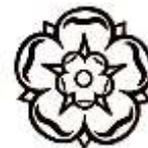


# WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

## NEWSLETTER February 9<sup>th</sup> 2018

### SCHOOL

This half term seems to have whizzed by and the children have worked hard so enjoy the half term holiday. We return to school on **Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>**. Dinner money that week will be £10.50, £60.90 for the half term. School closes for the Easter Holidays on **Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**.

We will no longer be able to accept old £10 notes in school after half term.

### TOPIC LANDING

We would like to invite you to a Music and Mocktails Evening on Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm to celebrate the term's topic "Read all About It". This will be an evening of music and dance. Further details to follow.

### FAIR TRADE

There will be a Fair Trade stall in school from Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> February to Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> March to celebrate Fair Trade fortnight. Children will be able to buy small gifts, including those suitable to Easter.

### NON-UNIFORM DAY

Friends of School have organised a non-uniform day on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> March - bring a tombola prize.

### AFRICAN SCHOOLS

Mrs. Benthall is once again visiting two schools in Zambia – Muke and Liyema, in March. She would very much like to take out a selection of toys suitable for children aged 3-6. These would be soft toys, cars, plastic animals, no more than 6" in length please. If you are able to donate any of these items, please bring them in to school by the **end of February**. Many thanks.

### BEWERLEY PARK

We would like to wish all the children in years 5 and 6 a fabulous week at Bewerley Park along with Mrs. Woodward and Mrs. Benthall. We look forward to their return on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### GYMNASTICS

I just wanted to tell you how well Poppy, Maisie, Thomas and Rowan did on Friday at the gymnastics competition. I wanted to let you know how exemplary their behaviour was and how well they performed in intimidating circumstances. . I don't think the children could believe it when West Heslerton came 2<sup>nd</sup> overall!  
Anna Roger

### CHILDREN' UNIVERSITY

Passports are due in on the following dates:  
Badger Wood: Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Farthing Wood: Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>  
**Keeper Wood: Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**

### DISCO -reminder

Friends of School have organised a school disco on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** from 3.30-5pm for all pupils at school – see attached invitation. Please send your £2.50 on **Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>** if you have not yet done so, thank you.

### SCHOOL CLUBS

Many thanks to the Yorkshire Pentathlon Club for running the Laser Shooting Club this half term. The children really enjoyed this new challenge.

### BAG2SCHOOL

Friends of School are holding a Bag2school collection on Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Old clothing can raise funds for Friends of School. Please have a look through clothing during half term and support this collection, thank you. Please find a bag attached, more available in the school entrance.

If you require this in a different format

### BADGER WOOD

This week we enjoyed learning a little more on the iPads, including how to type up our pirate adventure stories! We enjoyed typing, playing with the font and drawing a picture to go with our stories. We printed 2 copies, one for us and one for a 'big book' where we have put all stories. It will look great in our book corner!

In Art over the past 2 weeks we have learnt how to sketch, then put this into practise drawing our self-portrait. Our self portraits looked fantastic, you could definitely tell who was who. We then photocopied them to make into 'Pirate Wanted Posters'. We tea-stained paper, made our self-portrait into a pirate, gave ourselves a pirate name and put up a reward. The posters look amazing!! We can't wait to share our stories and posters with you at the landing event!

Have a fantastic half term and I shall see you reading to go for more pirate adventures next half term.

### KEEPER WOOD

This week in fractions we have been looking at  $\frac{1}{2}$ 's and  $\frac{1}{4}$ 's and we have been trying to represent these any way we can. This has included cutting out shapes, drawing and using numbers. The children have been very creative with how they have represented this.

In literacy, the focus has been the adventure story and we have been looking at metaphors, similes and rhetorical questions within our sentences.

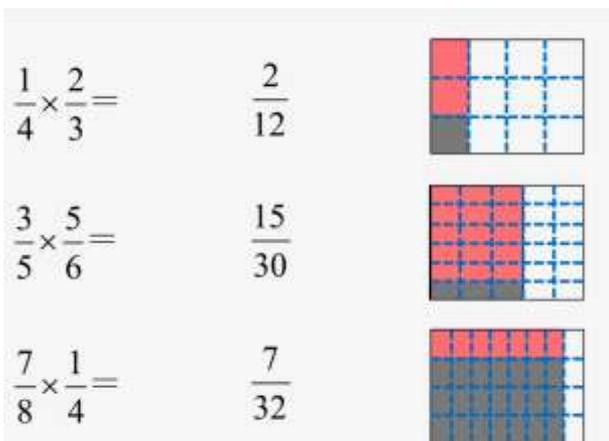
In P.E we have been learning some more dance for the topic landing and it is starting to come together nicely.

It's been a short half term this time around but it has still been a busy one. I hope everyone gets well rested and enjoys the time off!!

### FARTHING WOOD

This week has been taken over by finishing the shots for everyone's individual Captain Cook film trailers - due mainly to mainly having only one tricorn hat! So far we are all really pleased with the results of the past two weeks of work that we have put into them...we have even managed to include some 'hyperbole' sentences.

Maths this week has thrown out the 'curve ball' that the rule that 'if you multiply something it always gets larger' is actually untrue! Which we have proved by multiplying two fractions together.



Please could each pupil in Farthing Wood bring a wire coat hanger each, after half term. This is to help with work on our science topic of sound. Thank you

### MUSIC AND MOCKTAILS EVENING

Anyone that plays an instrument, either in or out of school, who would like a slot on stage to feature as part our the 'Music and Mocktails' Evening...could you please let Mrs Woodward know so that she can add you into the programme.

### PARENT VIEW

Parent View is an online questionnaire for you to give your views about this school at any time of year. Please log on at <http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk> to answer 13 quick questions. Your views are used by staff and govenors at school to help with your child's education.

### ATTACHMENTS

Please find attached:

- Parent evening letter
- East Barnby letter – year 2 and 3
- Friends raffle letter, please pass to employers etc.
- Dates for diaries

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