



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

NEWSLETTER 10th OCTOBER 2025

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

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

BADGER WOOD

92.75%

KEEPER WOOD

97.58%

FARTHING WOOD

98.21%

DIARY DATES

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, Swimming Y1 – Y4 week 5.

- Keeper Wood afternoon parent appointments 1.30 – 3.30pm.
- Badger Wood after school parent appointments 3.30-5.30pm.

Friday 17th October, Deadline for ordering a school packed lunch for the FW & KW cinema visit.

Monday 20th October, Gymnastics Club Y1 – Y3 week 7 and the last session for this half term.

- Friends of School AGM 2:30pm.

Thursday 23rd October, Swimming Y1 – Y4 week 6.

- Norton Hive Pop Up Library 2pm.

Friday 24th October, Harvest Service at church 1:30pm.

- School closes for half term.

Sunday 26th October, Friends Pumpkin Trail 3-5pm – see poster for details, tickets available on ParentPay.

HALF TERM BREAK

Monday 3rd November, School opens.

- Gymnastics Club Y3 – Y6 week 1.

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

THANK YOU

Thank you to Revd Cate for arranging and leading the Galatians collective worship in school on Tuesday.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The school Harvest Festival will take place at West Heslerton All Saints church on **Friday, October 24th at 1.30pm** please join us, all welcome.

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 and toothbrushes
razors and shaving foam
washing up liquid
washing tablets/liquid and fabric conditioner
toilet cleaner

Children can go home from church with an adult at the end of this service. Please inform school of any changes to your child's usual routine.

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

FRIENDS PUMPKIN TRAIL

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



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.

My name is Rachel Wells. I am the Headteacher Governor and I've held this role for 24 years. As headteacher, I bring information to the board and answer their questions. I am a board member so work in a team with the other Governors - I don't have any special powers. I have lots of knowledge of education that I can assist the board with.

I have sat on 3 other boards as Parent Governor and Staff Governor and would recommend being a Governor to others - it's a great way to meet new people, work together for the community and to be part of positive change. If you'd like to know more about the work of the Governors, would like the Governors to consider any suggestions or would like to be part of our team, please pop and see me at school.

BAG 2 SCHOOL

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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:

Thursday 6th November 2025



01609 780 222



www.bag2school.com



helpdesk@bag2school.com

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

To encourage good attendance from all pupils, we have a weekly cup awarded to the class with the best attendance. We will also be finding ways to praise those individuals with 100% attendance each half term. Please encourage your child to attend school as often as possible. Attendance at school has been shown to link to better progress and outcomes for children. If you are unsure if your child is well enough to come to school, this information may be useful <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

48 HOUR RULE

Pupils can return to school 48 hours after the last incident of sickness or diarrhoea. Please phone the school office on each day of sickness on **01944 728 286**.

Please note that we have a 24 hour answerphone and pick up messages daily.

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

REMINDER 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](#)

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 Wheaton 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 Aaron	English
16:50 Miss Bina Patel	Jason Aaron	Religious Education

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](#).

PARENTING SMART

Parenting can be joyful but also very hard. Each week we aim to bring you a link that may be useful to you to find your way. This week's short clip may help you manage childhood meltdowns.

[My child has meltdowns | Place2Be's Parenting Smart \(youtube.com\)](#) my child has meltdowns.

REMINDER FW & KW CINEMA 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.***

GYMNASTICS CLUB

There will be a Gymnastics Club at West Heslerton CE School next half term for **4 weeks** for pupils in **Years 3-6**. The club will be run by Harry Shearer Sports School, funded by school sports funding, **free of charge** to children.

This will take place from 3.30pm – 4.30pm from **Monday 3rd November to Monday 24th November 2025 inclusive**. Numbers are limited therefore, places will be on a first come, first served basis. Should your child decide not to continue, please let us know. Places are limited.

Should your child wish to join this club, please block book the sessions on **ParentPay**.

LORD'S PRAYER INFO

As part of Faith in the North, the Diocese of York are inviting schools across the North of England to come together in saying the Lord's Prayer on Friday, 10th October 2025.

We were able to say this prayer together today in school.

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

FRIENDS AGM AGENDA

Present:

Apologies:

Review of previous year's activities:

Finance update:

Headteachers report:

Committee:

Annual events to schedule:

Future events to discuss:

Any other business

Date of next meeting

SWEETS IN THE VILLAGE

We have been made aware that a villager is offering free sweets and toys on the way to and from school. These are left out for people to take. We have not checked these sweets and cannot be sure they are safe to eat.

We encourage all children to walk down through the village on the school side of the road. The free sweets are on the other side of the road encouraging children to cross the road at busy times.

We have asked all children therefore not to cross the road and not to take any sweets from strangers. We hope that parents will support us in order to keep all children safe.