisa Todd, Emma Nutt.  
Please contact all Governors at the school should you wish for them to help you or hear of your suggestions. We currently have a vacancy for a parent Governor. Should you or anybody you know be interested in this Governor post, please contact the school office.

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**BAG 2 SCHOOL**  
**FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS**  
 In partnership with your school or organisation



West Heslerton C E Primary School  
 Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS (THERE IS NO LIMIT).

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

**We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:**

Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

*(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)*

*The more we weigh the more we pay!  
 Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit*

*Please return your Bag2School on:*

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

01609 780 222    www.bag2school.com    helpdesk@bag2school.com

**MALTON LIBRARY** AGES 6+

**EASTER DIGITAL QUACKERY**

**TUESDAY 15TH APRIL**  
**10AM TO 12 NOON**

Come and have a go at animating ducks using our micro:bits!

Drop-in Session  
**NO BOOKING REQUIRED**

**Free!**

**Easter Trail**

@ Malton Library  
 Sat 05th April - Wed 16th April

During opening hours

**Come and find the clues around the library to win an Easter prize!**

**Malton Library**  
 Mon 9.30-5 Tues 9.30-7 Weds 9.30-5 Thurs CLOSED Fri 9.30-5 Sat 9.30-12.30

**What's on in April**

**WE WILL BE CLOSED FOR EASTER FROM 5PM ON WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL AND WILL RE-OPEN AT 9.30AM ON TUESDAY 22 APRIL**

**EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES 5-16 APRIL**

- Easter Egg Trail**  
 Saturday 5th - Wednesday 16th  
 Search for clues around the library to crack our Easter Egg Trail! Once completed, make sure to also borrow a book then you can claim your prize!
- Lego Club**  
 Wednesday 9th and 16th, 1-3pm  
 Come and have a go at some of our LEGO activities! We also have Duplo for younger children.
- Adult Learning Services Family Craft Session\***  
 Friday 11th, 10am-12noon Ages 5+  
 Book direct with adult learning for this fun hands on crafting session!
- Digital Quackery: Easter Drop-In**  
 Tuesday 15th, 10am-12noon Ages 6+  
 Come and have a go at animating ducks using our micro:bits!

**REGULAR SESSIONS**

- Children's Stay and Play Session, Mondays during term time, 10.30am-11.30am
- Children's Storytime and Crafts, Tuesdays during term time, 10.30am
- Sight Support Drop In, Last Tuesday of the month 10am-12noon
- Pins & Needles Craft Club, Tuesdays 5pm-7pm
- IT Help Appointments\*, Wednesdays 1pm-3pm, Fridays 12pm-2pm
- Lego Club, Wednesdays 1pm-3pm and Saturdays 10am-12noon
- Next Steps Drop In, Last Friday of the month 10am-12noon

*\*Booking essential, please email or phone the library*

Find us on Facebook    01609 534565    NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL    Malton Library St Michael Street Malton YO17 7LJ

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