

# WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

## NEWSLETTER May 5<sup>th</sup> 2017

### ATTENDANCE

May we please remind you that school starts at 8.45am and finishes at 3.25pm. Children need to arrive at school on time and we ask you to be prompt collecting at the end of the day.

During next week and other weeks in May children will be sitting tests, many of which take place in the school hall, so we will not be able to walk through this area. It is therefore especially important that children arrive in the school playground on time.

### SUMMER WEATHER

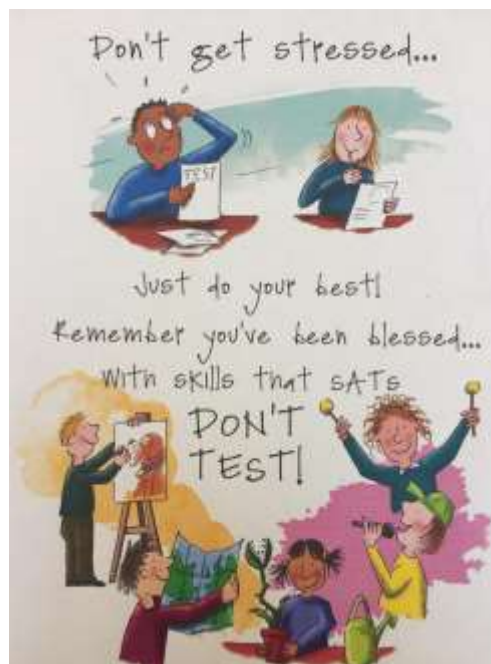
As the weather gets warmer may we remind you to name uniform as sweatshirts are removed and left around school! Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school. Please see attached Sun Policy.

### PARKING

Unfortunately we still have a number of parents stopping to drop off their children on the zigzags outside school and also in the entrance to the school, causing their children to cross the car park. Please will parents park down High Street or in the village and walk up to school during this dry weather. Thank you.



Good Luck to all year 6 children in next week's national tests.



### UNIVERSITY PASSPORTS

Children in Farthing Wood need to bring in their passports by Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> please.

All passports are then due in by Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, this will be an end to this year's activities. Please see attached a log sheet.

### GYMNASTICS FESTIVAL

All children in KS2 will be taking part in a gym festival as their P.E lesson on Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. This will take place indoors at Malton Community Sports Centre from 1.00pm – 2.45pm. Pupils will wear their P.E. kits.

We will leave school at 12.30pm after an early lunch and will return for the end of the school day. The children will need to bring a water bottle to be able to have a drink whilst there. They will need their P.E kits.

The children will be travelling by Fletcher's coach and will be accompanied by school staff. Pupils with inhalers should bring these with them.

### **BADGER WOOD**

A busy start back for Badgers, but a good one. We enjoyed doing a non-fiction recount wall map of our trip on our sentence stacking wall. Then everyone used the wall map to help them write their own super versions of what happened on the trip to Hull. Reception are doing a fantastic job of text mapping the trip, it's great to watch them go through the actions too!

Fab forest school afternoon on Friday, lots of investigations going on about plants. Everyone dissected a plant to find out what goes on inside a plant. Then everyone planted their own vegetable, we are hoping to watch these grow over time then harvest them and enjoy eating them!

### **KEEPER WOOD**

It's been super busy this week in Keeper Wood! We've been writing recounts on our exciting trip to Hull and we've been thinking about how we can make our writing exciting for the reader, by using rhetorical questions and interesting facts that we had found out.

We've also started our science topic of animals including humans and we have discussed all of the main food groups. We then made an interesting demonstration of the digestive system by using tights, water, crackers and cups!

Next week we will be joined by the years 5s and will be doing lots of RE based activities! We'll be comparing Hull to where we live.

### **SCHOOL SAVINGS SCHEME**

At West Heslerton School we operate a savings scheme for parents to save as much or as little as they would like, either regularly or just from time to time.

We offer the children the opportunity to take part in a wide range of activities, some of which we ask for a parental contribution and others we pay for from the school budgets. We are conscious that costs can add up and sometimes visits come along all at once! Saving just a small amount can spread these costs and some children have taken money home at the end of their time here!

If you would like to start a savings scheme for your child or family, please ask at the office.

### **FARTHING WOOD**

This week Farthing Wood have spent a lot of time creating excellent written recount drafts of our Hull trip, then improving these by using the 'FANTASTICS' to produce an improved final piece. These pieces really do give a clear picture of how much the class got out of experiencing the Humber Bridge and the detailed tour of 'The City of Culture'.

What is happening on 'Resilience Road' this week?

This has led to us focussing on building our own street in Hull called 'Resilience Road'. Topic teams have begun to create houses and families for the street. Our families are: the Cena family; the Greenmason family; the Allanets; the Walker family; the Shvaszs family and the Wilson family.

### **BREAK TIME SNACKS**

Fruit or vegetables are provided for all children in Badger Wood each morning break time. Children in Farthing Wood and Keeper Wood may bring a fruit snack if they wish. This needs to be kept separate from any pack ups. Snacks are available from the school kitchen at morning break.

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

West Heslerton Primary School will be celebrating 50 years on their current site on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> 2017. We would like to invite all present and past pupils to celebrate with us from 11am to 3pm on this day. Come along and relive your days at school, meet old friends and enjoy memories. We will be serving tea and coffee but feel free to bring a picnic and spend time reminiscing together.

We would love you to come along and bring any old photos etc. to share along with those we have in school. Please pass the word to all and we hope to see lots of you on this special birthday.

### **DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING**

There is now a defibrillator sited in the village. An awareness session has been arranged for Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> May in the village hall from 10.00-11.30am. All are welcome to go along and learn more about how this works.

### **ATTACHED**

Please find attached:

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| - SRE letter – year 6     | - Friends agenda  | - Messy Church |
| - Parent Governor vacancy | - Scampston Flyer |                |
| - Sun Policy              | - HSS flyer       |                |