WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER December 2nd 2016

SCHOOL

Staffing changes for January 2017

School Governors are able to confirm staffing for January 2017.

Miss Dolan will teach in Keeper Wood every day and until lunchtime on Fridays.

Mrs Vipas will support pre-reception pupils each morning and pupils in Farthing Wood each afternoon.

Governors are delighted to add this additional staffing to our well-resourced school.

School Play

Excitement is mounting for next week's week of drama as we prepare for the school play. Please ensure that all costumes are in school in a named carrier bag by Monday, 5th December.

Gymnastics Club

There will be a gymnastics club after school next term for children in years 1 to 6 -see attached letter.

Relax Kids Club

There will be a Relax Kids club after school next term for children in Reception to year 4 -see attached letter.

Asthma

All schools have to provide an emergency inhaler kit for use in emergency if a child with asthma does not have their own inhaler in school.

Please find attached a form to complete and return to school by Friday, December 9th if this is relevant to your child.

Children's University

Please find attached form for University activities. Dates for return are included, these vary for each class.

HOSPICE CARE

We are raising money for the Hospice. We will be selling fluffy knitted stockings with a candy cane or a Christmas chocolate for 25p each. It starts on Monday break time until we have sold out! From the Y3s

FAIR TRADE FUN

Thank you everybody. We have taken over £300 selling tastetastic jelly beans; glamorous, sparkly Indian pens; spotty baubles for your tree; jingable fun bells; Mexican coloured nodding animals and more. We hope to run another stall during Fair trade Fortnight next term.

Year 4s

CHRISTMAS POST BOX

The school Christmas Post Box is now in the hall. Children are able to post cards to each other in this box, which is emptied and the cards handed out. This saves cards getting lost!

FUN RUN

West Heslerton CE Primary School were once again successful in having the most participants in the small school category. We are awaiting the engraving of the trophy and will let you know when we have a presentation date in the New Year. Congratulations to everyone who took part and many thanks again to those who cheered us on.

FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

We now have a Whatsapp group for friends, if you would like adding to the group please let us know, it's a great way of keeping up to date with what we're doing!!

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM

The Safer Neighbourhood Team will be making an occasional presence outside school gates at key times over the coming months. The reason behind this is to observe routines, engage with the community and doesn't mean there is a problem.

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

HOPE CENTRAL

On Monday 28th November we went to Hope Central in Malton. There have been a lot of new starters so most Keepers and all Farthing Wood went in the morning and the rest of Keepers and all Badgers went in the afternoon. So that means that a lot of people were excited for Hope Central. Hope Central has changed a lot there's a library and "Time Racer 4000". Whilst the others were on adventure we were making Time Travel data bases (fact files). Whilst doing this we had lovely buns and drinks. When the others came back from the "adventure" the people who were crafting went on the "adventure". In the adventure we met Mary and Joseph, Mr Pendulum, a wise man, a shepherd and Baby Jesus. After lunch Badgers and year 3s went to do the same thing. Jake

On Monday 128th November 2016 the school went to Hope Central to see the Christmas Story. We travelled back in time in the time racer 4000. The first people we met were Mary and Joseph and the second person we met was the wise man and we helped him put a map together. The third person was the shepherd and he was counting his sheep and the angel came and spoke to him.

The shepherd went back and said, "Oh I forgot to ask do you want to come?" So we went with him. He took us to a barn and we used the key to open the door and saw the Baby and Mary and Joseph. Holly and Tallulah

NEEDED FOR NEXT TERM

Please may we ask for the following: Empty tins (with lids safely removed) Wires

Old CDs

or any items suitable for making metal robot sculptures!



SWIMMING

We have now completed all the swimming sessions for this year and although 2 sessions were missed the children tried hard and did really well with the assessments last week. This week was a fun session for all the school. Certificates will be presented early next term to all pupils in our parent assembly, details to follow.

Refunds will be processed next week.

Swimming

People at school have been going to super swimming lessons. We have been playing Water Polo, doing races and having jumping competitions. Eveyone said that they have really enjoyed swimming with other people in school. People have also said that school swimmimh lessosns are very good because people who can't swim cery well get a chance at getting better. We all really enjoyed swimming.

Alfie and Izzy

CLARINET CLUB

This club will continue for those pupils who are interested until the end of the school year. It will commence on Thursday, 12th January. Please see attached letter. If your child would like to join this group, please ask at the office.

ATTACHMENTS

Please find attached:

- Asthma consent form
- Children's University form
- Relax Kids letter
- Gymnastics letter
- Friends minutes
- Clarinet Club letter