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Golden Achievement Pupils

Congratulations to the following pupils for being the golden pupil of the week:

Class	Pupil
N Mexico	Zainab Mahamroot
N Pakistan	
R Somalia	Mehmet Ozsayan
R Ireland	Judith Yeboah
1 Bangladesh	
1 Ghana	Safiyyah Alibhai
2 Barbados	Mirabel Yeboah
2 Poland	
3 Spain	Ny-Eque Lewis-Hastings
3 Nigeria	Zina Panda
4 Brazil	Rianna Blissett
4 Jamaica	Zakiya Mahamroot
5 Turkey	Esa Alibhai
5 Russia	Jaden Johnson
6 China	Shyann Hall
6 India	Tahira Mehmet

Northwold Academy Conversion

Governors have started a consultation process to help them to make a decision to become an academy or not. Staff took part in a ballot before the half term break. 61% voted in favour of conversion. A parent consultation meeting took place on Wednesday 23rd October. 45 parents attended. A second parents meeting has been scheduled: to take place on Wednesday, 13th November at 9.00am. A drop-in session for parents is also scheduled from 10.30am on Wednesday, 13th November for parents who prefer to have a 1:1 discussion with a governor.

Governors would like written feedback from parents on whether they are in favour of Northwold becoming an academy or not. Please submit your written feedback to the school office by **Friday**, **22**nd **November**. It is very important that you give reasons for your decision. Governors will be meeting on 27th November to consider the feedback from parents and will making their final decision on 4th December.

What to do it you are unhappy with one of our pupils

If any parent has concerns about another child in school please speak to a member of staff. If you approach the child directly and make the child feel frightened, we will inform the police.

We are very keen to work with all our families. We will tell you about things as they happen but we also need parents to tell us if they are happy, unhappy, have a problem or require further information. There are many ways you can contact us:

- Talk to your child's class teacher at the end of the school day; please remember that on Wednesdays we hold staff meetings so your child's class teacher may not be available.
 Please let the class teacher know if you would prefer a talk in private.
- Make an appointment to see the teacher at a mutually convenient time.
- Speak to a member of the Leadership Team in the playground at the beginning and end of most school days.
- Email office@northwold.hackney.sch.uk.

Near Accident

This week we had a near accident outside our school gates. A parent stopped briefly on the zigzag lines in Geldeston Rd and nearly hit two children who were crossing the road to come into school. We fully understand that it was a complete accident and the children did dash out into the road. It really does highlight why parents must not park or drop off on the zigzags. Even stopping for a minute means you are taking a risk — it's where the children think it is safe to cross.

Apology

On Tuesday, 5th November, a text message was sent to parents informing you of a change in time for the Diwali Lantern Procession. The text was not received by all parents. Please accept our sincere apology for the disappointment and inconvenience caused. The assembly was filmed and will be uploaded to the school YouTube channel.

Celebrating Diwali

Diwali is perhaps the most well-known of the Hindu festivals. The word Diwali means 'rows of lighted lamps'. Diwali is known as the 'festival of lights' because houses, shops and public places are decorated with small earthenware oil lamps called diyas. Our school community celebrated Diwali on Tuesday, 5th November. Beautiful lanterns were made and we had a special assembly and a lantern procession. The assembly was performed by Year 6 China, who reenacted the story of Rama and Sita, the story of Diwali. In the afternoon the children walked around the school with their beautiful lanterns.

Many thanks to Nicolette Dixon and her team for the special assembly, Surinder Kaur for the costumes, Katy Sams, Graham Howie and Jo Beldham for the arranging the making of the lanterns and arranging the afternoon procession.











Year 5 Residential Trip

On Wednesday, 34 very excited Year 5 pupils went to The Kench Hill Centre in Tenterden in Kent for a 2 night residential trip. They were accompanied by Carolyn Conway, Graham Howie and Katy Sams. We know they've had a wonderful trip and we're looking forward to welcoming them home this afternoon. Look out for detailed report in next week's newsletter!



Yr 4 – Henry V @ Unicorn Theatre

On Tuesday 5th November, Year 4 went on a trip to The Unicorn Theatre to watch Henry V, a play. Staff and pupils were very impressed by the wonderful performance as well as with the question and answer session at the end.

'It was about a terrible war. I liked how they included the audience in the play.' – Demar.

'I liked the fight scene at the end, when they burst all the balloons.' - Maryam.

'It entertained us and was very enjoyable.' - Richard

'The explosion of France was amazing.' - Jevon

'They made it modern and I learnt a lot.' – Zakiyah

Next Week's Menu

Monday	lentil cottage pie	courgette, potato
		and cheese pie
	baked	beans
Tuesday	quiche	cheesy potato bake
Wednesday	Jamaican black bean	dhal
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Thursday	veggie burger &	spicy lamb burger &
	trimmings in a bun	trimmings in a bun
Friday	Caribbean fish	spinach and feta pie
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Baked potatoes, seasonal salads, fruit and yoghurts are also available.

Class Assembly Rota-Autumn 2013

A slot is assigned to each class. Phase 1 class assembly will be on Fridays and Phase 2 on Thursday at 10:45. Please come and support your child.

Date Week Beginning	Phase 1	Phase 2
11.11.13	Somalia	India
18.11.13	Ireland	Jamaica
25.11.13	Pakistan	Turkey
2.12.13	Mexico	Russia

Northwold Primary School

2013-2014 School Calendar

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School Closed/ Holidays

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Teacher in-Service Day (no school for students)

Half Day

First and Last Day of School

Public Holiday