

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER December 8th 2017

FLU IMMUNISATION

This will now take place on Monday, 11th December for children in years R-4.

TOPIC LANDING

Thank you to all those who attended the Topic Landing this week. It was great to be able to share so much dinosaur, stone age and iron age knowledge. Parents were clearly impressed with the hard work all learners had shown to their studies.

Thank you for the Friends of School for organising refreshments, a tombola and raffle. Thank you to all those who donated prizes and bought tickets,

POPPY APPEAL

Many thanks for your support for the Poppy Appeal. £104.23 was raised for the Royal British Remembrance.

MISS TATTERSLEY

We are delighted to share the news that Miss Tattersley has got engaged. We send our best wishes to her and Chris for a long and happy life together.

CHILDREN' UNIVERSITY

Passports are due in on the following dates:
All children need their CU passports in school on Tuesday, December 19th as the Children's University are visiting to moderate these.

Badger Wood: Friday, December 15th
Farthing Wood: Friday, January 19th

CLARINET CLUB

Could all members of clarinet club please bring their music and clarinets to the nativity. We are looking forward to hearing your progress in church.

PARENTAL FORUM

Last Friday's Parental Forum was attended by 2 parents. We discussed the following points:

- **Speed of driving** to and from school. Reminders are placed in the newsletter regularly. Individuals whom parents have witnessed and reported to school have been written to and reminded about their speed. The PCSO has been contacted and will make checks at the start and end of the school day when available.
- **Parking.** School has requested that parents park considerately for residents, pedestrians and other drivers, especially in these wintry conditions. We ask parents to follow the informal one way system.
- **Turning cars.** Please do not use driveways for turning cars around as this can endanger pedestrians leaving school. Please follow the informal one way system.
- **Dog muck.** Please be mindful of dog muck on the grass to and from school, outside of the boundary. Some parents have had nasty encounters! Please report dog muck to the dog warden at Ryedale District Council.
- **Staffing.** Parents were reassured that continuity was being maintained in keeper Wood until an appointment is made to cover Miss Dolan's maternity leave.
- **Partnerships with other schools.** Parents asked why we were making links with other schools. This is something we have always done. We have recently made this more formal with organised events between the I Thrive Schools. This arrangement will help us to share outstanding teaching ideas, give greater opportunities and experiences to pupils and buy in bulk to get greater savings. This partnership will maintain each school as separate community hubs where we can build our own school identity and strengths.

Thank you to those attending. Our next forum will be in the new year. Everyone is invited, details on the newsletter nearer the time.

PARKING

Following numerous complaints and concerns expressed by parents and residents, may we please ask that you park or turn round with consideration for the residents of West Heslerton, not on, in or blocking access to driveways. Where possible, please park at the bottom of High Street and allow older children to walk up to school.

Please do not park on the "Keep Clear" markings outside school.

Children must not get out of vehicles in the school driveway or walk across this area, there is a safe pathway up to school which all children must use. There is a designated Disabled parking bay in the staff car park which is for use by Blue Badge holders only, please respect this.

If coming to school by cycle or scooter, please do not use the footpath and ensure that you are wearing HiVis clothing and your mode of transport is lit. The darker evenings make visibility difficult.



These measures are for the safety of all children and adults in West Heslerton.

Thank you

KINDLING

Kindling bundles for sale, £2 a net.

Available from the wire container near the main entrance of school. Please put money in an envelope marked "Kindling Friends of School" and pop through the letterbox, thank you.

Friday 5th January 2018

The Heritage and Learning Centre ,Scampston Conservatory, Malton, YO17 8NG

www.scampston.co.uk/conservatory

Why not leave your children in our care for a day full of fun, crafting and nature themed activities? Our qualified teacher, Liz Wattrus and enthusiastic support staff will be here to ensure your youngsters have a wonderful, inspiring experience. The Heritage and Learning Centre, Scampston Conservatory offers a safe environment for fun filled days.

Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm

Cost: £15.00 per child

Age Range: 5-11yrs

Children with special needs are welcome

Please bring a packed lunch. Snacks will be provided

Maximum of 18 places available.

Booking Essential

Carers are welcome to share the day at a cost of £5.00

To book please contact Rachel Maw on 01944 753105 or rachel@scampston.co.uk

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.

ATTACHMENTS

Please find attached:

- Messy Church
- The Maltonian – Y5