

# WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

## NEWSLETTER September 30<sup>th</sup> 2016

### STAFFING

As West Heslerton School continues to flourish and grow, we are pleased to be able to provide three classes for the foreseeable future. The Governors have approved an increase in hours for Miss Dolan from January 2017.

The children will not be swimming, therefore Miss Dolan will teach Keeper Wood all day Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning. The whole school will take part in Forest School activities on Friday afternoons with Mrs Woodward, Miss Tattersley, Mrs Triffitt and Mrs Wardell.

### PARENT EVENING

Thank you to those parents of children in new classes who attended parents' evening. There will be an opportunity for all parents to visit school for Open Afternoon / Evening on Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> – details to follow.

### HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our school harvest festival will take place on Friday 21st October. This will be held at All Saint's West Heslerton from 1.30 and usually lasts for about an hour. This service will involve all children and all pupils are encouraged to bring a donation of produce. Everyone is very welcome to this event (and parents wishing to do so may take their children home directly from church).

This year, our theme is Harvest in Roman Times. After feedback from previous services, during our service we are collecting 3 types of produce for 3 groups, which you may wish to bear in mind whilst shopping over the next few weeks:

- **Toiletry items for Hope Central's Foodbank** - often food donations are given to the food bank yet staple items such as toothbrushes, shampoo etc are also required for adults and children in need of assistance. All items warmly welcomed.
- **Tinned produce for villagers** - older residents have access to mobile shops visiting the village selling fresh fruit and veg, meat, fish and bakery items. Often they have no store cupboard ingredients, tins etc. Packets and tins of produce suitable for individuals or couples are warmly welcomed. We will package these up into gifts and give these to pensioners attending the Soup and Pudding Club run in the village for older residents.
- **Fresh produce** - A regular soup and pudding club is run for over 55s in the village. Fresh veg donated will be used to create soups which may be frozen and used over time for these meetings. Fruits will be used to create puddings for these events.

We are looking forward to warmly welcoming everyone to our Harvest Festival at All Saint's Church.

### RYEDALE BOOK FESTIVAL

#### Parent Assembly

Farthing Wood pupils, as part of the Ryedale Literary Festival, have been working upon performance poetry this term. After many rehearsals and an impressive contest held here in school Ellie Greenwell, Alfie Powlesland and Maia Dukes will be representing school in the P Factor final at the Milton Rooms on Friday October 7th. All Farthing Wood pupils will attend the final.

However, the Milton Rooms will be full and no further audience space is available there. Heslerton will be live streaming this event as part of a special parents' assembly on Friday October 7th. Starting at 12.40, we will be going straight to poet Andy Seed's live broadcast at 12.45. Heslerton will be the first school to perform. Following this, we will hold our regular Friday Assembly before returning to see other performances from local schools. For those of you able to stay, we hope to see the winners announced before 2.15.

### BEHAVIOUR POLICY

Please find attached a copy of our amended Behaviour Policy.

If you require this in a different format

### BADGER WOOD

Wow, what another busy week in Badger Wood. We started by writing our glossaries to help us understand a little more about our Roman topic. Every did a super explanation of their word! Then it was all things measure! We looked at measuring using cm, g, kg, ml and l! Can you find anything to measure at home Badgers for a WOW moment?  
Next week, we are looking at nonsense poetry and fractions!

### FARTHING WOOD

Plenty of fraction action in class this week! Who would have known that multiplying two proper fractions together would result in an answer that is smaller rather than larger, as you might expect e.g. one half X (of) one half is one quarter. Fantastic fraction fun with play-doh, dominoes and drawing. Keep practising for next week when we will be throwing in percentages and decimals too!

### KEEPER WOOD

This week in Keeper Wood we have been thinking about how we can add suspense into our writing. We have used short sentences, adjectives, similes, metaphors and ellipsis to create suspense, based on a creepy tree in a forest. We have been continuing with CLIC and thinking about how we use addition in real life situations. We have also started to look at doubling two-digit numbers and how we can do this mentally. Continuing with our Roman topic, we looked at different types of gladiators and how their armour and weapons give them different names.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

What is Operation Christmas Child?  
Operation Christmas Child is where you fill a shoebox with presents for poor children in other countries who don't have any toys. You can include toys, school supplies and hygiene items. You can send into school a shoebox, (wrapped) with some presents in or a donation of a small thing to add into one of school's shoeboxes. You will have to donate £3 for the shipping cost. You can complete your box for a boy or girl aged 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14. Please send your shoebox into school by Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> November, thank you.  
Alfie, Ellie and Maia Dukes

### SPORTS KIT

Well done to all in Keeper Wood and Farthing Wood who ran in the Cross country at West Heslerton this week. All pupils wore a school sports shirt. Please wash and ask your child to return this at registration time where we can tick their name off the loan list, thank you.

### FUN RUN

This year's Scarborough Fun Run will be held on Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup>. With a choice of 1.6 miles or 1 mile races, there is something for everyone! You can choose which distance to cover on the day. **Scarborough Athletics Club are offering free places to all local school children and families through schools. If you and your family wish to be involved please inform the school office.** Let's hope we can encourage enough children, friends and families to join us to retain the cup for participation for the 8<sup>th</sup> consecutive year!  
See you out running!

### TEDDY BEAR

Thank you to all who supported Ellie and Maisie this week. The teddy bear was called Buddy and was won by Charlie Swiers. £ 35 was raised for Yorkshire Cancer Research.

### CHILD CARE

Does anyone know of a child minder who would be able to drop/collect from school please?

### ATTACHMENTS

Please find attached:

- East Barnby letter – years 3 and 4
- Operation Christmas Child flyer
- Film Club flyer
- Andy Seed flyer – years 5 and 6
- Raring to Go
- Half term holiday club
- Yorkshire Attractions

### UNDERWATER ADVENTURES

The final session for this club is on Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>.

mat, please contact the school office.

## CROSS COUNTRY

On Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> September 2016, Keeper Wood and Farthing Wood took part in the cross country event at West Heselton Primary School. The run is about 4.5 miles. Out of our school the fastest boys were:

1<sup>st</sup> Charlie Swiers      2<sup>nd</sup> Will North      3<sup>rd</sup> Jake Allardice

the fastest girls were:

1<sup>st</sup> Isabel North      2<sup>nd</sup> Maisie Greenwell      3<sup>rd</sup> Holly Dent

Everyone did the fun run –

Boys from our school: 1<sup>st</sup> Luke Allardice, 2<sup>nd</sup> Charlie Swiers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Will North

Girls from our school: 1<sup>st</sup> Maia Jarmany and Rowan Roger 3<sup>rd</sup> Holly Dent

Well done to everyone who took part, Heselton were just 2 points behind the winners, Welburn.

Sam Wardell



## FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

### Friends Meeting

Following the Parents Assembly on Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, a Friends Meeting will be held at school. Open to all, why not stop for a drink (and a chocolate biscuit or two) and find out about up and coming events. Our meeting will commence around 2.15 and will finish in time for the end of the school day.

Over the last school year Friends have provided:

Christmas presents and party, Panto visit –transport and tickets, bus for cinema trip, Hope Central bus for Christmas and Easter, new stage for school plays, Disco and refreshments and bouncy castle for leavers' party. Quite a list and all much appreciated by the children at school. This gives them funded visits to broaden their experiences.

The money for this has been raised in many and varied ways – bags2school, pampered chef, Christmas cards, pumpkin trail, Christmas raffle, pixy bags, disco, cons jar, Mothers' Day squares, easy fundraiser, squares topic, starlight, Easter colouring, bingo, leavers' party. Thank you to those who have supported these events, please continue to do so and if you have ideas for fundraising, come along and let us know!

### WHATSAPP

To help to keep up to date with ideas and events, why not join the Friends' Whatsapp group?

Download Whatsapp for free from app store.

Register your mobile number by sending a note to the office with your name and mobile number you wish to use. One of the Friends will Add you to join the Friends of School Group.

### Clothing Collection

There will be a collection of second hand clothing on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> October in aid of funds and Starlight.

Suitable items include:

Adults and children's clothing, underwear and socks, coats, paired shoes, handbags, no bric-a-brac.

Please take the opportunity to clear out! More bags are available in school.