

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER February 3rd 2017

SCHOOL

Disco

The school disco is on Friday, February 10th from 3.30-5pm for all pupils at school. Please send your £2.50 on **Monday, February 6th** if you have not already done so, in order that refreshments may be purchased, thank you.

Please send your child with a water bottle, it gets very hot!

Children's University

Reminder - Passports for children in Badger Wood and Keeper Wood are due in now.

Clarinets

Clarinet reeds are for sale in the school office. These cost £1.50.

MOTHER'S DAY

Thank you to those who returned your child's design and any orders to school by Friday 3rd February. Forms returned after this date cannot be accepted.

PRE-SCHOOL LIBRARY

We are having a break from this library, there will be no sessions until **Friday, March 3rd**.

SICKNESS

May we please remind you that children must remain off school for **48 hours** following the last symptoms of sickness/diarrhoea. This is a County Policy and helps to prevent the spread of sickness in schools and the wider community.

TENNIS

We are again running tennis coaching for 5 to 10 year olds over the February half term (20th. to 24th) at Hovingham Tennis Club. Coaching is by Mark Franklin a Lawn Tennis Association Level 4 coach. No experience is necessary and racquets are supplied. If the weather is poor then we will use the village hall. If you would like a booking form please ask at the school office.

LOST

Please could we ask you to look out for a black fitness tracker which went missing after gymnastics club on Wednesday, thank you.

FOOD BANK

May we please remind you that West Heslerton School is an agent for the Food Bank. If you or someone you know would like to apply for vouchers, please ask to speak to Mrs. Wells in confidence.

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.

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

BADGER WOOD

Well what a busy week in Badgers, we've had lots going on!

We enjoyed learning all about flanimals and where they have come from. We even had a vote for which ones were our favourite to help us make our very own pictograms. Everyone made a tally chart and used this data to help them know how many they needed to make their own pictogram. Next week we are looking at the planets and voting for our favourite one again, but this time we will be drawing our own bar charts!

Lots of fantastic writing going on this week. We started the week on stories set in space, lots of fantastic adjectives used to help describe the setting and what happened in their stories. Next week we will continue with these and edit them to make them even better!

We also went all things rhyme this week to help us write a poem for the Sea Life Centres competition! Together we have worked on a poem all about under the sea and octopuses, it sounds amazing....but I may be slightly bias! Keep your fingers crossed for us!

Next week we continue our rhymes as we write more poems and turn into mad scientists as we conduct our very own materials experiment!

FARTHING WOOD

There have been many highlights to this week.....most of which have been food orientated. On Monday we used Oreos to help us create a diagram of the moon phases throughout a lunar cycle, and luckily you can't stick Oreos in you English book, so they had to be eaten! On Thursday, in Maths, we played 'converting measurement' bingo with foodie prizes (measured by weight) up for grabs for the first line and full house. Well done to Matthew, who won a line, and to Noah, who won a full house. One key number to remember for this week is 1000. I wonder who can tell you how many ml in a pint?

1000mm in a metre

1000ml in a litre

1000g in a kilogram

1000m in a kilometre

KEEPER WOOD

We have had fun in our writing this week in Keeper Wood, and have all created a biography for Neil Armstrong. We have used some really interesting subheadings for the different parts of his life - the children were very creative! In maths, the children took a visit to Miss Dolan's robot shop! Each piece of the robot had a different price and they had to work out the total of a completed robot. This led to some very challenging problem solving and some super long column methods! We also investigated temperature and how quickly different amounts of water cools. We found some very surprising results!

Next week, we will be going back to our letter writing and using our persuasive skills in a letter based on our class book 'The Iron Man'.

ATTACHMENTS

Please find attached:

- Change of circumstances letter
- Children's University activities