WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER 13TH SEPTEMBER 2024

93.5%

KEEPER WOOD

95.71.%

FARTHING WOOD
99.28%

DIARY DATES

Monday 16th September, Friends meeting 2:30pm Monday 16th September, Gymnastics Club for Y3 to 6 (booked via ParentPay)

Tuesday 17th September, Drumming Club for Reception to Year 2 (booked via ParentPay)

Thursday 26th September, Swimming week 1 for **Y1 – Y4**

Friday 27th **September,** McMillan Coffee Event 9-10am All parents and pre-schoolers welcome.

These are some of the dates we know. There may be changes so please check the school website and Dojo for details. http://www.heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk

SWIMMING – CHANGE OF START DATE

Please note that we have received notification from Ryedale Pool that our school swimming lessons will now commence on **Thursday 26**th **September** for 10 weeks (excluding half term) the last session will now be on **Thursday 5**th **December**. Thank you

BADGER WOOD

Reception children have started their short Baseline assessments this week.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to everyone who sponsored Miss Shackley in the challenge. A fantastic achievement!

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 may help you manage separations and goodbyes.

GYOW 3.0 - Category Dining Room - 6" | Wayfair (youtube.com)

PARENTS EVENINGS

Thank you to those parents who responded to our survey last term about parents evenings this school year. Approximately 25% requested parents evenings in person, 25% requested parents evenings by phone and 50% gave no preference to either method. Using these findings, we have planned the following for this year:

Autumn Term

Open Evening to welcome all parents into school, meet the staff your child works with and for children to show you their classroom. **A poster has been sent home, 1 per family. Please display this at work, in local parks etc. Telephone appointments** prior to half term to discuss how your child has settled, any concerns you have and share their successes.

Spring Term

In-person parents evening appointments will be offered to welcome all parents into school. Your child will be able to show you their work. Staff will discuss their progress and targets and any arising concerns you may have.

Summer Term

Open evening for all parents to come into school, meet the staff your child has worked with and for your child to show you their work. For those children moving classes, there will be a chance for you view their new classroom and meet the staff for the year ahead.

School reports will be sent home (with assessment results where applicable) to share your child's successes.

We hope that this mixed approach will match the needs of all families and you will support your child by attending these events.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

CaVCA are very excited to announce that their application to Tesco Stronger Starts has been successful and our Children's University project will be put forward to a customer vote in all stores across Scarborough. Voting will start in October!!

Children's University works with Primary Schools to build up children's resilience, engage and inspire them, broaden horizons and help them reach their potential. Please consider voting for the CU when you shop in Tesco!

FREE September Parenting Clinic

In September, experienced parenting coach Anisa is hosting a FREE Parenting Clinic. This will focus on building and supporting confidence for parents of young people aged 3 to 18. The goal is to empower parents and caregivers with practical knowledge and tools. These 30-minute Zoom sessions aim to share Anisa's 25+ years of experience working with families and are open to all.



with
Anisa Lewis
Positive Parenting



September 19th @ 12.30pm Confidence

Are you warried about your child's confidence?

What IS the difference between confidence and self-esteem?

Is a lack of confidence stopping your child from getting the most out of their experiences?

If these questions resonated with you and got you thinking then join Anisa (Parenting Coach) on the 19th of September for her monthly Free Parenting Clinic. This online talk is focused or confidence and what we can do to support ourselves and our young people.

Join us on Zoom, for the 30-minute talk.

Book here: https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic

email: hello@anisalewis.com for the booking link

(The clinic will be recorded and sent out to those who register to offend.)

YOUNG VOICES 2025

Years 3 - 6 will be taking part in Young Voices 2025. They will perform at Sheffield Arena on **Tuesday 28th January 2025**. Parents and families can attend to experience this special event.

We will be sending letters home nearer the time with full details.

SHINGLES

We have a case of Shingles at school. You cannot catch Shingles from someone with Shingles. However, you can catch Chicken Pox from someone with Shingles if you have not had Chicken Pox before. Please be vigilant if your child has not had Chicken Pox before or if anyone coming in to school may be pregnant.

FARTHING WOOD STEM VISIT

The children in Farthing Wood will be visiting Scarborough Spa on **Thursday, October 10**th for the Science and Engineering Festival. They will be accompanied by Mrs Bickerton and Mrs Wardell. We will leave school at 10.15am and return for the end of the school day. The children will need to bring a packed lunch, drinks only in cartons please, no cans or bottles. School will provide a packed lunch if you wish.

Please consent to the visit on ParentPay by 29th September if you would like a school lunch request one when prompted.

Children will need a waterproof coat and sensible shoes. School carries insurance for all visits.

Pupils will need to take their own inhalers if necessary.

FRIENDS

The next Friends meeting is on **Monday 16**th **September** at 2:30pm in the school hall. Everyone is welcome to come along!

Present:

Apologies:

Welcome new parents:

Minutes from the last meeting:

Review of last term's events:

Summer Fair

Play Performances & Sports Day Refreshments

Frozen Fridays

Upcoming Events to discuss:

Macmillan coffee morning

Halloween activities

Bag2school

Pantomime and Travel

Parents evening?

AOB:

Interactive Whiteboard for Keeper Wood update

Meeting day & time

Grants & funding

School wish list

Next meeting:

Monday 14th October 2.30-3.15

If you require this information in a different



WELLNESS DRUMMING

Dave Webb ran a trial club last term for Wellness Drumming. Older children really enjoyed this so we will offer this again this term. Starting 26th Sept, the club will run on Thursdays from 3.30-4.30 to Thursday 12th Dec inclusive. Please sign-up children Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 for the block of sessions on Parent Pay. These sessions will be funded by sports funding so there is no charge to families for this club. Numbers are limited and places will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

This club is accredited by the Children's University.

PARKING

Thank you to families who park in the village on Church Street and walk up to school. This alleviates the traffic at the top of High Street and everyone benefits from a short walk and lovely sunshine! Please ensure children do not walk on the kerb and stand safely away from the road outside of school – some parent drivers have been concerned this week.

SENT HOME

Primary Times
Y6 Letter
Open Evening poster to display please
My NameTags

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH



Place2Be

place2be.org.uk

West Heslerton CE School works with Place2Be, a children's mental health charity that helps children to explore their emotions and feel better about themselves.

"When I feel worried, it's like I'm in a maze and the people in Place2Be are coming with a torch and showing me the way" – Boy

"My daughter had become such a different person – one we didn't recognise – but since counselling we see signs of our old loving daughter coming back." – Parent

Children can go to the Place2Be room in school to express themselves by making art, playing or talking.

When is Place2Be useful?

Sometimes children can feel particularly sad, confused, scared or angry.

Maybe something difficult happened at home, like losing a family member or parents separating. Or perhaps they're struggling with something at school, like bullying.

This can make them behave differently, lose confidence in themselves or find it difficult to concentrate in class. Place2Be is there to help children find ways to cope, so their worries don't get in the way of their friendships, their learning or how they feel about themselves.

What does Place2Be do?

Place2Be's professionals work with children one-to-one or in small groups, giving regular support for pupils who need it.

How does Place2Be work with adults?

Place2Be provides support and advice for parents and carers, as well as teachers and school staff. Visit place2be.org.uk/family or get in touch with our Place2Be staff member (details below) to find out more.

Place2Be always gets agreement from parents or carers before they support a child through one-to-one counselling. They also meet with parents or carers regularly to keep them updated and make sure they are involved from the start.

Any questions?

 $\label{prop:eq:emily} \mbox{Emily is our Place2Be staff member.}$

She works on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday You can either arrange to meet her at school or get in touch at Emily.Hall@place2be.org.uk If you want to find out more

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