

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER February 17th 2017

SCHOOL

We have had a busy and varied half term and are looking forward to next half term. West Heslerton School continues to flourish and grow and we are pleased to be able to provide such wonderful facilities here. Please pass the word on to others who may have children due to start school.

Disco

Many thanks to Friends of School who made our Springtime disco such a success. Thank you to Sarah, Nina, Shelley, Rebecca, Natalie and Anna for help on the night.

Children's University

Farthing Wood passports are due in on March 3rd.

After School Clubs

Many thanks to Yvonne Bradley for the Relax Kids club and to Harry Sheader for the Gymnastics Club this half term.

New clubs start after half term - Relax Kids on Tuesday, February 28th and Multi-skills on Wednesday, March 1st.

Robot Trail

Don't forget the Robot trail on Friday, March 3rd starting in the school hall at 1.30pm. Explore our Robotics topic and explore West Heslerton village. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the school hall. All welcome.

Bags2school

Friends of School have organised a Bags2school collection on Thursday, March 23rd. Half term will be a great time for a sort out! Please find enclosed bags for clothing.

Shoe Box Appeal

Graham Hobson from Operation Christmas Appeal contacted school to thank everyone who gave a shoe box at Christmas. 9,090 boxes were distributed altogether, a record!

Fairtrade Stall

There will be a Fair Trade Stall in school from Tuesday, February 28th until Thursday, March 9th selling gifts for Mother's Day and Easter. Prices form 50p to £10.

Dinner Money

Dinner money for next half term is £10.50 per week, £63 for the half term. Please send money on Monday mornings in a named envelope or purse.

Lost Property

There are lots of items in the lost property box in the entrance hall, please check if you have things missing. Please may we ask you to check that all uniform is named, it makes life easier for us all!!

We hope you all have a lovely holiday and look forward to your return on **Monday, February 27th**.

BADGER WOOD

A busy end to the term this week but we rhymed our way through it. We enjoyed writing our poems using the new 'Fantastics' method. We learnt a lot about how we can make our writing even better by using adjectives as well as other elements to really bring out the space themes and rhymes! We had a great scientific day on Wednesday, observing an investigation over time. In the morning we had 4 frozen space toys in need of rescuing. After a discussion we placed the 4 toys in different places to see which melted the quickest to get our space figure back. We found the one on the radiator melted the fastest but the one outside still melted even though it was cold. A fab write up as well Badgers, well done! On Friday we put the finishing touches to our poem for the Sea Life Centre competition, so keep your fingers crossed for us! Have a super week off Badgers, relax and enjoy your time. I shall be looking forward to next half term and discovering more about robots and space!

KEEPER WOOD

We've had another busy week in Keeper Wood! We've all written our letters to persuade the major to let the Iron Man stay. We've used some super rhetorical questions! Our debate definitely helped! We're also very excited to watch The Iron Giant film and compare it with the book today. After a very persuasive debate, we managed to come up with some very good reasons about why watching the film would help us with our work. We've also created some super artwork this week based on our two focus artists and this will be showcased after half term. We will be continuing with the Iron Man and writing our own version to then be used in animation which will be very exciting. Have a super holiday!!

FARTHING WOOD

Farthing Wood have managed to finish their whole class story this week and are very proud of the improvements that they have made to their narrative writing this term. Well done everyone. We have also looked at everyone's amazing homework projects this week. We will be putting these up in the space station role-play area next half term, so please feel free to pop in and have a look. Thank you to everyone at home who has helped with these.

A reminder that next term **each topic team will need to bring a box**, larger than a shoe box, so that they can use it as a stop-motion stage and can make a start on our animations for the film festival.



COLLECTIONS

We are collecting the following in school:

- Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers for playtime equipment.
- Used stamps
- Used batteries

UNICEF BAKE SALE

India and Kiara Heron would like to invite you to come along and support their cake bake stall to help refugee children through Unicef unite for children.

This will be held at Sherburn Methodist Chapel Coffee Morning on Tuesday, 21st February from 10am -11.30am.

Donations for coffee will be given to Sherburn surgery to help with the purchase of a Doppler scanner.

SPRING TIME DRAMA WORKSHOP

A holiday drama workshop for 7-11 year olds on Monday, February 20th from 2-4pm. Come along to relax, have fun, learn new improvisation skills and create a mini performance at Hope Central, Castlegate, Malton YO17 7DZ. Cost £3.50. For more information and to book a place, please contact Alice Mappleback on 07799465991 or email aliceruth31@gmail.com.

FOOTBALL CLUB

Heslerton Junior Football Club are always ready to welcome new players. Why not go along and give it a try, make new friends and have fun!

Please contact Ali Horton on 07779721195 for details.

CAMPS INTERNATIONAL

Former pupil Britany Wheldon will be holding a Jumble Sale on March 4th at East Heslerton Parish Rooms from 1-3pm. There will be bric-a-brac, tombola, raffle, cakes and tea and coffee.

The event is to help support her voluntary work in Borneo this July. Britany will be part of a team from Norton College working on building a school for vulnerable children and assisting in the replanting of rain forest. We would love to see as many faces as possible and if anybody has items they can recycle please ring Angela on 01944 728089.

Thank you.

ENCLOSURES

Please find attached:

- Norton College visit letter and consent –Y5
- Scampston Hall visit letter and consent – Y3/4
- Bags2school bags
- University passport sheets
- Flyers
- Heslerton Football Club –Y1
- Diary dates
- Term dates