

News and events from Northwold Primary School



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Upcoming School INSET days

The school will be closing at midday on 14th and 28th November for staff training (INSET). There will be no dinner and no playcentre on those days. Please ensure you collect your child promptly at 12.00pm. Thank you.

Golden Achievement Pupils

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

Class	Pupils
N Mexico	Sukhmani Kaur
N Pakistan	Yusuf Altun
R Somalia	Fortune dias de Oliveira
R Ireland	Nayd Joseph
1 Bangladesh	Karmelle Guthrie
1 Ghana	Kya Greenway-Amos
2 Barbados	Ali Budak
2 Poland	Darius Decardi-Nelson
3 Spain	Hiba Siddiqui
3 Nigeria	Zahrah Dawud
4 Brazil	Sakariya Jamal
4 Jamaica	Ruby Collingwood
5 Turkey	Mohammed Alibhai
5 Russia	Maryam Patel
6 China	Yoel Berhane
6 India	Mmesoma Okuro

Special Visitors

This week we have had two special visitors to Northwold.

One was Dennis Horner. Some of our Year 6 children and members of the student council had the opportunity to meet Dennis, who is a former Northwold pupil. We were able to ask him questions about his life at Northwold and during World War II. Dennis told us about lots of changes he has witnessed in London during his 93 years! The children were impressed with his memory, humour and kindness. Afterwards, in an email to Ms Kriel, Dennis stated: "I enjoyed meeting you and everyone else tremendously. We must keep in touch."



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Our other special visitor was Ophelia Carter, Head of Schools' Finance for Hackney. Born and educated in Hackney, she worked incredibly hard to get her accountancy qualifications. Now she is in charge of Schools Finance for the whole of Hackney. In a school assembly she told us her success story, in particular how she dealt with setbacks. She has definitely shown a huge amount of resilience, one of our IPC Personal Goals, to get where she is today.



worked in teams to plan an awards ceremony for the employees at the Young Foundation. At the end of the day they presented their ideas using posters that each team made to a panel of judges, as if they were in their own Dragons' Den! All of the students did amazingly well, but there was space for one winning team only, and that was 'The Golden Party Planners' with Kenzy, Charlie, Rianna, Thanx and Demar! We're sure they enjoyed the prize (a bag of chocolates) as much as everyone enjoyed the workshop. Well done Turkey class!



Enabling Enterprise Week

This week was Enabling Enterprise Week. Classes have been working on all sorts of enterprising activities – from opening an art gallery (Reception) to designing chocolate bars (Years 3&4) to writing a newspaper (Year 6). The whole school has been focussed on 'Staying Positive'. Sarah, from Enabling Enterprise, gave an assembly about 'Staying Positive'.



As part of Enabling Enterprise Week a group of Year 5 Turkey class students went to The Young Foundation at Bethnal Green to learn about Problem Solving. They

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease

There's a case of hand, foot and mouth disease in school. It is infectious but the illness is usually quite mild. If your child catches it, they can still attend school, unless they are feeling particularly unwell. Please click on this link to find more information about the disease - <http://tinyurl.com/pef4j58>

Saturday School

The next Saturday School will be on the 8th November. We start at 9.15am.

Year 1 Cake Sale

Bangladesh and Ghana would like to say a big thank you to the all the parents, children and staff who bought cakes at our cake sale last Friday. A special thank you to the Year 1 parents for their support. We raised £101.00 for the Make a Wish foundation, which is a charity which grants wishes to very sick children.



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We Scare Hunger



IT TAKES A REAL HERO TO STAND UP TO HUNGER.

Millions around the world go hungry every day, even in the UK. This autumn, help stop hunger before it strikes. Hold a food collection in your school or community. If you like, you could make it part of your Harvest Festival celebrations, or trick-or-treat for tinned food instead of sweets at Halloween. Then, drop the food off at your local foodbank to stop hunger in its tracks.

freethechildren.com/wescarehunger



On behalf of the Trussell Trust we'd like to say a big big thank you to all of you who were able to donate something to We Scare Hunger food drive.

We will then be dropping off the food at our nearest Trussell Trust foodbank which is the Hackney Food Bank, St. Mary's Community Centre, Defoe Road, Stoke Newington <http://hackney.foodbank.org.uk/>

Homework Books

Homework books are now available for sale from the Office. They cost £6.00 for the set of three, English, Maths and Science. As ever we are offering these resources to you at a big discount.

School Uniform – STOCK CLEARANCE

We are selling the current stock of uniform at a reduced price. JUMPERS £6.75, SWEATSHIRTS £4.00 & CARDIGANS £6.75.

Unicorn Workshops

Performers from the Unicorn Theatre have been in school this week doing drama workshops with Year 5 and 6. They learnt and performed parts of the story of The Spear of Shango, which tells the story of How Nigeria Became.



Local Half-term Activities

Family Learning Festival

<p>Jewellery Making Monday 27th October 9:30am-11:15am Fernbank Children's Centre</p>	<p>Mosaic Monday 27th October 1pm-3pm Stamford Hill Community Centre</p>
<p>Hair Braiding Thursday 30th October 10am-12pm Ihsan Children's Centre</p>	<p>Healthy Food Art Tuesday 28th October 10am-12pm Ihsan Children's Centre</p>
<p>Belly Dancing Friday 31st October 1pm-3pm Fernbank Children's Centre</p>	<p>Sewing Friday 31st October 1pm-3pm Stamford Hill Community Centre</p>
<p>Massage Thursday 30th October 1:30pm-3:30pm Stamford Hill Community</p>	<p>To book a place call Gaby on 020 8806 4130 x22 For information about other sessions go to www.learningtrust.co.uk/adultlearning</p>

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Wednesday Coffee Mornings

You are warmly invited to come to our next parent coffee morning on **Wednesday 5th November at 9am**. The focus is on how we teach the humanities subjects at Northwold Primary School and will be led by Katy Sams (Humanities coordinator). There will be games, prizes and refreshments! We look forward to seeing you there.



Class Coffee Mornings

Following the great success of our Wednesday Coffee Mornings, we are now launching Class Coffee Mornings. Starting with Jamaica Class on the first Friday after the coming half-term – 7th November – you can meet your child's class teacher and find out about what's going on in their class. Class Coffee Mornings will be every Monday and Friday from 9.00-10.00am from November through to the end of the whole school year. It's also a great chance to get to know other parents in the class. See below for the class' full schedule.

Autumn 2014

Week beginning	Class	
	Monday	Friday
3.11.14		Jamaica
10.11.14	Spain	Nigeria
17.11.14	Poland	Barbados
24.11.14	Bangladesh	Ghana
1.12.14	Brazil	Turkey
8.12.14	Russia	China

Spring 2015

Week beginning	Class	
	Monday	Friday
12.1.15	India	Ireland
19.1.15	Somalia	Pakistan
26.1.15	Mexico	Jamaica
2.2.15	Nigeria	Spain

9.2.15	Barbados	Ghana
HALF TERM		
23.2.15		Poland
2.3.15	Brazil	Turkey
9.3.15	Bangladesh	China
16.3.15	Russia	India
23.3.15	Mexico	Pakistan

Summer 2015

Week beginning	Class	
	Monday	Friday
13.4.15		Ireland
20.4.15	Somalia	Russia
27.4.15	Turkey	India
4.5.15	China	Jamaica
11.5.15	Brazil	Nigeria
18.5.15	Spain	Poland
HALF TERM		
1.6.15		Barbados
8.6.15	Bangladesh	Ghana
15.6.15	Ireland	Somalia
22.6.15	Mexico	Pakistan

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How to Identify Speech, Language and Communication Needs

What does 'Speech, Language and Communication Needs' mean?

Over a million children and young people in the UK have speech, language and communication needs. An average of 2 children in every classroom have communication needs. These children may have very different needs.

Children with Speech, Language and Communication needs can have difficulties in any of the following areas:

- * Maintaining attention
- * Understanding long explanations or instructions
- * Talking in full sentences using appropriate vocabulary
- * Telling stories or recalling events, e.g. what they did at school that day.
- * Talking fluently
- * Communicating appropriately with others, e.g. interrupting, talking too loudly, making too much or too little eye contact.

Things to look out for:

Below are some signs to look out for which may indicate that your child has speech, language and communication needs:

Does your child...

...Have trouble with attending and listening?

* Does your child struggle to pay attention or focus in class or at home?

* Does your child find it difficult to sit still?

* Does your child struggle to concentrate for long periods of time?

* Can your child concentrate on adult led tasks?

...Find it difficult to understand language?

* Does your child have trouble following instructions?

* Does your child need instructions repeated several times?

* Does your child need a lot of time to respond to a question?

...Have trouble expressing themselves?

* Does your child use appropriate words and grammar?

* Can your child tell a story or recall an event?

* Does your child struggle to be understood?

* Does your child mix words up?

...Find it difficult to use speech sounds?

* Does your child use sounds incorrectly? For example: 'gog' for 'dog'?

* Does your child find it difficult to make certain sounds?

...Find social communication difficult?

* Does your child interact appropriately with adults and children?

* Can your child make and keep friends?

* Does your child become angry and frustrated?

If you have concerns about your child's speech, language or communication skills, contact Mrs Bhagwandas

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Menu – 1st week after half-term

Monday	tuna and pasta twists	potato gratin
Tuesday	cheese and lentil flan	broccoli and cherry tomato cheese
Wednesday	spicy black bean burger in a bun	spicy bean stew and rice
Thursday	vegetable lasagna	seasonal vegetable soup & a roll
Friday	quiche	chick pea enchilada
	baby potatoes peas	

Baked potatoes and seasonal salads are also available.

Every day, for dessert, there is fruit and yoghurt.

Term Dates for 2014-15

Autumn Term 2014

First Day	Half Term	Finish	Number of Days
Thursday 4 th September 2014*	Monday 27 th October to Friday 31 st October 2014	Friday 19 th December 2014	73 days (38 first half-term, 35 second half-term)

Spring Term 2015

First Day	Half Term	Finish	Number of Days
Monday 5 th January 2015	Monday 16 th February to Friday 20 th February 2015	Friday 27 th March 2015	55 (30 first half term, 25 second half term)

Summer Term 2015

First Day	Half Term	Finish	Number of Days
Monday 13 th April 2015	Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May 2015	Wednesday 22 nd July 2015	67 (29 first half term, 38 second half term)

Total number of days = 195

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