



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

NEWSLETTER 6th OCTOBER 2023

DIARY DATES

Monday 9th October, Friends meeting at 2.30pm all welcome

- BW parent phone calls

Tuesday 10th October, FW parent phone calls

Wednesday 11th October, KW parent phone calls

- FW to MCSC for basketball and netball

Thursday 12th October, FW STEM visit

- KW parent phone calls

Monday 16th October, Bag2School collection

Wednesday 18th October, Flu immunisations

- FW to Malton

Friday 27th October, Harvest Festival at 1.30pm at West Heslerton Church, all invited.

- School closes for half term

Monday 6th November, School begins

Wednesday 8th November, FW & KW to Cineworld

Wednesday 20th December, Nativity

- Christmas lunch

Friday 22nd December, School closes for Christmas.

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 and Dojo for details.

<http://www.heslerton.n-yorks.sch.uk>

FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

Come and join the Friends of school on **Monday 9th October** for our first meeting of the year. We hope to suggest and plan events for the next 12 months. Social events, fundraising events and any other new ideas appreciated. The kettle will be on at **2.30!** Adults, wider family members and pre-schoolers all welcome.

FARTHING WOOD STEM VISIT

The children in Farthing Wood will be visiting Scarborough Spa on **Thursday, October 12th** for the Science and Engineering Festival. They will travel by coach with Perry's Travel 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**, drinks only in cartons please, no cans or bottles. School packed lunches will be provided for the children that returned the lunch forms.

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.

FARTHING WOOD

PE with Lady Lumley's
Farthing Wood enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of PE with Caron Twamley from Lady Lumley's School. Farthing Wood used a range of PE resources to devise playground games for younger children at school.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

The school Harvest Festival will take place at West Heslerton All Saints church on **Friday, October 27th at 1.30pm** please join us, all welcome.

We would be happy to receive donations of store cupboard produce. Tins and packets will be shared with local older residents in the community.

Children can go home from church with an adult at the end of this service.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Badger Wood parents for the parental phone calls. More next week. Please check Dojo for the allocated times.

SENT HOME

London letter to Y5 & Y6 who expressed interest. In this trip in June 2024.

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

MEET THE GOVERNOR - SARAH CRAGGS

I'm Sarah Craggs, a co-opted Governor, and I have been on the governing body since 2021. I live locally, I'm an Actuary and I work at Aviva as a Deal Manager in Bulk Purchase Annuities, so I have a strong background in finance. As well as seeking to continuously improve the good academic standards, I think it's really important that children get a rounded education in terms of different subjects and experiences, in an environment where they are safe and feel happy.

KEEPER WOOD

FOREST SCHOOLS

Conker collecting at church. There were some lovely conversations about family members in the graveyards. Mrs T was sharing stories too. We have some very inquisitive children. 😊😊



REMINDER

If your child is ill and not in school, please phone school **by 9am each day** of absence.

FOREST SCHOOL CHILDCARE CLUB

We have been making changes to our school building to help the Forest School Club run even smoother. When collecting from the Forest School Club, please ring the bell next to the large gate at the rear of the car park. Staff will be able to see who is collecting. Children will then be brought by staff into the hall to collect their school things and leave forest school kits to dry inside. Children will be handed over and signed out near the new Forest School Club collection point and come down the steps leading from the library. Let's see how we get on, feedback upon this new system is welcome.

FARTHING WOOD BASKETBALL & NETBALL

The children in Farthing Wood will be taking part in a Basketball and netball event at MCSC on **Wednesday, October 11th**. The children will travel with Fletcher's coaches and be accompanied by Mrs Wardell and Miss Mitchell. We will leave school at 12.40 and return for the end of the school day. 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.

BADGER WOOD

The reception children have been working hard on their counting songs. Well done everyone.



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PARENTING COURSE

October
12th @ 12.30pm
Behaviour

What is going on with your child's behaviour?

Do you often question why your child is behaving in a certain way? Why are they hitting/kicking/lashing out? Why do they always shout? Why won't they listen?

What is your approach to discipline like? Do you tend to react the same way each time?

Join Anisa (Parenting Coach) on the 12th October for her monthly Free Parenting Clinics, this talk is focused on behaviour and what we can do to support ourselves and our young people.

Join us on zoom, for the 30-minute talk.

Book here:

<https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic>

or

email: hello@anisalewis.com for the booking link

(The clinic is recorded and sent out to those who register)

BAG 2 SCHOOL FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS

In partnership with your school or organisation



West Heslerton C E Primary School

Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS (THERE IS NO LIMIT).

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:

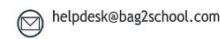
Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!
Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit

Please return your Bag2School on:

Monday 16th October 2023 by 9am



BIG AMBITION SURVEY

The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched **The Big Ambition**. The Big Ambition aims to hear from children across England on what they think is important. The Children's Commissioner wants to take children's thoughts, opinions and ideas to decision-makers, to make sure that the Government hears young people's voices on what they think needs to be done to make children's lives better in England.

The Big Ambition is open to children and young people in England aged 0-18 years old. The survey would like to hear from children and young people aged from 6 to 18. Parents are also being encouraged to complete the survey for those who may need additional support or on behalf of younger children (under 6) to make sure the needs of early years children are represented too.

It takes around **10 minutes** to complete and can be completed on mobile phones, tablets, laptops and computers. Everything in the survey is anonymous. The survey asks for information about the person responding, the child's age, and what school they attend. The questions are slightly different depending on the age of the child answering, but, everyone is asked what they think the Government should do to make children's lives better.

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