

News and events from Northwold Primary School



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NORTHWORLD SCHOOL RECEIVES CERTIFICATE OF DISTINCTION FROM STRATFORD VIRTUAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

During the month of December 2020, Northwold Primary School received an invitation to participate in the annual Stratford Music Festival. The Year 6 Ukulele Ensemble through diligent rehearsal and performance submitted a musical presentation that won the school an Award of Distinction in the Festival.

Well done to the talented students of the Year 6 Ukulele Ensemble who practised, played and sang in the competition. We look forward to taking part again this year. Thank you to Mr Daley for all his hard work.

Week Beginning: 29.03.2021

Day	Event
Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Autism Awareness Day
Thursday	Last day of term- children will be dismissed at 2pm
Friday	Bank Holiday

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Relationship and Sex Education (RSE) meetings this week. I hope you found the sessions useful. If you were unable to attend and you would like to know about the curriculum and the resources that will be used for your child's year group, please contact the office on the below email address office@northwold.hackney.sch.uk and we will make the necessary arrangements to accommodate your request. We will be sharing the topics that will be covered weekly and some suggested resources that you can use to start having discussions at home with your child. The RSE lessons will begin when the children return from the Easter break.

We would like to remind parents that the office is open from **8:00 to 4:30pm daily**. There is no one available outside of these times to answer the phones.

Thank you for your continued support and have a relaxing weekend.

Yours truly,
S. Goulbourne



Lateral Flow Home Testing Kit for Families.

If you're a parent or adult in a household with children at school or college, or an adult in a childcare bubble, and don't have symptoms, you should be testing twice a week.

The tests are fast, easy and completely free. There are two different ways for a household, childcare or support bubble to collect their test to take at home, twice weekly:

Collection

You can collect a home test kit from a local testing station site in Hackney after 1.30pm (these sites are open in the morning for symptomatic testing until 12 noon)

Local testing sites:

- [Dalston, Bentley Road Car Park, N1 4BZ](#)
- [Hackney Central, Mare Street, E9 6ND](#)
- [Stamford Hill, Former Bus Garage, Rookwood Rd, London N16 6SD](#)

Ordering online

You can [order a home test kit](#) online.

Diary Dates

31 st March	Autism Awareness Day
1 st April	Last day of term- children will be dismissed at 2pm
19 th April	INSET day- no children in school
20 th April	Children return to school -gates open at 8:35am

Reminders to parents

- Pupils who are sick and unwell should not come to school.
- Notify the school if your child is self-isolating or if they test positive for COVID-19.
- Lateral flow testing is available for all families. Please click on the link to get more information. (<https://hackney.gov.uk/coronavirus-support/#test>)
- Absence due to vaccination appointments will not affect your child's attendance and will be an authorised absence.

Vocab Lab

Munificence - the quality or action of being extremely generous.

Example

- 1.) Her **munificence** is very admirable.
 - 2.) We are very thankful for his **munificence**.
- Can you use **munificence** in your own sentence?

Reading Corner- Something to listen to or read this week.**Story (This story can be read over two weeks)**

Our author of the week is Venessa Taylor!

Are you football crazy and reading mad? This week you can read *Baller Boys* by our author of the week Venessa Taylor completely FREE! You can also watch a video about why Venessa was inspired to write *Baller Boys*, discover her top three children's books and read a Q&A about reading. (**Oak - National Academy**)

[home \[www.thenational.academy\]](http://www.thenational.academy)

Venessa Taylor's recommended read is *Dear Zoo* by Rod Campbell. The perfect lift-the-flap and giggle book for little fingers. While trying to find the 'perfect' pet, children are introduced to zoo animals and learn why they don't make suitable pets, before eventually finding the perfect pet.

www.thenational.academy

<https://www.thenational.academy/library/were-on-the-ball-with-venessa-taylor>

Mr Williams Maths Challenge

Help the birds defend their eggs from the evil robots by answering the maths questions correctly.



<https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/573>

Artist of the Week**Pablo Picasso**

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.

Spelling Bee Competition

This week we had our Inter School Spelling Bee competition between Woodford Green, Selwyn, and Davies Lane. We would like to congratulate all the children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 who took part in the competition, they did very well.

Tools and resources for children and young people's mental health and wellbeing

It has been a challenging time for many families over the past year. Please find below a list of useful resources that may help you or members of your family during this difficult time.

- **Shout 85258** – a free, confidential, anonymous 24/7 text support service. Anyone can text SHOUT to 85258, anytime.
- **Anna Freud Centre**- Call on (0)20 7794 2313 or visit <https://www.annafreud.org/schools-and-colleges/resources/advice-for-parents-and-carers-talking-mental-health-with-young-people-at-primary-school/>
- **Young Minds** – provide advice and mental health support, as well as online workshops, blogs and resources. Young people who need urgent help should text YM to 85258 – a 24/7 messenger service. Parents Helpline: 0808 802 5544
- **Papyrus** – supporting young people who struggle with thoughts of suicide, or if they are worried about someone else. There is a helpline to call: 0800 068 4141.
- **ChildLine** – a free counselling service for children and young people. Children can call, chat online or email ChildLine about anything they are worried about.
- **Child Bereavement UK** – Their website includes support for children and families to rebuild their lives after bereavement.

Northwold Primary Term Dates for 2021-2022

Autumn term	INSET day - Wednesday 1 st September INSET day - Thursday 2 nd September Children return – Friday 3 rd September INSET day – Friday 22 nd October Half Term – Monday 25 th October – Friday 29 th October Last day of term – Friday 17 th December School holidays - Monday 20 th December - Monday 3 rd January
Spring Term	INSET day – Tuesday 4 th January Children return - Wednesday 5 th January Half term – Monday 14 th February – Friday 18 th February Last day of term – Friday 1 st April School holidays – Monday 4 th April – Monday 18 th April
Summer Term	INSET day - Tuesday 19 th April Children return – Wednesday 20 th April Half term – Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June Last day of term – Friday 22 nd July School holidays - Monday 25 th July – Wednesday 31 st August

COVID Updates**How you can help keep everyone at Northwold Safe?**

- ✓ **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.**

Book a rapid Covid-19 test**Appointments must be booked in advance.**

1 in 3 people with Covid-19 can spread the virus without having symptoms. To protect the NHS and keep you, your family and community safe test regularly with rapid tests, a minimum of once a week and ideally once every 3 days.

If there are no appointments listed, all slots are fully booked. Check back the next day for new availability.

Tests are available at the following locations:

- *18 Edward's Lane, Stoke Newington, N16 0JJ*
- *Geffrye Estate Community Hall, Falkirk Street, N1 6SD*
- *Mare Street, Maurice Bishop House, 17 Reading Lane, London E8 1DS*

Get in touch

Tel: 020 8806 6352 | Fax: 020 8806 6315 | email: office@northwold.hackney.sch.uk

- *Geffrye Estate Community Hall, Falkirk Street, N1 6SD*
- *Mare Street, Maurice Bishop House, 17 Reading Lane, London E8 1DS*
- *Homerton Library, Homerton High St, Homerton, London E9 6AS*

Testing Centres in Hackney

In Hackney there are a number of testing sites:

- *Dalston, Bentley Road Car Park, N1 4BZ (open 7 days a week 8am-8pm)*
- *Hackney Central, Mare Street, E9 6ND (open 7 days a week 8am-8pm)*
- *Homerton, Hackney Marshes Centre, E9 5PF (open 5 days a week Mon-Fri 9am-3.30pm)*
- *Stamford Hill, Rookwood Road test centre (former bus garage), London N16 6SD (open 7 days a week 8am-8pm)*
- *Stamford Hill, Yesodey Hatorah School, Egerton Road, N16 6UB*

There are also 2 testing centres nearby that residents can use:

- *Stamford Hill Primary Nursery Berkeley Rd, Haringey N15 6HD (7 days 8am-8pm)*
- *GuildHall Yard, City of London, EC2V 5AA (7 days 8am-8pm)*

Local government-run test centres are not able to accept walk-up tests without an appointment.

