

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER October 8th 2021

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

COVID

Should you have **any positive Covid test results**, please share these with us using covid@heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk so that we can work with Health England. Emails are checked daily, including weekends, to identify cases of children at school and home. Pupils, staff and other adults must not come into the school if they have one or more coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms. A PCR test should be arranged and pupils should stay away from school until the outcome is known. If positive, they should remain at home for at least 10 days. School regularly communicate with Public Health England and we are monitoring our situation. We have taken the decision to reintroduce bubbles as a temporary measure. PHE will impose restrictions if necessary which could include remote learning and cancellation of events.

BANK HOLIDAY

Schools have been asked to arrange an extra day's holiday next year in lieu of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday. Governors have agreed this will be on **Tuesday, January 4th 2022**. January 5th is a training day therefore the children will return to school on **Thursday**,

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The school Harvest Festival will take place at West Heslerton church on **Friday, October 22nd at 1.30pm**. It is unlikely that PHE will advise us to remove current bubbles in the two weeks ahead, despite a fall in covid cases in school. Bubbles limit contact between pupils, helping to prevent further covid cases. Children will attend church to celebrate harvest in separate bubbles. Due to the need to space out, parents are sadly not able to be included in the harvest event despite our planning to use harvest to bring everyone together. We hope this will ensure we all have a safe and happy holiday. We have planned for parents to attend the nativity this year and will let parents know these dates in plenty of time. Parents of children in both reception and year 1 will be especially keen to be part of this special event. School staff feel the frustration of parents – school felt more normal in September when we could have everyone in one place. We will get back to this as soon as we possibly can.

FARTHING WOOD SPA VISIT

The children in Farthing Wood will be visiting Scarborough Spa on **Thursday, October 14th** for the Science and Engineering Festival. They will travel with Perry's coaches and 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 in a manageable bag and wear a suitable outdoor coat. If you require a school packed lunch, please order this on Monday. Pupils will need to take their own inhalers if necessary. School carries insurance for all school trips. In case of emergency please contact the school.

SWIMMING

May we please remind you that children in Badgers and Keepers need to arrive at school at 8.30 on Tuesdays for registration as we leave for swimming at 8.45am. Thank you

FAMILY PHOTOS

The photographer will be in school on **Wednesday, October 20th** to take family and individual photos. Please bring any pre-school children you would like to include to school at 8.30am. Social distancing will be maintained..

mat, please contact the school office.

PARENT EVENING

Many thanks to Badger Wood parents for this week's parent evening. It was good to talk to parents.

Keeper Wood evenings are next week.

OPEN EVENING

We will be holding an Open Evening in the outdoor area in Badger Wood on **Wednesday, October 13th** from 3.45 – 5.15pm for families of pre-schoolchildren. Do spread the word!

FLU IMMUNISATION

Children who have been registered for this will receive their immunisation on Wednesday October 13th.

ATTACHED

Please find attached:

- Club letters

IQ CARDS – CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER 2021

Please return and pay for all orders by Monday, October 11th, thank you.

Your payment must be made to the school with the order via Parent Pay as per the instructions on the sheet.

Please support the school by ordering.

Any queries please contact the school office.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

The following after school clubs will take place next half term. Please see attached letters where relevant:

Gymnastics – Keeper Wood

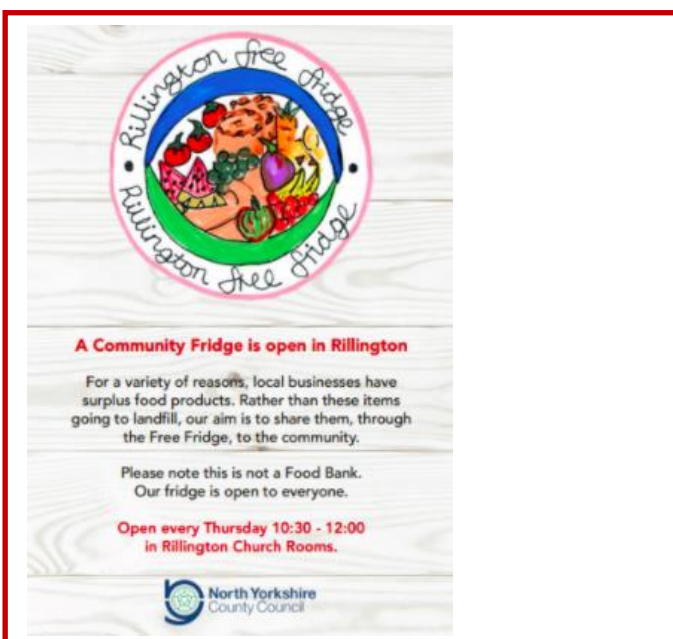
Bible Story - Farthing Wood

Yoga - Years 1 and 2

Golf - Keeper Wood

Let's Play - Farthing Wood

The Forest School child care facility opens Monday to Thursday 3.30-5.30pm It is £5 for up to 1 hour and £8 for up to 2 hours.



BADGER WOOD

Year 1 and 2 football.



The children in reception have had a busy afternoon bread making!



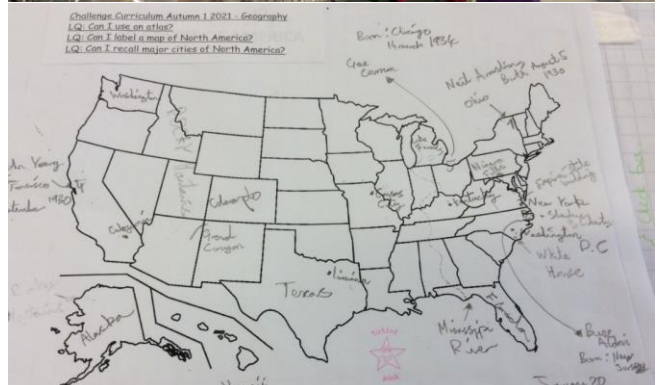
KEEPER WOOD

We have been learning about the Roman numerals and the tricky rules there are.



FARTHING WOOD

Challenge afternoon again in Farthing Wood. We have been: creating a spreadsheet of facts about the planets; using an atlas to label places in North America; making a moon buggy and exploring different textures in art.



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