



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

NEWSLETTER 26th SEPTEMBER 2025

Our newsletter is also available to view on the school website at:

<https://heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk/parents/newsletters>

BADGER WOOD

95.22%

KEEPER WOOD

96.77%

FARTHING WOOD

98.81 %

DIARY DATES

Monday 29th September, Gymnastics Club Y1 – Y3 week 4.

Wednesday 1st October, Open Evening 3:30 – 5:30pm see poster.

Thursday 2nd October, Swimming Y1 – Y4 week 3.

- Best of British menu see posters, please order on the day.
- Norton Hive Pop up library 2pm.

Friday 3rd October, MacMillan coffee event 9-10.15am see box below.

Monday 6th October, Gymnastics Club Y1 – Y3 week 5.

Wednesday 8th October, FW Football at MCSC.

Thursday 9th October, FW Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) trip to Scarborough.

- Swimming Y1 – Y4 week 4.

Friday 10th October, School photographs see box below.

Monday 13th October, Flu vaccinations R-Y6.

- Keeper Wood afternoon parent appointments 1-3.30pm
- Badger Wood afternoon parent appointments 1.30-3.30pm
- Gymnastics Club Y1 – Y3 week 6.

Tuesday 14th October, Farthing Wood after school parent appointments 3.30 – 5.30pm

Wednesday 15th October, Farthing Wood afternoon parent appointments 1-3.30pm

- Keeper Wood after school parent appointments 3.30-5.30pm

Thursday 16th October, Keeper Wood afternoon parent appointments 1.30 – 3.30pm.

- Badger Wood after school parent appointments 3.30-5.30pm

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

MEET THE GOVERNOR

Each week we will be introducing you to a School Governor. We hope that this will help you to find out about the board who set the direction of our school.

I am Lou Todd and I am coming into my 4th year as being a governor of this school. Previously I was vice chair, but I have now been trusted with the responsibilities of being co-chair, alongside Dave Shackley.

There are a few titles that come with being a governor; I'm a parent governor, the wellbeing governor and I'm co-safeguarding governor. A lot of hats that I am very proud to wear.

What do I bring to the table, well...I'm a programme management professional with expertise in continuous improvement and efficiencies. I am an advocate of wellbeing and positive mental health and with this I am a mental health first aider. My day job sees me writing and analysing strategies, which really leans on the big picture approach we have at school.

I would recommend being a Governor if you want to see/ implement change and advocate for the children and school at a higher level. So much goes on behind the scenes and it is fantastic to be a part of the betterment.

If you need to get on touch, please contact school or catch me on the school run. I am here to listen and support where I can.

NEW PARENT GOVERNOR

We are please to welcome Mr Stephen Pease as a new parent governor.

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

REMINDER OPEN EVENING

We are looking forward to welcoming all families to our Open Evening. Please pop in at any time from 3.30-5 to meet the staff, view your child's learning environment and see their learning.

Please bring pound coins to purchase pre worn uniform. There are many items available, grab a bargain!

Families not yet at school are also welcome to see us. Please share the information – everybody welcome!



PHOTOGRAPHS

The photographer will be in school on **Friday, 10th October**, to take family and individual photos. Please bring any pre-school children you would like to include to school at 8.30am. Photos will be taken on a first come, first served basis.

During the morning at school, your child will have an individual photograph taken and a photo with their brothers and sisters at school. Proofs will be sent home for orders. Please ensure that your child wears their smart school uniform (Forest Schools day)

FRIENDS PUMPKIN TRAIL

Tickets now available to buy on ParentPay, save the date!



FARTHING WOOD Y5 & Y6 FOOTBALL

The children in Y5 & Y6 will be taking part in an outdoor Football event at MCSC on **Wednesday, 8th October**.

The children will travel with Perrys coaches and be accompanied by Mrs Bickerton and Mrs G. We will leave school after lunch at 12.30 and return for the end of the school day.

Please wear warm PE kits to school for this event.

Pupils will need to take their own inhalers if necessary. School carries insurance for all school trips. In case of emergency please contact school.

POP UP LIBRARY

Norton Hive Pop up library will be in school on Thursday 2nd October.

RELIEF TEACHING ASSISTANTS

We are always keen to hear from people who would wish to join our team. We are currently looking to appoint some relief teaching assistants. We'd love to hear from you if you'd like to assist in classrooms supporting teachers. There are no set hours for this role, we'll get in touch when we need cover in classes, at lunchtimes or after school. A clear DBS will be required for safeguarding reasons. Please contact the office for a person specification and application form.

EARLY BIRDS AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

We have opened Early Birds and After School Club until Christmas on ParentPay.

Spaces are limited, please get booking!

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



REMINDER FARTHING WOOD STEM VISIT

The children in Farthing Wood will be visiting Scarborough Spa on **Thursday, October 9th** 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 one has been ordered via ParentPay. 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.

ILLNESS AND SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

For NHS-recommended advice on common childhood illnesses and guidance on when your child should stay off school, please visit [Patient.info](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/childhood-illnesses/).



MESSAGES

Please can any messages go straight to the office or be sent via Dojo and not to staff on duty in the playground. This allows staff to focus on keeping children safe and ensures messages get to the appropriate staff member swiftly. Thank you.

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

PARENT EVENING APPOINTMENTS

Please find below the step-by-step guide for booking parents evening appointments. Bookings will **open on Friday 26th September at 3:30pm** and bookings will **close on Friday 10th October at 12 noon**.

Please see the diary dates box for the days and times of the parental video appointments.

Please select the link from here :

[SchoolCloud - West Heslerton C E Primary School](https://westheslerton.schoolcloud.co.uk/)

Please follow the instructions below:

Parents' Guide for Booking Appointments



Browse to <https://westheslerton.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Step 1: Login

Fill out the details on the page then click the *Log In* button.

A confirmation of your appointments will be sent to the email address you provide.

Step 2: Select Parents' Evening

Click on the date you wish to book.

Unable to make all of the dates listed? Click *I'm unable to attend*.

Step 3: Select Booking Mode

Choose *Automatic* if you'd like the system to suggest the shortest possible appointment schedule based on the times you're available to attend. To pick the times to book with each teacher, choose *Manual*. Then press *Next*.

We recommend choosing the automatic booking mode when browsing on a mobile device.

Step 4: Select Availability

Drag the sliders at the top of the screen to indicate the earliest and latest you can attend.

Step 5: Choose Teachers

Select the teachers you'd like to book appointments with. A green tick indicates they're selected. To de-select, click on their name.

Step 6: Book Appointments (Automatic)

If you chose the automatic booking mode, you'll see provisional appointments which are held for 2 minutes. To keep them, choose *Accept* at the bottom left.

If it wasn't possible to book every selected teacher during the times you are able to attend, you can either adjust the teachers you wish to meet with and try again, or switch to manual booking mode.

PARENT EVENING APPOINTMENTS

	Mr J Brown SENCO (AO)	Miss B Patel Class 10B (AE)	Mrs A Wheeler Class 11A (S, T)
16:30	✓		
16:40			
16:50		+	+
17:00		+	+

Step 7: Book Appointments

Click any of the green cells to make an appointment. Blue cells signify where you already have an appointment. Grey cells are unavailable.

To change an appointment, delete the original by hovering over the blue box and clicking *Delete*. Then choose an alternate time.

You can optionally leave a message for the teacher to say what you'd like to discuss, or raise anything beforehand.

Once you're finished booking all appointments, at the top of the page in the alert box, press [click here](#) to finish the booking process.

Teacher	Student	Subject
16:30 Mr Mark Liddick	Jason Keron	English
16:50 Miss Bina Patel	Jason Keron	Religious Education

September Parents Evening
2 appointments from 16:30 to 17:00

Monday 12th September
16:30 - 17:00

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Step 8: Finished

All your bookings now appear on the *My Bookings* page. An email confirmation has been sent and you can also print appointments by pressing *Print*. Click *Subscribe to Calendar* to add these and any future bookings to your calendar.

To change your appointments, click on *Amend Bookings*.

AIR TAGS NOTIFICATION FROM NYC

Parents and carers both locally and nationally are using devices such as the Apple AirTag to track children on school residential/trips/visits/outings. Other devices can also include electronic watches that are essentially tracking devices with the capability of sending video footage from the device back to the person tracking i.e. parent. Such devices have the potential to post locations of children's whereabouts on social media.

NYC have therefore decided that devices will not be allowed in school under any circumstances and must not be hidden in pockets/bags etc. If any tracking devices are found on pupils they will not be allowed on the trip and will be returned to school.

Apple have released the statement below which can be found on their website:

"AirTag was designed to help people locate their personal belongings, not to track people or another person's property, and we condemn in the strongest possible terms any malicious use of our products"

REMINDER MACMILLAN COFFEE EVENT

FRIDAY 3rd October from 9am, please feel free to stay for collective worship 10-10.30am. All welcome. This will be part of the World's Biggest Coffee Morning in aid of MacMillan. Macmillan donations would be welcome in cash please. Donations of cakes to sell would be warmly received. Please pop these into the office on the morning of the event. We hope that slices to take away will be available too.

QUOTE FROM NORTON COLLEGE

It was a pleasure to meet the students yesterday morning and we're pleased to hear they enjoyed the day. Mrs Olley was very complimentary regarding the students engagement and behaviour when visiting the farm!

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

HARVEST FESTIVAL

This year we have decided to support the local foodbank with our Harvest Festival produce. This will help food to go to those most in need in our area. We would ask that all children bring an item from the list below that would be most welcomed by the most vulnerable in our community.

cereals
tinned fruit
tinned vegetables
tinned soup
tinned meat
tinned custard
tinned rice pudding
jars of jam (not home-made)
tea
biscuits
microwave sponge puddings
shower gel
shampoo and conditioner
deodorants
toothpaste
toothbrushes
razors and shaving foam
washing up liquid
washing tablets/liquid
fabric conditioner
toilet cleaner

We look forward to seeing families and friends at our celebration service, all welcome.

- Weekly lessons
- Small class sizes
- Experienced teachers
- Fun structured approach
- Learn core aquatic skills, water safety and swimming strokes
- Take part in exciting activities including water polo, snorkelling and artistic swimming

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Ripon Grammar School, HG4 2DG
Queen Ethelburga's, YO26 9SS
Robert Wilkinson School, YO32 5UH
Henshaws College, HG1 4ED
The Mount, Malton

FW & KW CINEMA VISIT

Farthing Wood and Keeper Wood will experience a trip to the cinema on **Friday 14th November**. We'll be seeing Wicked at Vue cinema, York. We will be travelling with Esk Valley Coaches.

We have secured cinema tickets from Into Film. School will fund the cost of the bus so there is no cost to parents. School uniform will be needed please so that we can clearly identify everyone. Children will need a packed lunch for this visit.

Please consent via ParentPay, if you would like school to provide a packed lunch, please request one when prompted. ***Please consent to this trip before Friday 17th October.***

Pupils will need to take their own inhalers if necessary.

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