

WEST HESLERTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

NEWSLETTER March 15th 2019

HOPE CENTRAL

The children in Farthing Wood will be visiting Hope central, Malton on **Friday, April 5th** to follow the Easter story. They will leave school at 9am and return for lunch. The children will travel with Fletchers coaches and be accompanied by Mrs Wells and Mrs Wardell. We would like to thank Friends of School for funding the bus for this visit. 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.

PUPIL ASSEMBLY

Thomas, William and Kiara delivered a great assembly this week, reminding us of the difference between knowledge and wisdom.

Their prayer will help us all:

Lord Jesus, please help us to be wise in many different ways, and we will make you proud. Please help us to show wisdom around the world, for it would make the world a much better place. In Jesus name. Amen.



CRICKET CLUB CANCELLED SESSION

There will be no cricket club after school on 20th March due to a festival at Lady Lumleys School. It will resume as usual the following week.

TOPIC LANDING

We have been working hard upon our South American studies this half term. We'd love to share some of our learning with you. We have organised a Topic Landing for parents and families on **Thursday 4th April** - 'Fiesta de Dia de los Muertos'. Parents and families are invited to attend our carnival from 1.30pm. We will show our Zumba dances and parade the items made in school from 1.45pm. Friends will provide refreshments and would welcome any baking donations please. A small charge will be made for refreshments to cover costs and raise funds for the Friends of School. There will be a raffle on behalf of Friends of the School. If you are not able to attend, tickets can be purchased on your behalf if you send money in a named envelope labelled 'raffle'. We look forward to welcoming you to our Fiesta!

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Next week it will be dog week with puppy care before the puppies go to their new homes. There will be agility with the older dogs. Places are limited so book as soon as possible.

ABSENCE

May we please remind parents to phone school each day when a child is off ill, thank you.

LASER SHOOTING

We will be hosting a laser shooting day on **Friday 29th March**.

All pupils will have the opportunity to have a go at laser shooting, one of the 5 disciplines in the modern pentathlon. Parents are invited to come along and have some tuition to see what it is all about. Please join us in the hall from 2.15-3.15. School uses the sports grant to fund clubs and PE experiences so there is no charge for this,

Look out for details of a laser shooting club for Years 4 to 6 next term

If you require this in a different form

BADGER WOOD

A great week in Badgers exploring the fraction $1/2$. We used lots of different resources to help us show what a half can look like. We had a go at investigating a half using the bar models to help us. We also learnt our 2, 5 and 10 times tables this week....keep practising and testing each other so we don't forget them!

In English we started to learn about the 3 day 'Dia de los Muertos' celebrations. Then we watched a film about a little girl during the festival. From this we pretended to be the little girl and wrote a diary. We focused on using adjectives and emotions in our writing.

Thank you to everyone who came to our Red Nose Day in the wildlife area, we hope you all had fun and enjoyed our Red Nose Day pizzas and crafts! Next week.... we will be exploring quarters and learning more about the festival in preparation for our topic landing!

FARTHING WOOD

As well as maths, English and topic work going on this week, we were also lucky enough to have a visit from Mr Rumney with his Malton secondary school science bus. He came and 'wowed' us with all his expert knowledge linked to our 'Evolution and Inheritance' topic which we have been covering in science. Our favourite facts were: We are 27% the same as a daffodil and 99.5% the same as a monkey!

Please can we still ask for old newspapers as we will be carrying on with our 'newspaper spelling' work next week.

ROAD SAFETY

We had a visit from PCSO Amber this week. She used our assembly time to remind us all about road safety. Together we used Google Maps to identify safe places to cross in the village. We are encouraging all pupils to walk down High Street on the pavement on the school side of the road and be collected on this side. Those older children walking to Church Street are encouraged to cross Church Street at the bottom of High Street next to the circular plant bed to get to the village hall. We hope parents parking and travelling will be mindful of this route to keep everyone safe.

KEEPER WOOD

This week in Keeper Wood we have been writing some gripping stories about our South American adventures and some imaginary places. We planned our stories out using DADWAVERS and these then helped us to write our stories over the next couple of days.

In Science the children have been looking at the negative outcomes on different environments that people have created and we have been looking at the different characteristics that allow animals to live in specific places.

We have been focusing on fractions in maths and we will be for a couple of weeks as there is a lot to cover. The children have been using their bar model skills whilst working out fraction problems (very talented).

MATHS CLUB

The Ri Masterclasses team would like to invite 2018/19 Primary Mathematics Masterclass students and their parents to come together to celebrate their participation in this exciting programme. The celebration day will include inspirational speakers, hands on activities and a chance to find out more about the Royal Institution and our innovative programmes.

This event is free but places are limited and booking is essential. The event is open to students who have attended Primary Mathematics Masterclasses in the 2018/19 academic year. For details please see

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ri-primary-maths-masterclass-celebration-day-2018-2019-tickets->

FILM CLUB – DATE ERROR

The poster for the COCO film shows the next children's film as being on 15th February, it should read **Friday, 15th March!**

FRIENDS PARENTS MEAL

A meal has been rearranged at the Dawnay Arms on Tuesday 26th March at 1.30pm. This is for parents, grandparents and anyone who wishes to support the Friends of the School. This will be a social occasion (not a meeting!) A menu is attached. A donation will be made to school for each meal ordered. If you wish to attend, please bring your menu choices and payment to school in an envelope marked 'Friends' by Friday 22nd. The Committee look forward to seeing you there.

BAGS2SCHOOL

There will be a Bags2School collection of unwanted clothes, shoes, bags etc. on **Thursday, May 9th 2019**. Please keep any unwanted items for this collection.

HEADLICE

We, like all schools, have head lice transmitted between pupils. These parasites are easily transferred from head to head but tricky to get rid of completely. These seem to have reappeared in school, please check your child's hair and treat if necessary, thank you.

FAIRTRADE

Thank you for your support for fairtrade. The stall raised £125, £12.50 for school funds.

HESLERTON AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Heslerton After School Club is open to all pupils from 3.30pm-5.30pm Monday to Thursday to relax and have fun with their friends. All children will need to bring a named water bottle, forest school kit and wellies. A snack will be provided. To book regular sessions, please complete a half-termly booking form. To book other sessions, please contact the school office or speak to Tom or Lydia at the After School Club. All children have been issued with a free voucher for 1 free session this half term. Voucher places are limited each session, please book early to avoid disappointment. Children need to be registered before they attend their sessions. Additional sessions cost £8.00 per child. At the end of each session, please collect your child from the wildlife area or buzz the front door. We look forward to welcoming you all to our exciting childcare provision.

STAY AND PLAY

We would like to invite you to join us in Badger Wood on **Thursday, March 21st** from 2.00 -3.15pm for "Stay and Play" in Badger Wood. This will be an opportunity for parents, grandparents, younger siblings and carers to join us to see the children in their class and give parents an opportunity to view their child's learning journey book, talk with each other, as well joining their children in their activities. We look forward to seeing you.

ONLINE SAFETY

Practical advice and guidance for parents and carers on how to create a safer online environment at home, particularly in light of the recent surfacing of the Momo Challenge is available in a FREE Parent Guide "It's Momo Today! What will it be Tomorrow?". The video, lasting 9 minutes, shows parents and carers how to tweak settings for WhatsApp, YouTube and Instagram to protect their children from the potentially harmful effects of this kind of malicious activity.

Find it online at

<https://www.spongyelephant.com/staysafe>.

ATTACHED

Please find attached:

- Menu for Friends lunch menu