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

NEWSLETTER February 5th 2016

PANCAKE DAY LUNCH

The special Pancake Day lunch for children is on **Tuesday, February 9**th.

DISCO

The school disco takes place next **Friday, February** 12th. This is for all children who have paid £3. No tickets have been issued but a 'guest list' is being kept ready for this big event!

COASTIVAL FESTIVAL

The coastival event for children takes place during the first weekend of the half term holiday. Most events are free and all events are validated by the Children's University. Places are likely to be booked up rapidly. Please see the attached leaflet for details.



BADGER WOOD PE

Pupils in Badger Wood will all need a full PE kit (track suits and outdoor trainers) for football in PE sessions on the field. Please check your child has all the items they need.

SPAG

The Spelling and Grammar evening for parents and pupils takes place next **Thursday**, **February** 11th from 5.30 – 7pm.

FRIENDS OF SCHOOL

Thank you to all who came along to last Friday's Friends meeting.

Please find attached the minutes of the meeting.

BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION (BHF)

Thank you to everyone who donated to Aleesha's British Heart foundation collection today.

X COUNTRY

Well done to Charlie R, Izzy N, Jake, Charlie S, Aleesha and Maisie who represented Heslerton School at the Area X-Country on Wednesday. All completed the course in good time with big smiles. Their behaviour at all times was a credit to the school. Congratulations to Charlie S who made it through to the area final in Dalby Forest in March. Good luck Charlie!

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's a problem.

BADGER WOOD

What another busy week! We have set our minds to rhyming and syllables in English this week to help us write our limericks. Once we had the pattern and some rhyming words in our heads we were away! Everyone wrote a fantastic limerick that ticked all the writing elements from our toolkit! We looked into repeating patterns, right-angled shapes this week, lots of super patterns were made with lots of different objects, some of which we found rightangles in them too!! Then we were invaded by aliens....3D aliens that is, they came to help us learn the properties of their shape! A very fun day! We enjoyed our afternoon at Malton doing gymnastics. We enjoyed using different apparatus and going round the activities. Everyone was very grown up and showed their gymnastics skills off well. We had flips, rolls, balancing, crawling, twirling and lots more! We enjoyed a good Forest Schools afternoon out on Friday going on a treasure hunt! We have to follow clues to find different elements around us and then find out what they all had in common. When we had all the clues and worked it out, everything we had to find was something to do with forest schools but also our science topic, 'Living things and their habitats'. Super investigating skills Badgers!

Next week, we'll be celebrating Chinese New Year, carrying on limericks and shapes.. hopefully the aliens will come back to help us!

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/heslerton primaryschoolfriends/ 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.

KEEPER WOOD

Everyone is really proud of their final discussion text piece that they have individually written. The whole class have all really taken onboard their individual writing targets, therefore enabling them to produce a good quality discussion text which we originally based around the question 'Should wolves be reintroduced to Britain?'. Well done Keeper Wood.

Topic teams (groups of 3) have got off to a roaring start this week:

Remembering

We began by recording down what our groups already knew about North America.

Understanding

Then we moved on to thinking about what we don't know and formulating 5 questions that we would like to find out about the physical and human features of North America.

Discovering 1

Our research skills then came into their own by finding out the answers to our topic team questions

Individual targets next week will aim to cover: Maths: CLIC, various based on Chinese New Year/Pancake day, RSPB school bird watch data English: various based on Chinese New Year/Pancake day, Writers roundabout

Geography: Topic team work/challenge areas PE: Forest schools, Netball, Swimming gala team PSHCE: Keeping myself safe

Modern Foreign Languages: French

Christian Values Target: Respect and Reverence

ATTACHMENTS

Please find attached:-

- Friends Minutes
- Coastival leaflet
- Pennies Poster