



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

NEWSLETTER 21ST MARCH 2025

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

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

BADGER WOOD

94.09%

KEEPER WOOD

98.2%

FARTHING WOOD

89.56%

DIARY DATES

Monday 24th March, Gymnastics Club YR to Y2 week 5.

Tuesday 25th March, FW to Malton Secondary School.

- Drama Club Y3 – Y6 week 5.

Wednesday 26th March, Fairtrade stall – last day.

Friday 28th March, All school library books to be returned

- Last date for parent Governor nominations

Monday 31st March, New Starter Day for pre – reception children starting after Easter.

- Gymnastics Club YR to Y2 week 6, last session this term.

Tuesday 1st April, Drama Club Y3 – Y6 week 6, last session this school year.

Wednesday 2nd April, Last day to buy roller disco tickets – on ParentPay.

Friday 4th April, Easter service 1:30pm at church.

- Year 3/4 East Barnby Visit – 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.

FAIRTRADE STALL

Wednesday 26th March will be the last day of our very successful Fairtrade stall.

This is a chance for children to purchase a surprise gift for parents for Easter and gifts for Mothers' Day (March 30th). Items are priced £1 to £6.

EARLY BIRDS LAUNCH

We have recently applied for an NYC grant to trial providing **morning childcare** before the start of school. We're delighted this has been approved and look forward to providing childcare from 8am to 8:30 each school day. Our 'Early Birds' option will be provided by Miss Mitchell and Mrs G, teaching assistants known to the children. This will start straight after Easter. Children must be booked in ahead so that staff know who to expect and staffing ratios can be maintained. Please book via ParentPay as you normally would book the after school club. Children will arrive and be signed in by staff at the front door and play board games in the hall. At 8:30 staff will take them to the playground to play outdoors as they usually do before school. Initially, this 'Early Birds' option will be provided for up to 16 children each day at a highly subsidised cost of £2 per session per child. As this is subsidised there are no sessions available at no cost. The Governing Board hope that this will help them to see if there is enough long-term demand for this service. Please get booking!

To view this club please log into your ParentPay account and click the three bars at the top left. Click payer dashboard, select the name of the child, click clubs. Many thanks

FRIENDS' EASTER EGGS

The Friends have organised a Roller Disco for all pupils as an Easter Celebration. They have planned an Easter Egg Tombola on the day and would ask parents to donate Easter Eggs. Please bring these to school or to the event.

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.

Previous attachment

One Call Away
01723 850155

Adult Carer Service
For Unpaid Carers aged 18+

Young Adult Carers
For Unpaid Carers aged 18-30

Parent Carer Forum
Neurodiversity Workshop

Join James Koppert and Carers Plus Yorkshire for our next Parent Carer Forum!

Challenges of Parenting a neurodivergent child.

James has a diagnosis of ADHD, is a parent of a child with neurodiverse conditions and has worked with schools and parents to develop strategies to support children and young people to develop positively around ADHD and Autism.

Thursday 27th March at 10am - 1:00pm
Atmosphere, Children & Families Hub, Malton Road, Pickering, YO18 7JJ

To book your place contact:
E: kerrie@carersplus.net
T: 07710 888214

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RYEDALE
EASTER 2025 HOLIDAY
ACTIVITY SPOTLIGHT

feast

NIGEL CARSON SPORTS SCHOOL
Get involved in the Easter fun, lots of sports, and lots more!

WELBURN HALL SCHOOL
SEND specialist activities like cooking and crafts

STAGE 1 CYCLES
Mountain biking in the North York Moors National Park!

MALTON COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE
Make new friends at this multi-sports camp

Book your **FREE** space now!

These are just some of the FEAST activities available in your area. FEAST is for all children and young people across North Yorkshire, with free spaces for those who receive benefits-related free school meals.

feastny.org

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WIN A MEERKAT EXPERIENCE

BRIDLINGTON ANIMAL PARK

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!

Please note that this experience has a minimum age requirement of 7.

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 separation co-parenting.

[Co-parenting after a separation | Place2Be's Parenting Smart \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

BADGER WOOD

FOREST SCHOOL (week 9)

We thought about how birds shelter and tried making bird nests using materials in the forest school area. Dried grass, moss and small sticks were all used to keep warm.

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FARTHING WOOD

Making bread buns (for hot dogs), biscuits, pizzas and pancakes for our Street Food DT unit.



KEEPER WOOD

FOREST SCHOOLS

In small groups we worked together to create a natural mosaic.

The breeze didn't help!



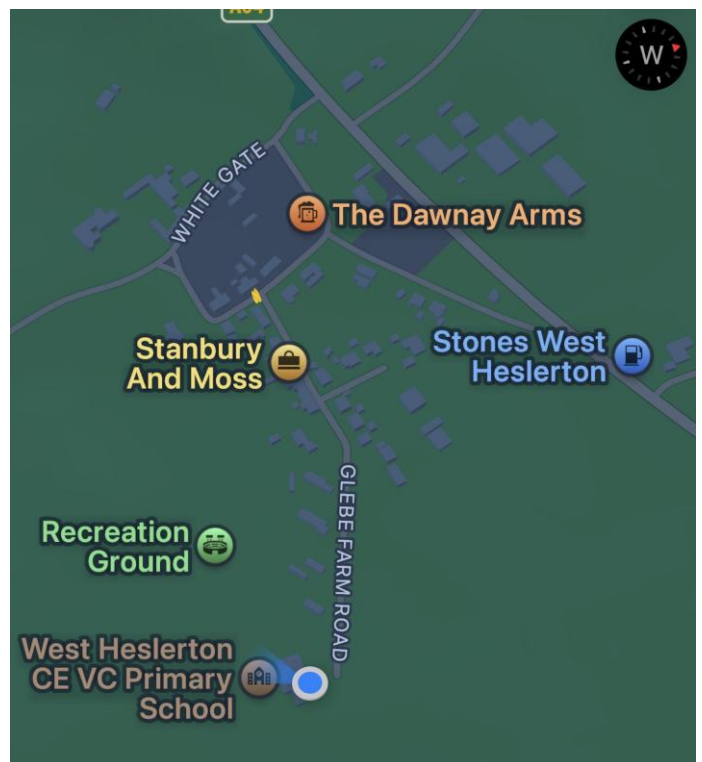
COMMUNITY CUPPA

We were joined by 20 adults this week at the community cuppa at the village hall, all keen to have a chat and play games with us. This time, we played Slytherin games - snakes and ladders with mathematical equations. There was lots of chatter, lots of laughter and lots of brain power required! Thank you to everyone who joined us.



CROSSING FOR CHILDREN

Please can we remind parents not to park on Church Street at the junction of High Street. This is to provide a clearer and safer place for children to cross Church Street. We encourage parents to park a little further away, possibly nearer the church or the pub so that the children can walk straight down High Street and cross the road with good visibility along Church Street. Keeping this area clear will also give far better visibility to drivers coming down High Street. Many thanks for your contribution to everyone's safety.



SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS

Please can all children return their school library books by Friday 28th March so that school can complete an Easter stocktake. Thank you.

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

FOREST CHILDCARE / CLUBS

Forest Childcare and **Early Bird** spaces are open for next half term. Please book via ParentPay.

Clubs to develop new interests and hobbies for next half term are open for bookings.

We will have a Gymnastics Club next half term. This club will be free of charge. Please book via ParentPay to secure a place, no payment is required.

To view the **clubs** on ParentPay from a mobile phone, *click on the 3 horizontal lines on the top left hand of the screen, from the drop down list select Home – Payer dashboard – Select the child's name – Clubs.*

Gymnastics Club next half term for **8 weeks** for pupils in **Years 3 -6.**

The club will be run by Harry Sheader Sports School, funded by school sports funding, free of charge to children. This will take place from 3.30pm – 4.30pm from **Monday 28th April to Monday 30th June 2025 excluding May Day bank holiday.**

Numbers are limited, therefore, places will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

Y2 – Y6 RAIL SAFETY

KW and FW took part in a rail safety event. We watched videos and then had to choose the most sensible action to follow if we were in that dangerous situation. The children all answered well and really enjoyed it. It is good to be aware of the dangers that can be there.



SCHOOL GOVERNORS

We are lucky to have a skilled board of Governors who are committed to guiding and driving the direction of 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, Andy Hunt

Co-opted Governors: David Shackley, Jo White.

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 by **Friday 28th March.**

Please contact all Governors at the school should you wish for them to help you or hear of your suggestions.

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