

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER November 24th 2017

TEST UPDATE

There will be a meeting for parents and children in years 5 and 6 on **Thursday, November 30th** from 3.30-4pm. This is to provide information about the year 6 national tests and to explain how school and home can help to prepare children for these.

PARENTAL FORUM

Come for an informal chat at the Parental Forum Meeting on **Friday, December 1st from 8.45am**. This is an excellent opportunity to meet with Mrs. Wells and other parents to exchange ideas and learn more about the school, or just to have a cup of coffee and chat for a while! All welcome.

TOPIC LANDING

Our topic celebration will take place on **Thursday, 7th December** from 1pm to 3.15pm for all classes. Tea and coffee will be served in the hall. There will be tombola and Friends of School will draw the raffle. All are welcome to come along and celebrate what the children have achieved this term.

MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA

Scarborough College will be hosting the Scarborough Primary Prom musical event on 22nd January 2018. This is for children in years 4-6 who are currently learning an instrument at any level or are undergoing singing training. The event starts at 9.30am with workshops and concludes with a concert showcasing all activities starting at 4.30pm. This will take place in Lisvane Hall. Parents can drop off children at Scarborough College for the day. This is a great opportunity for musical children to come together to celebrate, enjoy and develop their passion, alongside inspiring professionals. There is no charge for the day and food and snacks will be provided.

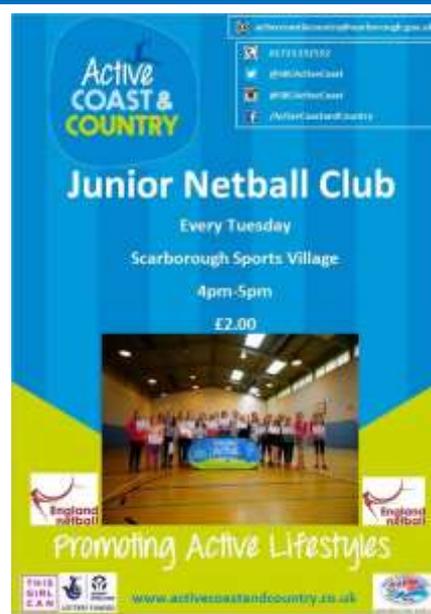
If you would like your child to attend please contact Scarborough College by e-mail on zoe.harrison@scarboroughcollege.co.uk by 30th November and let us know at school.

TAG RUGBY

All children in Farthing Wood will be taking part in tag rugby as their P.E lesson on **Wednesday, November 29th**. This will take place at Norton Community Primary School 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.



FLU IMMUNISATIONS

Flu immunisations for pupils in years Reception to 4 will take place in school on **Thursday, November 30th**. To ensure your child receives this, please register them at:
<https://www.hdft.nhs.uk/services/childhood-flu-programme/>

BADGER WOOD

Another fantastic, busy week in Badger Wood.

We all turned our recount of making wormeries into instructions this week. We talked about the features of instructional writing then had a go! Everyone did a super job and managed to number each instruction so we knew what order to do all the steps in.

We did lots of investigations in maths this week with 3D and 2D shapes. We had a go at organising them for other groups, then when we switched over we had to guess how the previous group had organised the shapes. I could hear lots of busy brains working! Thank you to everyone who came to our Stay and Play on Friday afternoon. It was great to share all our work with you and show you all the things we like to play with!

After stay and play we had a go at cave paintings inspired by the book 'Cave Baby', lots of messy fun!!

Next week, we will be looking at story writing helped along by making bubbles!!

FARTHING WOOD

Another full-on busy week in Farthing Wood. We have spent some time typing up the drafts of our stories, which are based around the book called 'A Monster Calls'.

On Tuesday morning we were visited by 8 teachers, who came to watch our Maths lesson! Although everyone was quite nervous, we soon forgot they were there and 'wowed' them with our deep understanding of multiplication. They were particularly complimentary about how enthusiastic, self-motivated, on-task and helpful everyone was. A big round of applause to everyone in Farthing Wood - keep up the hard work!

ATTACHMENTS

Please find attached:
- Film Club flyer

KEEPER WOOD

Keepers have had a really busy week with a big focus in maths upon money. Our sessions have linked to the skills we need to run the Fairtrade stall: adding prices and calculating change.

Some members of our class have learnt to find 10% and even calculate discounts of 30% off ready for the January sales!

We've all developed so much in our confidence recognising and handling coins. The Fairtrade products have been so popular we've been able to handle new notes too!

We've packed up our wares now so we'll need to keep practising using coins and checking change in real-life situations at home and out and about to keep these skills sharp.

We've one big sum now to find the total amount sold on the Fairtrade stall. We'll add it up and let you know how much we've sold next week.

Thank you to everyone who has shopped with us, we've loved being shopkeepers and customers!

SCHOOL SAVINGS SCHEME

At West Heselton 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.

CHILDREN' UNIVERSITY

Passports are due in on the following dates:

Keeper Wood: Friday, December 1st

Badger Wood: Friday, December 15th

Farthing Wood: Friday, January 19th