

# WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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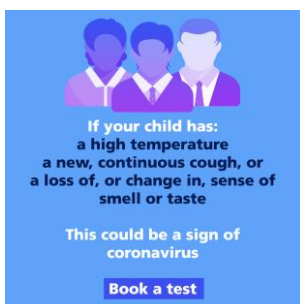
"Children are at the centre of all we do."

## NEWSLETTER September 25<sup>th</sup> 2020

A paper newsletter will be sent home each Friday, you may wish to isolate this for 48 hours before reading it. This will also be on the school website. [www.westheslertonschool.co.uk](http://www.westheslertonschool.co.uk)

### QUARANTINE/LOCKDOWN

In case of any bubbles in school being closed, if children need to go in to quarantine or if a local lockdown is enforced work for each class will be posted on our website. We are hopeful that your own child's class teacher will be able to keep in touch via email but that will depend on the nature of the lockdown and the availability of staff.



### DATA

Please see attached a data collection sheet which helps us to keep our records up to date. Please complete and return to school by **Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Thank you.

### SCHOOL MEALS

#### Menu change

There will be a change of menu next week.

**Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup> will swap with Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.**

The menu on Thursday will be:

Cheese and tomato pizza with diced potatoes, fruity coleslaw, mixed salad and 50/50 bread followed by ice cream cone or fruit yoghurt and fresh fruit.

The children in **Badger Wood** are all entitled to a free school meal. All children in this class will have a meal cooked for them to try on **Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**. Please feel free to send a packed lunch if your child prefers but do try something new!

Children in Keeper Wood and Farthing Wood are encouraged to stay for our school Pizza party next Thursday. Paid meals are £2.50.

There have been another few small changes to the menu for this term. Please see the menu on the school website.

### TRAVEL SURVEY

NYCC would like to reach out to all parents and carers of your pupils through a parent & carer travel survey to help support the safe return to school, address potential travel issues that have arisen, and encourage a shift towards active travel. This is a follow up survey to one conducted before schools returned in September and we would like as many parents and carers as possible to respond to this new survey. The survey will close on Sunday 4th October.

Please find it here

[https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/NYCC-Return-to-School-Travel-Survey-for-Parents-and-Carers/?utm\\_campaign=1547732\\_CYPS%20eRed%20Bag%20-%2023%20September%202020&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=North%20Yorks%20County%20Council&dm\\_i=4BPJ,X68K,34L2U6,445YE,1](https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/NYCC-Return-to-School-Travel-Survey-for-Parents-and-Carers/?utm_campaign=1547732_CYPS%20eRed%20Bag%20-%2023%20September%202020&utm_medium=email&utm_source=North%20Yorks%20County%20Council&dm_i=4BPJ,X68K,34L2U6,445YE,1)

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### BADGER WOOD

Rain, rain, go away...or not!

We have loved the rainy weather in Badger Wood this week. We have been very excited that the water butt in our outside area has been full to the brim as this means we can fill tubs, set up water canal systems and measure larger amounts of capacity.

In writing this week we have begun to plot out the story of 'Peace at Last'. As a class we have re-written the beginning of the story using time-conjunctions and verbs to describe the setting. You can find the story here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9U9y35kWBvM>

Thank you for the donation towards equipment in our mud kitchen to a parent in Keeper Wood - the colander will make a brilliant addition. We are still after donations for equipment to our mud kitchen, so if anyone has any metal/wooden kitchen utensils, pans, metal bowls/jugs or metal sieves we would be very grateful.

Mrs Woodward

### FARTHING WOOD

What a fantastic time we have had this week in Farthing Wood. Since our last newsletter, we have been to Keeper wood for our Forest Schools, where we built dens. Great teamwork and communication skills were observed! We also had our first brilliant, pupil-led class worship where we thought about believing in yourself and in others. In PE, the class were practising ball skills with our visiting expert, and some children had their first gym session at the after-school club. Once again, everyone has been working hard, but a special congratulations to our Superstars for this week who have stood out for exceptional contributions: Reuben, Molly, Dexter and George M. Well done!

Next week, please remember to send your child in their PE kit on Tuesday again. Also a reminder that reading books are changed on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday and homework is set for every day, and checked on a Monday. Pupils have a weekly times tables and spelling test, so please make sure your child knows these. Should you need to contact me at any time, then please feel free to drop me an email:

[fw@heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:fw@heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk)

Thank you everyone for another great week.

Mrs Bickerton

### SCHOOL CLOSURE -reminder

Slips need to be returned by **Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> 2020** please.

### KEEPER WOOD

It has been another fantastic week in Keeper Wood; the children have all been working really hard and are slowly getting back into the normal school routine.

In science our topic this half term is electricity, the children have been excitedly experimenting with simple circuits. They have worked with their partners to see if certain circuits work and what is necessary for electricity to flow through a circuit.

They have also used motors, buzzers and switches in their circuits.

We have finished our last plot point for our Beowulf stories and will be moving on to something new next week, we will still be using our fantastic vocabulary, making it interesting for the reader.

The children have been researching Anglo-Saxon settlements and houses to start our street display in class.

In Forest schools the children have started creating their own stories based in Anglo-Saxon times, they have a hero, a villain and a scene; this week they are making props out of natural materials



Miss Shackley

### E-MAIL -reminder

Please would you return the slip to school on Monday in order that we have an up to date email address in school, thank you.

### ATTACHMENTS

Please see attached:

- Data sheet
- Stay Safe information
- Secondary school places – Y6
- Norton College flyer -Y5/6
- Parent Pay - Reception

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