



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

### NEWSLETTER July 15<sup>th</sup> 2022

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#### DIARY DATES

**Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>** Sports afternoon  
**Thursday, July 21<sup>st</sup>** Leavers' service at church,  
Leavers' activity day. Leavers' lunch.  
**Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>** School closes for the summer.

These are some of the dates we know. There may be changes and additions to these as the term progresses. Please check the school website for details <http://www.heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk>

#### THANK YOU

Thank you to Rudi Westcombe for all your hard work in Badger Wood. We wish you well in your future career.  
Thank you to Dave Webb for your hard work in producing another amazing school performance.

#### SPORTS DAY

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July.** Please bring blankets to sit on and cash for refreshments (refreshments provided for all school pupils). Children need a sun hat and sun cream and P.E. kit. Photos may be taken for personal use.

#### YEAR 5 VISIT TO NORTON COLLEGE

The children in year 5 will be visiting Norton College on **Tuesday, July 19<sup>th</sup>**. They will be accompanied by Mrs Wardell. They will travel by Norton College bus, leaving school at 9am and returning for the end of the school day.

The children will need a packed lunch with them.

#### UNIFORM SWAP

Don't forget to bring uniform to swap and cash to purchase uniform on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July**.

#### SCHOOL MEALS

The pudding on **Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July** will be an ice lolly. The County Caterers have increased the cost to school of a school meal from September. The cost of a dinner, subsidised by school, will be £2.60 per day. Children in years R to 2 are in receipt of Universal Free School Meals. The current year 2 children will need to pay for their meals from September.

#### LEAVERS EVENTS

Thank you to the Friends of School who have organised the Leavers Hoodies for Year 6 pupils.

We will have a day of Leavers celebrations for the whole school on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July (before the last day of term on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>).

#### LEAVERS' SERVICE

9:30-10:15 approx – Leavers' service at All Saints' Church, West Heslerton. Open to all family members of pupils at school, please join us if you are able.

#### PAYMENTS

May we please ask you to check parent pay and ensure that all outstanding payments are made by **9am on Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>**.

#### PUPILS' CELEBRATIONS AT SCHOOL

Pupils return to school for a day of bouncy castles, games on the field and playground.

**Leavers lunch of sausage in a bun, chips with salad and an ice cream cone.**

All pupils from any age group are able to have this meal, please book on the day in the normal way.

During the playground activities, we will have an artist, offering each child a piece of airbrush tattoo art. This doesn't smudge or stain clothing/bouncy castles etc, and is waterproof for a couple of days. Please return the slip to give permission for your child to have this done or decline this invitation.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Please can any outstanding Report slips / Airbrush tattoo art permission slips be returned to the school office as soon as possible. Many thanks.

#### YEAR 6

Year 6 parents are invited onto the playground on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 3:10pm**, to make a cone shape for the Year 6's to walk out.

### BADGER WOOD

Busy making an ambulance and a camper van.



### KEEPER WOOD



### DOJO

Classroom dojo has been really valuable keeping parents up to date with school events and photos and allowing staff and parents to keep each other updated on news. We will continue to use this. In preparation for the year ahead, all children will be moved into their new class groups from Monday 25th July. This will allow new parents to join over the summer break and all parents will be able to send messages to their child's teacher if necessary. School staff will check for messages on our training days ahead of the children's return in September.

### FARTHING WOOD



### EAR PIERCING

If you are wishing for your child to have their ears pierced, please will you consider doing this early in the school summer holidays?  
From September, NYCC has announced that all earrings must be removed for PE and sports. This means pupils will need to remove their own studs or not wear earrings on PE days.

### AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

This week in after-school club we have been making individual drop scone pancakes using gluten-free and dairy free Ingredients, cooking them on a skillet on the open fire, and flavouring them with runny honey!

### NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters are produced each Friday in term time. In order to reduce paper use and copying costs these will be sent via Dojo and published on the website from September. We will use Dojo for the 2 remaining newsletters this term in addition to the paper copy. Please ensure we have any extra email addresses for receipt of these.

nat, please contact the school office.

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS

With many families facing financial hardship as the cost of living increases, NYCC are doing all that they can to ensure that every family that is eligible to claim Free School Meals (FSM) for their child is benefiting from this additional help.

With this in mind they have made it easier for parents to apply for a free school meal.

The new application process means that all applications are now made electronically. In just a few steps parents will receive an almost instant decision on whether their application has been successful. All children are eligible for free school meals if they're in reception class; year 1; or year 2. but we still ask that you apply using this form to prevent your child's school missing out on additional funding.

The new application process is now live and can be accessed immediately here: <https://fisportal.northyorks.gov.uk/Synergy/SynergyWeb/>

# Apply for free school meals online

If you would like to apply for free school meals for your child, simply login to your **Synergy Parent Portal account** and follow the process outlined below.

If you have previously applied for school admissions or funding for your two year old you will most likely already have an account. If not, you can easily **[create an account here](#)**.

### STEP 1

Enter your National Insurance Number/National Asylum Support Service (NASS) number and date of birth.

### STEP 2

Select the child(ren) you wish to apply for. If you have previously applied for a school place for your child they will already appear on the dropdown list. If your child does not appear automatically, they can easily be added by entering their forename, surname, date of birth and gender.

### STEP 3

Attach any supporting documentation, if necessary, this could include documents such as a copy of your Universal Credit statement.

### STEP 4

A message will then be displayed stating that we will be in touch with confirmation details. The school(s) at which your child(ren) attends will be notified as soon as the application has been fully processed by our team (5 working days). Your child(ren) can then begin enjoying free school meals once the school has received this notification.

If your application is unsuccessful you can then move to a further screen to find out why this may be the case.

**If you need help or wish to discuss your application please contact us:**

**Phone: 01609 533 405**

**Email: [schoolwelfare@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:schoolwelfare@northyorks.gov.uk)**

The image displays four sequential screenshots of the 'Free School Meals Application' web portal. Each screenshot shows a progress bar at the top with four steps: 1. Your Details, 2. Select Children, 3. Add Documents, and 4. Your Results. The active step is highlighted with a blue circle and a blue line connecting the steps. The first screenshot shows the 'Your Details' form with fields for 'NI or NASS Number' and 'Date of Birth'. The second screenshot shows the 'Select Children' form with a dropdown menu and a 'New Child' button. The third screenshot shows the 'Add Documents' form with a 'Upload Documents' button and a confirmation checkbox. The fourth screenshot shows the 'Your Results' form with a green checkmark and the text 'Result: Found'.

## FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

Thank you to the Friends of School for helping on Sports Day and for providing refreshments. **Squares will be for sale to raise money for Friends of School, with the chance to win a Kindle**

### FRIENDS OF SCHOOL MINUTES

Thank you to those families who attended school for the recent Friends meeting.

Date of meeting: 06.07.2022

Attended : Natalie, Alice, Victoria, Claire W, Emma P, Emma J, Sarah W

Apologies : Lucy, Tori, Louise, Chloe, Naomi

We had good feedback from the school disco, all the children that attended seemed to really enjoy it. The DJ is stopping this business soon so we will have to find a new company for future events.

Any recommendations welcome.

Our 5p challenge has finished, coins are being counted and the winning class will be rewarded with their treat before end of term. Natalie is counting Keepers, Emma P has Farthings and Claire W has Badgers to count up.

Play 15th July. There will be refreshments served from the kitchen hatch for both performances. Cake donations to be asked for to be in by the Thursday. Also tablet tickets sold here.

Sports day 18th July. Friends will provide an ice lolly for every child. There will be 78 present on the day. Also refreshments to be sold to spectators. Tablet tickets also available to buy. Uniform swap stall to be incorporated. Bring some items and swap or a small donation if nothing to trade.

Leavers hoodies look brilliant. Big thank you to Katie and Joe Watson for ordering and processing on our behalf.

We will hold a raffle and fundraising event in the autumn. There will also be AGM meeting in September. We do need extra support on the Friends team as currently only 2 members standing. If you feel like you could help by being treasurer or secretary please speak to Mrs Wells or Natalie Cobb to find out more info.

The result of the 5p Challenge is:

Farthing Wood	£100
Keeper Wood	£126.60
Badger Wood	£134.85

Badger Wood will get the chance to choose a prize.

## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Children are invited to discover the amazing science & innovation behind the world around them as part of this year's Summer Reading Challenge with the theme Gadgeteers.

North Yorkshire libraries and the Reading Agency is running the challenge for children aged 4 to 11, encouraging them to read six library books over the summer holiday period.

Gadgeteers aims to show children that science is all around them, and helps them with whatever they love doing.

To take part children need to sign up at their nearest library where they will be given a colourful fold out poster showing the setting for this year's Challenge - an imaginary community centre.

As they read their chosen books, they will receive stickers (some scratch & sniff!) and can use them to help the Gadgeteers come up with great inventions for an amazing summer party at the centre. There are more free incentives to collect along the way and those who complete the Challenge will receive a medal and a certificate to celebrate their achievement.

Children can choose from a vast range of books at the library or download them as an eBook from the catalogue. There are loads of fantastic new books about science and inventions but they can choose any six library books to count towards the challenge.

There will also be lots of great events in NYCC libraries throughout the summer, including junk modelling, Lego sessions, science workshops, art and craft sessions, storytelling and theatre performances to name but a few! Look out for more details in libraries and on local library Facebook pages.

**This year's Reading Challenge starts on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July and finishes on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

## FEAST ACTIVITIES

FEAST brings the fun to the school holidays, offering loads of different activities for everyone to take part in. All children and young people across North Yorkshire can get involved in a range of sessions, with free places and a free lunch for children and young people on benefits-related Free School Meals. There is so much to choose from – come and take a look at what's on at <https://northyorkshiretogether.co.uk/feast>

## ATTACHED

Please find attached:

- Sports Day programme for Wednesday
- Nigel Carson Sports School Multi-Sport Days leaflet

Please contact the school office.

# MURDER MYSTERY & MAYHEM! Two day workshop

AGE 8-13

Wed 27 & Thu 28 Jul, 10am - 4pm\* | £50 per child\*\*

Choose your workshop and spend two days learning new skills to create a Murder Mystery themed play to perform at the end of day 2!

**WORKSHOP 1**  
DRAMA WITH  
FLORRIE STOCKBRIDGE

**WORKSHOP 2**  
SET, COSTUME & PROP DESIGN  
WITH TABITHA GROVE

More info at [www.helmsleyarts.co.uk](http://www.helmsleyarts.co.uk)



\*Sharing for family and friends at 4pm on Thu 28. \*\*All materials included

facebook.com/HelmsleyArtsCentre @helmsleyarts @helmsleyarts

## SUMMER HOLIDAYS MULTISPORTS ACTIVITY DAYS

MALTON COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE  
ACTIVITY FOR ALL  
01653 605365

SESSIONS RUN FROM 9:00AM-3:30PM, CHILDREN CAN BE DROPPED OFF FROM 8:45 AM AND COLLECTED UP TO 4PM. CHILDREN WILL NEED A PACK UP AND DRINKS.

CHILDREN AGED 5-13

FOOTBALL, DODGEBALL, BASKETBALL, TENNIS, CRICKET, ROUNDERS  
TEAM GAMES, BADMINTON AND MORE

INFO@MALTONSPORT.ORG

DAYS	1ST CHILD	2ND CHILD
1-	£17	£15.50
2-	£28	£21
3-	£39	£30
4-	£50	£38
5-	£60	£45

PLACES NEED TO BE BOOKED AND PAID FOR IN ADVANCE

ACTIVITY DATES WILL NOT RUN ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:  
8TH, 9TH, 10TH 11TH 12TH & 29TH OF AUGUST

## SUMMER FOOTBALL FUN WEEK

AT ENERGISE LEISURE CENTRE (YORK HIGH SCHOOL)  
CORNLANDS ROAD, ACOMB, YORK, YO24 3DX  
MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2022  
10.00 a.m. - 3.00 p.m. (FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 4 - 13)

Dear Parents,

We are pleased to inform you that following the outstanding success of previous courses and the weekly coaching sessions, we are organising the 2022 Summer Football Fun Week.

The children will be coached by CRB POLICE CHECKED and F.A. QUALIFIED COACHES who are used to working with and bringing the best out in children. The coaches will develop self-confidence and self esteem through encouragement and positive reinforcements. **FOOTBALL IS NOT JUST FOR THE STAR PLAYERS!**

The course is tightly structured with the players fully supervised at all times. All children are catered for from the absolute beginner to the more experienced players. Players are grouped together according to age, ability and experience. We have fantastic facilities including the outdoor all-weather pitches.

The course is for 5 days from 10.00am – 3.00pm with lunch from 12.15 – 1.00pm where the children can eat a packed lunch bought from home. The club is fully supervised so children may be left in our care, however parents are welcome to stay and watch if they wish to. On Friday at 2.30pm there is a presentation when parents and friends are most encouraged to come and see the players receive their awards.

The cost of the course is £80 (or £20 per day if your child is attending less than 5 days). We also offer HALF-PRICE DISCOUNT (£40) for the second and subsequent children in the same family, which covers all coaching, referees, trophies, certificates and many other awards presented. ALL CHILDREN ARE GUARANTEED TO RECEIVE AT LEAST ONE TROPHY AND CERTIFICATE.

Steven Nugent (Course Co-ordinator)

**TO BOOK A PLACE PLEASE TEXT 'YORK SUMMER' + CHILD'S NAME + AGE to 07846 770 250**

(YOU WILL RECEIVE CONFIRMATION BY TEXT THEN REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT IS MADE ON THE FIRST MORNING OF THE COURSE)

## SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUBS

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE  
WATERSLIDE  
GYMNASTICS  
FITNESS  
MULTI-SKILLS  
9:00AM-11:00PM  
PRICES VARY PER CLUB

**BOOK NOW!**  
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FOR MORE INFO EMAIL  
HILLSPORTS@OUTLOOK.COM

"Both girls said they had an 'AMAZING' time this morning. Thankyou for making it so much fun"

**Reduced prices all summer**

## SUMMER FAMILY FUN!

SCISSORS, PAPER, INK WITH SUZIE DEVEY  
AGE 8-16

Tue 26 Jul | 10am - 12pm, 1 - 3pm | £10 per session

Find out how to make a work of art that is all about you! Using stencils and creative printmaking you can make a selfie or tell your story in images.

Suzie will show you how to make colourful and professional prints using cut outs, text and ink! Only 15 spaces per session so book in quick to avoid missing out.

Box Office 01439 771700 [www.helmsleyarts.co.uk](http://www.helmsleyarts.co.uk) ARTS FOR EVERYONE IN RYDALE - AND BEYOND

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