

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER April 29th 2016

ATTENDANCE

Following the Easter holiday we have noticed that the children's punctuality is not reliable in the mornings. May we please remind you that **school's official starting time is 8.45 am** when staff will lock the gate. Pupils arriving after this time should report to the school office. Any child arriving between the start of school and 8.55am, when registration closes, will be registered with a late mark. Those arriving after this time will be marked absent for the session unless a reason is given. School may then, following NYCC guidance, authorise this lateness. It is important that pupils are punctual and arrive prepared for the day's learning. It is important that pupils arriving after 8.45 are escorted to the school office to ensure they arrive safely into our care and have dinners ordered etc.

We will continue to monitor this.

HEADINGLEY

Just to remind you that children in Keeper Wood need to be at school for 8.30am prompt on Thursday for their visit to Headingley. Don't forget your packed lunch!

MAY DAY

School will be closed on Monday, May 2nd for the May Day holiday. Dinner money next week will be £8.40.

EASY FUNDRAISING

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 Heslerton 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 Heslerton Primary School Friends will be really grateful for your donations. Thank you for your support.

EXPLORERS CLUBS

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

PARKING

Please may we ask you not to park too close to the pedestrian gate as access is required at all times for emergency and farm vehicles. This part of the road is narrow and larger vehicles, including coaches, need space to pass. Thank you.

PLAYTIME TOYS

May we please ask that children do not bring their own toys/games into school for playtimes. School provides a range of playtime toys and equipment suitable for the space we have available. We do not want any toys to be damaged, thank you.

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

BADGER WOOD

What a busy week in Badgers as we dived straight into our new topic. We started by looking at what a myth was to be able to help us understand the Greek Myths we are reading. We found that the myths have been passed down through generations, each believing in the stories. They have a moral to them - which we learnt is a theme that teaches us something. Using all this knowledge we made some very bright posters to help us remember as we look into our myths further.

We had a great craft afternoon building our own versions on the Minotaur's maze! It was great to see each maze was different and how scary the minotaurs were...one was even in a cage!

We carried on our craft work by building Athens...out of marshmallows and straws! Crazy I know, but all for a purpose to help us construct 3D shapes to work out the properties. All the villages looked great, so did the sticky fingers.

Next week, we will be texting mapping and acting our myths to help us remember the style of writing a little more and building our very own Icarus with wings!

Have a good long weekend.

KEEPER WOOD

On Wednesday 27th of April we went to Malton Sports Centre for a Gymnastics festival, also at the festival there was Amotherby, Saint Marys, Malton and us of course! There was 7 activities, including vault, mats and balance beams. We did all of the activities, but missed out on one as it took us 1 hour 15 minutes to get to Malton because of snow! We all had fun at the festival!

It was a messy afternoon in Keeper Wood on Thursday 28th of April, there was card everywhere and sugar paper out! However, we managed to produce 31 Spartan Shields with a diameter of 30.5cm to fit into are topic this term.

Written by Sadie and Lucy

Individual targets next week will aim to cover:

Maths : CLIC, cricket word problems, cricket statistics

English: Grammar, Cricket poetry

Science: Plant growth

PE: Headingly cricket trip, forest schools

Modern Foreign Languages: French

Plus many other areas of the curriculum along the way!

Christian Values Target: Humility

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.

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.

ATTACHMENTS

Please find attached:-

- Kwik cricket – Y1-6
- Malton School flyer
- Church magazine
- Film Club
- Table top sale