

# WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

## NEWSLETTER October 4<sup>th</sup> 2019

### STEM FAIR

The children in Farthing Wood will be visiting the STEM Fair at Scarborough Spa on **Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**. They will travel with Fletchers Coaches and be accompanied by Mrs Woodward and Mrs Wardell. **All children will need a packed lunch**, please provide drinks in cartons please, no cans or bottles.

### TAG RUGBY EVENT

The children in years 5 and 6 will be taking part in a Tag Rugby event at MCSC on **Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>**. We will be leaving school at 12.30pm and returning for the end of the school day. All children will need a P.E kit to travel in and to take part in activities. The children will travel with Fletchers Coaches and will be accompanied by Mrs Triffitt and Mrs Taylor-Barber.

### FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

Friends of School will be holding their AGM on **Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 2pm**.

#### Agenda:

Present:

Apologies:

Review of 2018/19 activities:

Finance:

Headteachers report:

Committee:

Future Events

AOB

Next meeting

Please see attached information on the roles of committee members.

All are welcome to come along and share ideas; tea and coffee will be served.

### HARVEST FESTIVAL

The school Harvest Festival will take place at All Saints Church, West Heslerton on **Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 1.30pm**. All children will be taking part in this annual harvest celebration with readings and songs. Further details will follow.

Children will be able to go home from church if parents are there to collect them.

### BOOK FAIR

The Book People Book Fair will be in school from next **Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>**. It will be open from 8.30 on Friday for all to view. The Book Fair will open for parents only on **Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 1.30-2pm**, prior to the Friends meeting. We will also open the Book Fair during Parents' evening on **Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>**. Children will get the opportunity to look at the books during break times.

A good opportunity for early Christmas buying!

### NON-UNIFORM DAY

There will be a non-uniform day on **Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>**. Children may come to school in their own clothes and bring a donation for Friends of School. These will be used for fund raising at a later date.

Please may Friends ask for:

Badger Wood	alcohol
Keeper Wood	tombola prize
Farthing Wood	Tombola prize

Many thanks.

### ECO CREW

We have raised the huge sum of £59.86 and we are going to make a sculpture in Forest School After School Club. Any ideas will be gratefully received. We have a limited amount of bottles and your ideas have to be practical and not look like a pile of rubbish. If you have any ideas please let us know.

Kiara, Will P, Benjamin and Skyla

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

### OPEN EVENT

Open event 1.30 to 3pm, Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October.

Our friendly village school invites prospective pupils and their families to view all that we have to offer during our open event from 1.30 to 3pm on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October. Come along and see our facilities, meet our friendly team and feel our warm ethos. If you can't make it to our Open Event on this date, please contact the school to arrange a convenient appointment.

Please pass the word to any families who may be interested, thank you.

### NEW STARTERS

Reception children had their photos taken this week. These will appear in the Malton Gazette on **October 9<sup>th</sup>**.

### COLOURING COMPETITION

Everyone active, swimming, have organised a colouring competition for younger children. There are free swimming prizes to be won. Please see attached colouring sheet.

Entries to be posted to Ryedale Swim and Fitness Centre, Mill lane, Pickering. YO18 8DJ by **Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> 2019**.

### PUMPKIN TRAIL

Save the date!

There will once again be a Pumpkin Trail in West Heslerton on **Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup>**, starting at the village hall. Further details will follow.



### CHRISTMAS CARDS

Please return any orders by **Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>**.

### BAGS2SCHOOL

There will be a Bags2school collection on **Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> November** so have a good sort out! We will send bags and further information once these arrive in mid-October. Funds raised go the Friends of School.

### HESLERTON AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Heslerton After School Club is open to all pupils from 3.30pm-5.30pm Monday to Thursday to relax and have fun with their friends. All children will need to bring a named water bottle, forest school kit and wellies. A snack will be provided.

To book regular sessions, please complete a half-termly booking form. To book other sessions, please contact the school office or speak to Tom or Lucy at the After School Club. All children have been issued with a free voucher for 1 free session this term. Voucher places are limited each session, please book early to avoid disappointment.

Children need to be registered before they attend their sessions. Additional sessions cost £8.00 per child. At the end of each session, please collect your child from the wildlife area or buzz the front door.

We look forward to welcoming you all to our exciting childcare provision.

### ENCLOSED

Please find attached:-

- Parent interview time, where requested
- Friends committee information
- Colouring sheet – Badgers and Keepers
- Yedingham Harvest Festival
- Benefice newsletter

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

### **BADGER WOOD**

This week Badgers became authors, as we wrote our own versions of 'Pinocchio'. Year 1s and 2s did a great job using features from the original story as well as including their own adjectives, speech, repetition and extended noun phrases. The receptions created their own text map of the story to show the order of what happened and to help them retell the story.

We dived deeper into our maths, using different resources in challenge time to develop our place value and addition skills!

In science we created our own branching tree databases to show our understanding of animals and how we can group them - by what they look like as well as what they eat.

Next week - we will be starting to look at the opposite of addition - subtraction and 2D shapes. In English we move onto the fairy tale story of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'... text mapping...writing and then a twist!

### **KEEPER WOOD**

Thankfully our smelly egg experiment is finished and the classroom has returned back to its normal smell. The children have really enjoyed this experiment. It enabled them to question what was happening through the week and also why it had happened. I feel that most children predicted correctly with which egg would be damaged the most by the different liquids.

All children tried their hardest with the cross country run especially as it was a very chilly day.

### **FARTHING WOOD**

We have had a very busy full on week this week. Yesterday we had a very thought provoking discussion about 'soul'. What is a 'soul'? What does a 'soul' look like? Do animals have a soul? Where does a 'soul' come from? All the children really thought deeply about this idea and there are some interesting ideas about this.

Next week's reminder:  
Thursday - STEM Fair visit