

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER May 4th 2018

MAY DAY HOLIDAY

School will be closed on **Monday, May 7th** for the May Day holiday. Dinner money next week is £9.20p.

STAY AND PLAY

We would like to invite you to join us in Badger Wood on Monday, May 21st from 2.15 -3.15pm for "Stay and Play" in Badger Wood, tea and coffee in the hall from 2.00-2.15pm. This will be an opportunity for parents, grandparents, younger siblings and carers to join us to see the children in their class and give parents an opportunity to talk with each other, as well joining their children in their activities.

We look forward to seeing you.

NORTON COLLEGE

The children in year 5 have been invited to visit Norton College on **Wednesday, May 16th** for the day. They will get a chance to experience a day at secondary school.

A minibus, provided by Norton College, will collect students from school at 9.30 and drop them after 2.30 back at school. **The children will need to take a packed lunch.**

If your child requires an inhaler please ensure this is with them. No money will be required. School carries County Insurance for all school trips. In case of emergency, please contact school.

CRICKET MATCH

Our cricket club final session will be a cricket match for parents and children with Scarborough Cricket Club on Tuesday, May 22nd at 3.30pm. Come along and have a go! All welcome.

CHILDREN' UNIVERSITY

Passports are due in on the following dates:

Badger Wood: Friday, May 11th

All Passports: Friday, June 8th

COMMUNITY CAFÉ

The Community Café at West Heslerton village hall is open each Monday from 8.45 – 11.30am. Come along and meet old and new friends, all welcome.

LASER SHOOTING

Pupils in Keeper Wood and Farthing Wood have had another opportunity to take part in laser shooting this week. With this great tuition from their coaches here in school, Yorkshire pentathlon would love to have some Heslerton children aged 8 or over sign up for the local GB Laser Run. A laser run is the last phase of a modern pentathlon, consisting of laser shooting and running a short course. The nearest event is the Scarborough Laser Run, taking place at Scarborough College on **June 6th**. This event is suitable for all ages, levels and abilities with no previous experience needed. To enter your child, please visit www.pentathlongb.org We will host our own laser run in school this half term to help pupils prepare for this event.

Good luck to all!

HOLIDAY NATURE ACTIVITY

Join the team from Natural England at Scampston Hall for a hands-on family activity designed to help raise awareness, inspire new generations and create local action for our natural environment.

Wednesday 30th May 10am-12noon and 1-3pm

Wildlife explorers day – join us on this adventure day as we head around the grounds tracking small animals and birds and searching for mini-beasts. All ages welcome; booking essential, £6 per child per session, reductions for siblings .

For more information contact

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

BADGER WOOD

What a fun week in badgers... full of imaginative writing!

In English this week we started looking at the Viking story 'Hack and Whack', it is about 2 viking children that do not want it to be bedtime! We decided as much as it is a funny story, it is missing lots of descriptive writing, so we decided to write our own versions of the story to make it better. Everyone did a super job at writing the beginning together, and then going and writing the middle (the adventure bit) on their own. I can't wait to keep developing them over the next few weeks.

On Friday we had Hertford Vale School visit us again for Forest Schools, so much fun! It was all based on snails!! We made snail habitats and put our maths skills into practise as we did lots of size ordering, pattern and shape work!

KEEPER WOOD

This week in Keepers we have been investigating position and direction and learning about the difference between clockwise and anti-clockwise. We have also been briefly looking at statistics. The children have really enjoyed observing their plants in science and watching them change. We have been watering them and making notes in the morning. We will use the data to create graphs in the future.

In English, we have been focussing upon comprehension and discussing different scenarios. Keepers seem to be really enjoying the class book.

We have carried on with our topic teams on an afternoon and there are some very good ideas developing. Keep it up guys.

FARTHING WOOD

A great start to our Beowulf newspaper reports this week...some really gruesome details were included to describe the attack that took place by Grendal at the Viking mead- hall!

Circles has come round again (pardon the pun) as part of our revision work, so we have been using compasses to draw circles with the same radius as the Fibonacci sequence. We have then used these to create pieces of art work. It has been a real eye opener to discuss how nature and maths are so closely linked.

DERWENT VALLEY PRE-SCHOOL

Derwent Valley Pre-school is celebrating 50 years and will be holding a garden party on Sunday 3rd June 2018 from 11am-3pm. They would love to hear from any previous parents, carers, children and staff who have photos or memories they would like to share. Please contact Sally on 07961955956 or look at the facebook page.

FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

Please find attached the minutes from the last Friends meeting.

Friends are holding a summer prize draw, see attached letter, and would ask that you hand this out to another person please.

KINDLING

Kindling bundles for sale, £2 a net. Available from the wire container near the main entrance of school. Please put money in an envelope marked "Kindling Friends of School" and pop through the letterbox, thank you.

ATTACHMENTS

Please see attached:

- Friends minutes
- Friends Prize letter
- Test timetable – Y2, Y6