

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER March 9th 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 return the booking form by **Friday, March 16th**.

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 if an adult is with them.

MUSIC AND MOCKTAILS EVENING

Don't forget to book your tickets for the Music and Mocktails Evening on **Thursday, March 22nd** at 6pm to celebrate the term's topic "Read all About It". Please send the order form back with your RNLI donation as soon as possible, thank you.

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

NORTON COLLEGE

The children in year 5 have been invited to visit Norton College on Wednesday, March 14th for the day. They will get a chance to experience a day at secondary school.

A minibus, provided by Norton College, will collect students from school at 9.30 and drop them after 2.30 back at school. **The children will need to take a packed lunch.**

If your child requires an inhaler please ensure this is with them. No money will be required. School carries County Insurance for all school trips. In case of emergency, please contact school.

HELP YOUR SCHOOL

Each school has access to additional funds based upon individual pupil circumstances. Please look over the enclosed form and return to school. Schools always benefit from extra funding and your child will too if they are eligible.

It is important that you apply now as all children assessed as eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) by 31st March 2018 will continue to be eligible until at least 2022, while Universal Credit is rolled out across the country. There would also be no need for any further FSM eligibility checks as well. To make sure that you don't miss out please apply now and before the end of this term.

PARENT EVENING

We are looking forward to seeing parents on Tuesday. Please arrive a little early to look over pupil's books and view the Book Fair, if you wish. Book Fair payments need to be received by **Wednesday, March 14th**.

OUT OF SCHOOL EVENTS

We are happy to publicise events out of school for parents. Please provide 50 copies or £2.50 to cover photocopying costs and original (hard copy or email). These will feature with newsletters where space allows.

EAST BARNBY

May we please remind parents of children in years 2 and 3 to return the East Barnby form as soon as possible. If you would like to come and discuss the visit further with a member of staff who has accompanied the visits in previous years, please ask at the office.

NETBALL

The year 6 children will be taking part in a netball event at MCSC on Wednesday, March 14th. We will be leaving school at 12.30pm and returning for the end of the school day. The children will travel in cars with Mrs Maud, Mrs Woodward and another parent please!

CLARINET CLUB

Clarinet club will be cancelled next Thursday due to personal circumstances.

at, please contact the school office.

BADGER WOOD

What a busy week in Badgers! We enjoyed starting to look at direction and compass points using the Beebots. We had lots of fun directing the Beebot around the pirate island using the compass points to help. Next week we will be looking at writing instructions for the Beebot and our friends to follow. We did a great job of remembering our trip to Scarborough to help us write a visit recount. We had lots of fun, visiting the harbour, then learning about how ice-cream is made at the Harbour Bar...and then eating a huge ice-cream there too! After lunch we went to the RNLI to learn about lifeboats. We did a fantastic job of remembering the day and writing our recounts. Well done! We started learning our Pirate song this week too, ready for the Music and Mocktails evening. We can't wait to sing it for you on the night. Next week, we are going to continue with the Beebots in maths. In English, we are going to learn how to write letters, so we can write a thank you letter to the Harbour Bar and the RNLI .

FAIR TRADE

Thank you for your support for the Fairtrade stall. A total of £107.41 was taken of which £10.74 was kept for our Fairtrade activities. There is a Fairtrade and Local Craft Fair on Saturday, 10th March from 10am to 4pm at The Friend's Meeting House, Greengate, Malton. Free entry.

FRIENDS BINGO EVENT

Friends of School have again organised a Bingo Event at the Railway Club, Norton. This will take place on **Tuesday, March 20th** 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.

WORLD BOOK DAY

What an amazing array of costumes we had in school today, well done everyone, staff included! See attached photos.

ATTACHMENTS

Please see attached:

- Free School Meals letter and form
- Messy church flyer

KEEPER WOOD

Back to normality this week as all the snow has all melted. We have been looking at equivalent fractions in Maths and understanding the concept. This has proven to be quite a challenge. In English, we have been carrying on with the adventure story and most of us have nearly finished with our own spin on it. We have also been looking at poems as well as getting creative on an afternoon. The children missed a dance session last week so they have been working really hard to try and make up for lost time. All children need an outdoor P.E. kit in school from Monday, please.

FARTHING WOOD

Wow....a bit of a shock to the system this week with full on lessons for 5 days a week! We have started working on our narrative text, which is based on the Michael Morpurgo novel 'Kensuke's Kingdom'. You can see how far we have progressed and the amazing punctuation and grammar that the class have been using if you look in Farthing Wood playground window...or feel free to pop in if you can't read backwards!

Maths this week has seen lots of the children really getting to grips with the concept of adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators. Although some of us already knew a few tricks for this we were able to prove and justify our answers, including why we need to find a common denominator, using Numicon and pegs. It is always such a joy when you can see individuals really grasp the concept and have that 'click' moment. Brilliant work everyone.

In science we have begun to look at the topic of 'sound', where it was surprising how interested everyone was in the tuning forks on the classroom display. What is the purpose of a tuning fork?

Bewerley Park photos will be on display in the hall on parents evening for anyone who would like to have a look at all the exciting activities that we got up to...both day and night.

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CHILDREN' UNIVERSITY

Passports are due in on the following dates:

Farthing Wood: Friday, March 16th

Keeper Wood: Friday, April 27th

Badger Wood: Friday, May 11th

at, please contact the school office.