

News and events from Northwold Primary School



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Week Beginning: 11.10.21

Day	Event
Monday	Harvest collection begins Book Fair continues
Tuesday	Year 6 CATs Banding Tests begins
Wednesday	Book Fair ends
Thursday	
Friday	Year 6 CATs Banding Tests ends

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours truly,
S. Goulbourne

Reminder

School Office Opening Hours

The school office opening hours are from **8:00am to 4:30pm daily**. There is no one available in the office to take phone calls outside of these times.

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 or office@northwold.hackney.sch.uk for further information.

PTA- Friends of Northwold

At Northwold we believe that central to our success is the development of strong relationships with parents and our local community. We would like to launch a Friends of Northwold group (PTA). The group will consist of dedicated parents who will organise fun activities and fundraisers.

We are still looking for parents to join this group. Please email the office if you are interested in being a part of the PTA.

Dear Parents/ Carers,

It has been another great week of learning at Northwold. Thank you to all the Parent Council representatives who attended our first Parent Council meeting for the academic year yesterday. The parents completed a learning walk to see our curriculum in action.

After School Clubs

We are currently in the process of organising after school club activities for the children. We are aiming to start these clubs after the half term break. A letter will be sent out in the coming weeks with more information.

Secondary Transfer Application

It is fast approaching the time when Year 6 parents need to apply for their secondary school places. To assist you in this, please follow the steps in the Secondary Transfer book- please click here <https://education.hackney.gov.uk/sites/default/files/document/secondary-admission-leaflet.pdf> or contact the school office to speak with Mrs Shaida Karwa. The closing date for secondary school applications is **Friday 22nd October**.

Key Dates

20thSept-23rd Oct.	Readathon (<i>Children are set targets to read as many books as they can</i>). A letter was sent to parents with more information.
6th -13th Oct.	Book Fair (parents and children are invited)
18th Oct.	Diwali Assembly
21st Oct.	Wear It Pink- fundraising for breast cancer. Please bring £1 for a worthy cause
21st Oct.	Maths Coffee Morning for parents @9:00am
21st Oct.	Readathon Challenge hand in
21st Oct.	Parents Evening (3:45-7:00) (This will be online)
22nd Oct.	INSET Day-school closed for children
25th-29th Oct.	Half Term
1st Nov.	Children return to school
11th Nov.	Remembrance Day Assembly - Year 6
15th Nov.	Anti-Bullying Week begins

Northwold Primary Term Dates for 2021-2022

Autumn term	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

Attendance**Information on school attendance expectation**

School attendance is mandatory and the usual rules continue to apply, including:

- a parent's duty to ensure that their child attends regularly at school, where the child is a registered pupil at school
- schools' responsibilities to record attendance and follow up absence
- the ability for schools and local authorities to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices in line with local authorities' codes of conduct.
- If your child is unwell you must contact the school stating the reason for your child's absence.

Harvest Collection

Please donate generously to our harvest collection. We are looking for dry or tinned foods. Our collection will be donated to our local soup kitchen or homeless shelter at the end of the month.

Caught Being Kind

Please find below the names of the children in each year group who are recognised for their kindness this week.

Class	Name
Nursery Olive	Grace Cesar
Reception Cedar	Inaaya-Rae
Reception Hawthorn	Ummekulthum
Yr.1 Hazel	Vincent
Yr1. Beech	Chloe
Yr 2 Juniper	Jeremih
Yr 2 Maple	Adam
Yr.3 Sycamore	Huda
Yr.3 Birch	Victoria
Yr.4 Willow	Amelia
Yr. 4 Oak	Fatimaa
Yr.5 Chestnut	Khalil
Yr. 5 Holly	Oluwasijibomi
Yr. 5 Palm	Rayyan
Yr. 6 Hornbeam	Nabil
Yr. 6 Rowan	Omar
Yr.6 Pine	Alex

School Dinner Menu

Please find below the menu for this week.

What is on the menu this week? Week 1

Monday	Egg Curry & Rice	Baked Gnocchi	fresh fruit yoghurt bread salad of the day
	Kachumbari Salad		
Tuesday	Peri Peri Chicken	Vegetable Pasties	
	Sweet Potato Mash and Baked Beans		
Wednesday	Lamb Meatballs with Spaghetti	Vegetarian Chilli with Jacket Potato	
	Focaccia Bread		
Thursday	Chicken Fajitas in Soft Wraps	Cauliflower & Broccoli Cheese	
	Greek Yogurt, Guacamole and Salsa		
Friday	Battered Fish	Falafel in Pitta Pockets	
	Chips, Peas, Sweetcorn and Coleslaw		

The school senior leaders spoke about the changes they have made to how they are delivering the curriculum, to enable teachers to spend more time teaching and less time planning and marking. Also about the technique of repetition and recapping on previous lessons, in order to cement their learning and give the children confidence in the classroom - I feel lucky to have been able to see this initiative in action, and witness how much the pupils were enjoying this part of the lesson.

The Parent Council meets once every half term, for about 1 and a half to 2 hours.

This is only our 2nd year and we have already seen the school make a lot of changes in response to the feedback given by parents and guardians through the Parent Council.

If you have concerns, questions or feedback about the learning delivered by the school, please do contact the school directly in the first instance and also let your class representative know. We only meet intermittently; the school will be able to answer your concerns more quickly and fully.

We currently have vacancies in the below classes - we would love if these could be filled, so that every class is represented. Everyone who has joined has got a lot out of the experience... will that be you???

Vacancies:

Reception - Cedar and Hawthorn

Year 1 - Beech

Year 6 - Hornbeam

Allan Young

Chair of Parent Council and representative for Holly (Y5)

Parent Council Update

Parent Council (an update from the Chair)

We met yesterday with the head teacher, Mrs Goulbourne and Arbor Trust's CEO, Maureen Okoye, to look at and discuss the school's curriculum and teaching.

The school's Learning Council came to give us a briefing on what they will be doing in the coming term, which is to visit all the classes and survey the teaching and find out what children think works well, what can be improved, and find out what they enjoy learning. They also told us that they will be visiting other schools as part of their evaluation. The Parent Council is excited to hear their findings.