# WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

# **NEWSLETTER October 18<sup>th</sup> 2019**

#### 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. All children will need a warm coat and sensible shoes for walking to the church. Children will be able to go home from church if

parents are there to collect them.

## HALF TERM

Next week the newsletter will come home on **Thursday**. The children will not need a bag at school on Friday due to Harvest Festival.

## **PUMPKIN TRAIL**

There will once again be a Pumpkin Trail in West Heslerton on **Thursday, October 31**<sup>st</sup> between 3pm and 5pm, starting at the village hall. The event will cost £3 per child to include a hot dog and a drink. Fancy dress is optional but there are prizes to be won! Children must be accompanied by an adult. Donations of cakes/biscuits on the day will be welcome. Helpers are required please to help set the event up.

Events at the Dawnay Arms will follow from 4-7pm with pumpkin carving and fancy dress.

# BADGER WOOD CHILDREN IN NEED FUNDRAISING EVENT.

On **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November**, Badger Wood are very excited as we will have Peagreen Pottery with us from Malton! We will be fundraising for Children in Need by painting our very own Pudsey Bear! We would like to invite Badger parents to join us in our painting afternoon and to help us be generous with our time and any donations towards this event.

Look forward to seeing you our Children in Need afternoon from 2.00-3.15pm.

## HOCKEY

Unfortunately the Badgers' hockey event was cancelled due to the rain. There will be other sporting opportunities later in the school year.

## **MUSIC LESSONS**

There will be no group guitar lessons on Wednesday due to the early school trip for Farthing Wood and Keeper Wood. Lessons will be credited to next half term.

We were unable to have keyboard lessons on Tuesday due to parent evening. These will be credited next half term

## FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

Following the Friends AGM the following officers were elected:

Chair Natalie Cobb Treasurer Lucy Mason Secretary Becky Stafford Thank you for all the non-uniform prizes you so kindly sent in. These will be used at the Christmas fair later in the term.

We would like to ask children to **save 5p coins** and bring them into school after half term for a class challenge!

# SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS WINDOW CLOSING SOON

NYCC have asked us to remind parents of pupils in Year 6 that applications for secondary school places need to be made by **October 31**<sup>st</sup> please.

#### **NRICH WORKSHOP**

The children in **Farthing Wood and Keeper Wood** will be visiting Settrington School on **Wednesday**, **October 23<sup>rd</sup>** for a morning of maths puzzles, games and other activities.

They will be leaving school at 8.45 and will return for lunch. **Registration for these two classes will be at 8.30 that morning.** Have a good breakfast!

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.

## **BOOK FAIR**

Thank you for your support for the book Fair. £423.00 was taken which gives us £42.30 for school to use for books.

## **GYMNASTICS CLUB**

All pupils who requested a place have got one. The club is now full.

# BAGS2SCHOOL

There will be a Bags2school collection on **Friday**, **8**<sup>th</sup> **November** so have a good sort out! Please see bag attached, further bags are available from the office. 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 halftermly booking form. To book other sessions, please contact the school office or speak to Tom or Lucy at the After School Club. 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.

Please see attached a booking form for next half term.

I am the Headteacher Governor and have held this post of Governor since 2001. I don't have any special Governor responsibilities but work as part of the team of Governors to build the very best provision for each child at Heslerton. I'm proud to be a Governor of our great school, working on behalf of all pupils, families, staff and the local community. I am also a Parent Governor at my daughter's primary school, so see Governance from a different viewpoint too. I am happy to answer any questions you may have about school or pass messages on to the Governing Board. I hold regular parental forum meetings; you can phone, pop a suggestion into the box in the school entrance hall or just catch me at school.

# PARKING

We have once again received complaints from residents about parking:

"Drivers are blocking driveways – if people had to leave their homes for an appointment they are blocked in. Please could we point out to parents to let other people who may collect (e.g. grandparents), know not to block driveways." A suggestion was made that we ask year 6 parents to all wait at the bottom of the hill.

Please respect the residents of the village and park responsibly, thank you.



#### **BADGER WOOD**

Lots of fantastic learning going on this week.

In English, we learnt how to write a letter... we put ourselves in Goldilocks' shoes to write an apology letter to the three bears. We learnt how to present a letter, use different punctuation and began to write in paragraphs!

In maths, we developed our subtraction knowledge using a bar model and began to look at lines of symmetry in 2D shapes.

Next week... it is all things Harvest! Don't forget we have a 'Stay and Play' on Thursday afternoon from 2pm...hope to see you there!

#### **GENERATION TEA**

Children in years 5 and 6 spent Wednesday afternoon at Generation Tea playing Bananagrams and other activities.





#### **KEEPER WOOD**

This week the children have been putting together research about the Ancient Greeks that they will be presenting to the class in groups. Some of the children have been reading our class book to the class at the end of the day. It takes a lot of confidence to read out to a lot of people so well done to the children that have done that!

Thank you for your continued support.

#### FARTHING WOOD

Homework Projects -

Thank you for all the amazing 'Earth and Space' project work that has been going on at home...there have been some very imaginative and create ideas. Last week the children's homework projects were put on display for the other classes to see in the hall. They were then shown in Friday's achievement worship to discuss and praise those who have been working hard upon these. Watch out for the ones that have arrived this week... And remember to all keep working on your CLIC and reading!



#### ATTACHED Please find attached:-

- Bags2school bag
- After School Club booking form
- Electronic payment consultation
- Circuits fitness club years 3-6