

News and events from Northwold Primary School



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Week Beginning: 08.02.2021

Day	Event
Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	Parents Q&A Coffee Morning at 10am

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you are all well. Thank you for your continued support during these challenging times.

We recognise that effective communication is key to establishing and maintaining positive partnerships with parents. We welcome feedback from parents and are always available to offer explanations, clarification and support.

To facilitate effective communication we will be having **Q&A Parent Coffee Mornings on a Friday every fortnight at 10:00am**. A text message will be sent with the link prior to the meeting. If you are unable to join the session, please send your questions, concern or queries to the office and outline in the subject box Q&A and someone will contact you to respond to your query.

The best way to avoid misunderstanding is to have ongoing, clear lines of communication. It is important that you are all fully aware of the procedures to follow if you would like clarification, have a query or require support.

Should you have a concerns please contact your child's class teacher via email or the school's main email office@northwold.hackney.sch.uk . The email address for all members of staff can be accessed via the school's website.

If you would like to make a complaint, please follow the procedures as explained in the Northwold Complaints Policy that can be found on the website. Click on this link to find the policy: <https://tinyurl.com/vzi4uipz>

Safe-Guarding concerns can be raised with Mrs Bhagwandas who is the Designated Safe-Guarding Lead for the school. Her email address is sbhagwandas@northwold.hackney.sch.uk.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you next week Friday at the Q&A session. Please stay safe.

Yours sincerely,
Shelly-Ann Goulbourne

Mental Health Week- 1st-7th February

This week is Children's' Mental Health Week. The theme this year is *Express Yourself*. The aim of this is to encourage children to express themselves through a variety of ways. For example, expressing yourself can be about sharing your feelings, thoughts and ideas through creativity. Please find below a link to a website with some good ideas that parents can use at home to promote mental health and wellbeing.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>

School Closure during Half Term Break

The school will be closed to vulnerable and key worker children during the half term break.

Google Classroom Parents' Coffee Afternoon

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Google Classroom Parents' Coffee Afternoon. I hope that you found the session useful. Unfortunately we were not able to record the session as planned. If you would like any support with Google Classroom, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Safeguarding

Please find below a useful link to the NSPCC to support you in keeping your child/ren safe.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/>

Supporting Early Language Development Meeting

Dear Parent/Carer. I hope and trust that you are well. We invite you to attend a Virtual Meeting/Training Session with Speech and Language Therapist on 'Supporting Early Language Development' **at 10:00 on Tuesday 9th February 2021**. The link will follow as a text message on Monday. We look forward to you joining us.

Kind Regards
Serrantha Bhagwandas

Remote Learning Work

We are asking parents to email photos of work completed at home to celebrate your child's accomplishments. The work can be linked to any area of the curriculum- english, art, geography, history or maths. Please email photos to your child's class teacher and we will include them in the newsletter.

Key Worker

School has been directed to remain closed to all children, with the exception of vulnerable and children of key workers. If you are a keyworker and need your child to attend school, you need to give us 48 hours' notice – this will allow us time to prepare and ensure we have capacity. You will also need to provide a letter from your employer or ID badge to confirm your key worker status.

Vocab Lab

Furtive - secretive, shy, sneaky

Example

The look in his eyes became **furtive** the moment they walked.

Can you use the word (furtive) in your own sentence?

Reading Corner- Something to listen to or read this week

Story

Be Kind

<https://youtu.be/kAo4-2UzGPo>



Be Kind | A Children's Story about things that matter

What exactly is kindness? What is it to be kind? Is it being helpful? Being polite? Does it have to be a big act to be more kind? Well maybe the smallest act...
youtu.be

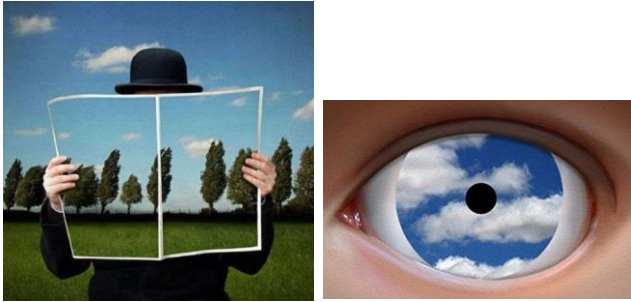
Mr Williams Maths Challenge

<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/582/Division-Mini-Maths-Golf>

Division - Mini Maths Golf - Mathsframe

Artist of the Week

Rene Magritte



The objective is for children to find out more about the artist and create a piece of work similar to that of the artist. What material and techniques did the artist use? What subject matter did the artist depict? What was the artist's signature style?

Nursery Spaces Available- Apply Now!

We still have spaces in Nursery for 2 and 3 year old children. Part time or full time applications are welcomed. Please contact Mrs Bhagwandas for further information.

Free School Meals

Your child may be entitled to free school meals. To find out if you meet the eligibility criteria please use the following link:

<https://education.hackney.gov.uk/content/apply-free-school-meals>

Visual Resources to Support Children with Autism

<https://spectrumpatronum.com/free-resources/>

COVID Updates

How you can help keep everyone at Northwold Safe?

If your child currently attends school as a keyworker or vulnerable child, please contact the school immediately if they become unwell.

- ✓ Keep 2m apart when dropping off and collecting children.
- ✓ Only one adult should enter the site to collect their child or children
- ✓ Use the one way system in place in the school.
- ✓ Wear a mask while you are on site (if you are unable to because of medical reasons, please maintain 2m distancing when communicating with staff).
- ✓ Contact the school immediately if someone in your household becomes unwell with COVID symptoms.



COVID-19 test sites in Hackney and how to access them

Testing capacity in the borough has been extended and there are now 5 testing sites:

Testing Site	Address	Opening times and dates
Bentley Road - Walk in	Bentley Road car park, Dalston, N1 4DB	8am - 8pm seven days a week
Hackney Central - Walk in	340 Mare St, E8 1HA	8am - 8pm seven days a week
Sandford Court - walk in	Bethune Rd, N16 5BB	8am - 8pm seven days a week
Stamford Hill - Walk & drive through	Yesodey Hatorah School, Egerton Road, N16 6UB	10.30am-3.30pm on the following days: November: 22, 29 December: 6, 13, 20, 27 Dec
Hackney Marshes - Walk & drive through	Hackney Marshes Leisure Centre, Homerton Rd, London E9 5PF	10.30am-3.30pm on the following days: November: 20, 23, 26, 30 Nov December: 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28, 31 Dec