

# WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

## NEWSLETTER March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018

### EASTER 2018

We will be celebrating Easter at the end of term with:

An Easter lunch for parents on **Thursday, March 29th** at 12 noon. Please see menu and booking form attached. We need these returned by Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> please.

An Easter walk with Rev'd Joe Kinsella through West Heslerton village, stopping to reflect along the way to the church. We will leave school at 1.15pm and arrive at church for a short service at 2pm.

Children will be able to go home after the service to start the Easter holiday.

### MUSIC AND MOCKTAILS EVENING

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".

Entry to this amazing event will be by ticket only so as to monitor numbers. As all children have visited the RNLI during this term we would like to raise money to help them to continue their life saving along our coast, therefore we ask for a £1 donation per ticket. Please see attached booking form which needs to be returned to school by **Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**.

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

### SCHOOL CLOSURE

Thank you all for your patience during the severe weather last week. Whilst we try to remain open for the continuity of education and to support parents, any decision is based upon the safety and well-being of our children and staff. Legally it is the headteacher's decision as to whether to close or open the school based upon the journeys that staff and children have to make, staffing ratios, the ability to provide food and the safe operation of the school. A record number of schools (317) closed in North Yorkshire last week. Let's hope the winter snow is done and the summer sunshine is well on its way!

### DISCO - RESCHEDULED DATE

The eagerly anticipated disco was postponed due to snow. We have rescheduled this to provide an end of national test celebration. It will take place on **Friday May 18th from 3.30-5pm**. We will retain payments made and transfer all names to this new date. Please let the office now if your child's place needs amending.

### WORLD BOOK DAY

Many pupils were keen to dress up for World Book Day. We will therefore reschedule this for this coming **Thursday, March 8th**. We hope to share photographs of those choosing to dress up as a book character in our end of term newsletter. Please find attached a World Book Day token for your child.

### FRIENDS BINGO EVENT

Friends of School have again organised a Bingo Event at the Railway Club, Norton. This will take place on **Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. All adults and accompanied children are welcome. Please may we ask for donations of cake on the day, either to school in the morning or directly to the Railway Club, thank you.

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

### NON UNIFORM DAY

Friends of the School have organised a non-uniform day on **Friday March 9th**. Your child may choose to attend school in their casual clothes or in a costume. Please supply a raffle or tombola prize on this day. All classes will take part in their usual Forest School session so please dress them warmly.

### CHILDREN' UNIVERSITY

Passports are due in on the following dates:

**Farthing Wood: Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

Keeper Wood: Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>

**Badger Wood: Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**

### SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACES

Parents of pupils in Year 6 should have heard of secondary school places allocated last week. This information comes directly to you. Please let us know where your child will move to in September. We can then start sharing information with your child's new school ready for transition days. If your child did not get your first choice school, please let us know. We do not share information with schools until places have been finalised. We would be happy to discuss your next steps with you.

### CHILD PROTECTION

School has robust procedures in place for child protection. The Child Protection officers are Rachel Wells and Sheryl Woodward. Please see either member of staff should you have any concerns about any child at any time.

### BOOK FAIR

West Heselton School will be holding a Book Fair run by The Book People from **Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**. Books will be available to buy and school will receive additional books for the library based on sales. The Book fair will be open to parents on **Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>** after school and on **Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>** during parents evening. All money will need to be paid by Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>.

### ATTACHMENTS

Please find attached:

- Eater lunch menu and booking form
- World Book day token
- Music and Mocktails ticket order form
- University sheet – Badgers
- Ryedale theatre flyer

### BAGS2SCHOOL

Thank you for all your bags. The sum of £124 was raised for funds.

### FILM NIGHT AND GENERATION TEA

Unfortunately, due to illness, the rescheduled Generation Tea on Wed 7 March and the planned Film Club on Friday 9 March are both cancelled.