

# WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

## NEWSLETTER April 22<sup>nd</sup> 2016

### SCHOOL

As you will have all noticed the number of children at school is steadily growing! This is a positive step for the school, enabling more funding and development of the classes. West Heslerton has been a larger school before and we are fortunate to have room for 3 classes when necessary.

The Governors have taken the decision to employ a part-time teacher from September 2016, initially for 1 year. This will enable the children to continue to work in small groups as appropriate. In order to maintain such a position we need to keep the numbers increasing so please get out and spread the word about school.

### ST. GEORGE'S DAY

Well done to all the children, the school was a sea of red, white and blue! Thank you to those children who brought a prize for Friends of school, these are for the Bingo night on Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>.

### EXPLORERS CLUBS

All children who requested a place at the Explorers Club on Tuesdays from May 3<sup>rd</sup> to June 28<sup>th</sup> have a place. We hope they all enjoy this club.

### AFTER SCHOOL CARE

We have a number of families in school who could be looking for after school care. School has facilities available for this, at no cost, if you or someone you know would be interested in a child care opportunity. Please contact school to discuss further.

### BADGER WOOD AND THE QUEEN

On Thursday we looked at what our Queen does for us and what she has done while on the throne. We wrote a birthday message to her in the special book they have put up for her birthday and took a photo to go with it. I'm sure the queen will love reading through them all.

To your Majesty, Our class would like to say 'Happy birthday' to you!  
We hope you have a nice dinner tonight to celebrate.  
We all like what you do for our country,  
God save the Queen.  
Enjoy the rest of your birthday.  
Love all the children in Badger Wood



This can be found on the following link:

<http://www.thequeensbirthdaybook.com/QueensBirthday/Contributions/BirthdayMessages/516>

Search Laura Tattersley

### PARENT GOVERNOR

We have a vacancy on the school's Governing Body for a Parent Governor. Please contact school if you are interested in this role.

### FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

#### Starlight clothing collection

Thank you to those families who brought bags of clothes. We collected 173kg which raised £69.20 for school and £17.30 for Starlight.

#### Friends meeting

Please see attached the minutes of the Friends meeting held last Friday.

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

## ANCIENT GREECE WASN'T BUILT IN A DAY (OR WAS IT?)

On Wednesday this week the whole school began to ask questions about how modern and Ancient Greek cities are both similar and different. With a little bit of research everyone began to notice that there are lots of similarities! We found out that Ancient Greeks cities had theatres, houses, community buildings, swimming pools and even police stations. This set us up for our task to recreate a 'Junk Model Ancient Greek City'.



### GRAND OPERA HOUSE YORK

Two brand new Horrible Histories shows are coming to York Opera House on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm.

Groovy Greeks takes you on a thrilling adventure through Greek civilisation as we journey to Troy to see the Trojan horse. We discover the differences between growing up in Sparta and Athens and how the two cities dominated the country. We take part in a Greek play and join competitors in the first ever Olympic Games. We learn about slaves, discover democracy and meet great philosophers and thinkers. We enter a Greek hospital to test ancient medicine and meet Hippocrates. The Greek gods Zeus, Poseidon, Aphrodite and Athena compete for our attention, and we enter the world of myth to confront the Minotaur of Crete. When the Persians invade we face them at Thermopylae and take to the seas to shatter their ships at Salamis.

### ATTACHMENTS

Please find attached:-

- Friends minutes
- Headingley cricket visit -Keepers
- Cycling pack –Y5/6
- Pet service flyer
- Messy Church flyer

### EASY FUNDRAISING

Thank you to all who have used this, Friends of School have received a cheque for £30 so far so keep shopping!

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising a free donation for Heselton Primary School Friends?

There are nearly 3,000 retailers on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, the trainline and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra!

It's really simple, all you have to do is:

1. Join.

Head to

<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/heslertonprimaryschoolfriends/> and sign up for free.

2. Shop.

Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first, pick the retailer you want and start shopping.

3. Raise.

After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever! There are no catches or hidden charges and Heselton Primary School Friends will be really grateful for your donations. Thank you for your support.

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