WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER 6th JUNE 2025

Our newsletter is also available to view on the school website at: https://heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk/parents/newsletters







DIARY DATES

Sunday 8th June, Albanwise Open Day - see box below **Monday 9th June,** Gymnastics club Y3 – Y6 week 5. **Thursday 12th June,** Beach Day – whole school - see box below

Monday 16th June, Community Cuppa 2pm.

- Gymnastics club Y3 Y6 week 6.
- Friends Bingo event see box right

Thursday 26th June, Y5 Taster Day at Malton School - see box below

Wednesday 2nd July, Open Evening 3:30pm-5pm - see box below

Friday 11th July, End of year performance - see box below

Monday 14th July, Sports Day - see box below Wednesday 16th July,

- Year 6 to Crucial Crew see box below
- Reserve Sports Day.

Thursday 17th July, Leavers Day.

There may be changes to these dates. Please check the school website and Dojo for details.

BEACH TRIP

Beach trip Thursday 12th June. We are visiting the South Bay Beach, Scarborough to explore the rockpools and natural wildlife on our local coast. The whole school will use forest school skills in the beach environment.

Forest School kits, water bottles, sun cream and hats are needed please in a small rucksack that children can carry themselves. We'll be outdoors all day.

School sports funding is funding this visit so there is no charge to parents. We will have a picnic lunch whilst there. We will travel with Esk Valley Coaches.

School packed lunches will be given by school to the children who ordered on ParentPay by Friday June 6th.

STAFF VACANCY

We are planning to expand the staff team here by appointing an additional experienced teaching assistant to join our team. Details of the vacancy will listed on https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/jobs-and-careers

FRIENDS

Friends of School thank parents for the wonderful prizes donated to help the Bingo fundraiser go well. These will be used at The Ryedale Bowls Centre, details below. All adults and children are invited, please spread the word and come along!



RAFFLE

Raffle tickets are available for this event so if you are unable to attend but still wish to support school, please send cash into school in an envelope with your name, your child's name and 'raffle' Friends will provide tickets for your cash donation.

BAKING

Home baking goods sell really well at this event. If you are able to provide items, please bring these to the school office on the day or to the Bowls centre on the evening.

Good luck to everyone!

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YEAR 5 TASTER DAY-MALTON SCHOOL

The children in Year 5 will be having a taster day at Malton School on Thursday 26th June. They will be collected by transport arranged by Malton School, times to be confirmed by Malton School. They will require a drink/snack and a packed lunch.

OPEN EVENING

We will be hosting an Open Evening on Wednesday 2nd July. This is for parents of children already at school. It will be a chance for you to meet your child's current teacher, view their work and see the progress your child has made this year. For those children moving classes, it will be a chance for adults and children to see their new classroom together and meet the staff the children will work with next year. Please drop in between 3.30-5pm.

PE KITS REMINDER

PE kit for sports events at school comprises of: white sports top, black or dark blue sports shorts/sport trousers and sports trainers that children can fasten independently. Please ensure your child has all of these items on each day when they are scheduled for PE. We are outdoors as much as possible for PE so a fleece may also be useful. We use the forecast to identify the best time of day for PE sessions so these sessions can vary to avoid the rain and the powerful sun.

SWIMMING

We are looking forward to teaching children to swim again this autumn. We will be teaching swimming and water safety to Years 1 to 4, currently Reception to Year 3. The 10 weekly sessions will be held Thursday 18th Sept to Thursday 27th November inclusive.

PARKING REMINDER

Please can we ask that parents do not park at the front of the school as this is needed for the growing number of staff needing parking.

SCHOOL FOOTWEAR

Many children are attending school in school shoes, some are wearing trainers. School uniform is smart black shoes please and we will be expecting children to wear these from September.

EARLY BIRDS

We are delighted that the Early Birds facility is growing in popularity. Please note that due to staffing ratios, we are unable to have children on site before 8am.

THANK YOU FROM KEMPS

Dear Pupils of West Heslerton School
Thank you so much for your reviews of 'Stig of the
Dump', 'Einstein the Penguin' and 'A Bear Called
Paddington'. Our customers have enjoyed reading
them and some have bought the books on the
strength of your recommendations. It's been great
to see some of you visit the shop with your families
to see your reviews in a bookshop, doing a great job
for us and the customers. Thank you!

Kemps bookstore will be providing a pop-up book shop in school at our Open Evening later this term for pupils and parents to browse a small selection of their books.

ALBANWISE VISIT

Albanwise are hosting their Open Day this weekend. They hope that this will encourage many families (and dogs!) to visit them. Please see the details online using the QR code here.



EYE TESTS

Eye tests for children is a free annual service at opticians and important as the NHS no longer offer this service at school. Please consider booking a test for your child if they have not had one recently.

CLASS ARRANGEMENTS FOR 25/26/27 JUNE

Year 3 and 4 pupils will shortly be on residential at East Barnby, with Miss Shackley and Mrs Triffitt.

Year 2 children will be taught by Mrs Wells, Miss Mitchell and Mrs Bickerton in Farthing Wood.

Please use Dojo to these staff members should you need to be in touch with staff during this time.

SCHOOL PLAY

Our whole school play will be premiere on **Friday 11**th **July**, performances at **1:30pm** and **6pm** (children to arrive as 5.45pm please). Please look out for ticket details in the next few weeks. This year, Dave Webb has announced his retirement so this will be the last time he works with our school.

All children will need a simple costume in a named bag, we will share details of these a little nearer the time. Refreshments will be served by the Friends at the performances, please bring cash as required.

SPORTS DAY MONDAY 14th JULY

All children will be involved in our whole school sports day afternoon on **Monday 14**th **July at 1:30pm**. Parents and families are very welcome to come along and enjoy the atmosphere and the sporting achievements of all pupils. Refreshments can be purchased from the Friends of School stall.

Please bring loose change, sun cream and sunhat and blankets or chairs to sit on. See you there! (Reserve date is Wednesday 16th July in case of unpredictable British weather!)

A uniform stall will be available for parents to make use of donated items. Friends of School would appreciate small cash donations for these items, some of which are brand new!

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

School photographs were taken just before the break. These are now available to buy at

www.ordermyphotos.co.uk using the code sent to you on Dojo. In order to protect pupils, please do not share these codes. There is an option for free postage if parents order within 2 weeks. These orders will come to school for distribution.

You can still have pictures sent to your home for a small postage charge at any time in the next year.

CRUCIAL CREW YEAR 6 PUPILS

Year 6 will visit Crucial Crew at the TEC in Scarborough to learn how to support themselves and others in tricky situations.

They will be travelling with Esk Valley Coaches with Mrs Bickerton.

We will be leaving school at 9am so please be here in plenty of time.

Please ensure your child is dressed warmly and prepared for sun and rain, some sessions will be outdoors.

Children will need a water bottle and packed lunch; a school packed lunch will be provided for children who have ordered via ParentPay.

If we need to use our reserve sports day, children should just be back in time!

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

We all wish to keep children as safe as possible. Our School Safeguarding Team:

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Rachel Wells. Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Sheryl Woodward.

Safeguarding Governors: Mrs Jo Bickerton, Mrs Lou Todd.

During school hours, should you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact the school on 01944 728286 or via the contact us section of our website. We will take all concerns very seriously and do our best to support all involved.

If you have a safety concern out of school hours, please make a safeguarding referral directly to the local authority's multi agency safeguarding team. Contact the North Yorkshire Children and Families service on 0300 131 2 131



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

Friends of West Heslerton School Meeting Minutes - Monday 2nd June 2025

Present: Iain Todd, Anna Tindall, Rosie Pease, Emma Pennock, Emma Nutt, Nicola Fox, Rachel Wells & Tori Malthouse

Apologies: Anna Kemp & Kerry Stonehouse

Annual events to discuss:

Bag2school - 400kg collected & £80 cheque to come. EP to chase Bag2school for this. Thanks to everyone who donated. The next collection will be Thursday 6th November.

Reception parents stay & play – Weds 21st May – Poster explaining who Friends are & what we do was issued to parents.

Non uniform day – Fri 23rd May – lots of raffle prizes donated for use at the Bingo raffle. Thanks to everyone for your generous donations.

Bingo – Monday 16th June @ Norton Bowling Club. Doors open 6:45pm, eyes down at 7:30pm. Raffle midway through & refreshments available to purchase. Donations of cakes / biscuits / traybakes on the day please. Potential to do a special raffle (15 prizes needed, each prize needs a value of £10 min). Last year we raised £700. Friends to encourage families to come along and if they can't, encourage them to purchase raffle tickets. EP to post on WhatsApp and place posters in local notice boards. RW to post on DOJO.

Open evening – Weds 2nd July – anything we can do at this event to encourage new recruits? It was thought that open evening in the summer term probably not the right time to recruit new members. RW will add info poster to welcome pack for new families starting in September. Another open evening in October so potential to do something at this.

Sponsored walk – Fri 4th July at 1pm – walk to Keeper Wood & do some activities. School sent out sponsor forms before half term break. We plan to have a route on a map for parents to follow. Children to go in family groups so that siblings are all together to help parents to have family time. All to look for orienteering stampers marked on this route which will punch braille type pattern into cards. These cards can be kept showing the child has completed the walk. Once at Keeper Wood, there will be free time to explore the woods. Groups to follow a different route back. We will check this route the week before for nettles, pushchair friendly etc. Friends to do refreshments for parents when we are back. EP to post on WhatsApp and RW to post on DOJO. Encourage parents to bring cash for refreshments. AT to organise stickers or medals for all the children.

Sports day – Mon 14th July - parent participation prohibited due to insurance. There will hopefully be time for a toddler race. Friends will do refreshments during & after the event. All children & staff will be given a free ice lolly, donated by Friends. EP & AT to source candy floss etc.

Leaver's hoodies – Purchased this year from Edge Clothing. Y6 have requested size and colour. Parents have paid £10 contribution per hoodie. Friends will make up the balance (approx. £11 per hoodie). Hoodies with the school logo to the front and '25 Leavers' to the back with individual student names.

AOB:

- Bingo prizes to check through to see if we have enough 'special prizes'.
- Leaver's day / celebration is there anything we can do as Friends off site to replicate the event pre covid where families were welcome to join in the celebrations we plan to do a summer fair biannually.
- Non-uniform day mid Jan 2026 RW suggestion families can donate unwanted Christmas gifts. Best collection of the year and creates lots of good raffle prizes. Keep on the radar for next year.
- Playground markings we continue to fundraise in the background towards new playground markings
 alongside doing our regular treats and fundraising for extra's. EP, AT & RW to discuss how funding this could
 work and timescales.

Next meeting:

Monday 15th September 2:30pm