

News and events from Northwold Primary School



"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."

ANNE FRANK

Golden Achievement Pupils

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

Class	Pupils
N Mexico	Joel Pedro
N Pakistan	Tafari Thomas
R Ireland	Alex Morson
R Somalia	Zakariya Teladia
1 Bangladesh	
1 Ghana	Aaron Thomas
2 Barbados	Karmelle Guthrie
2 Poland	Mehmet Ozsayan
3 Spain	Tayiba Khatun
3 Nigeria	Ali Budak
4 Brazil	Amirah Verrachia
4 Jamaica	Cori-Ann Goulbourne
5 Turkey	Cem Doldur
5 Russia	Haitham Guthmy
6 China	Saarah Patel
6 India	Zakiyah Khatun

Next Week at Northwold

Introducing a new item in our newsletter. Every week we'll give a brief mention of the key events happening at Northwold in the coming week.

Day	Event (Class/Year)
Tuesday	Horniman Museum (R Somalia)
Wednesday	Arsenal Community Trip (4 Jamaica)
Friday	Horniman Museum (R Ireland)

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Dutch Headteachers

Last Friday – 22nd January – Northwold was visited by a large group of headteachers from Holland. They visited all the classes in the school and were hugely impressed by all that they saw.



Rotherham Headteachers' Visit

On Thursday 28th January, we had a visit from a group of headteachers from Rotherham. They came to observe all the fantastic work we do in English. They were extremely impressed by what they saw – pupil behaviour, attitude to learning and children's work were all exceptional they said. One of them said that she now know what an outstanding school looks like. Of course, this is all thanks to the incredibly hard work that the staff,

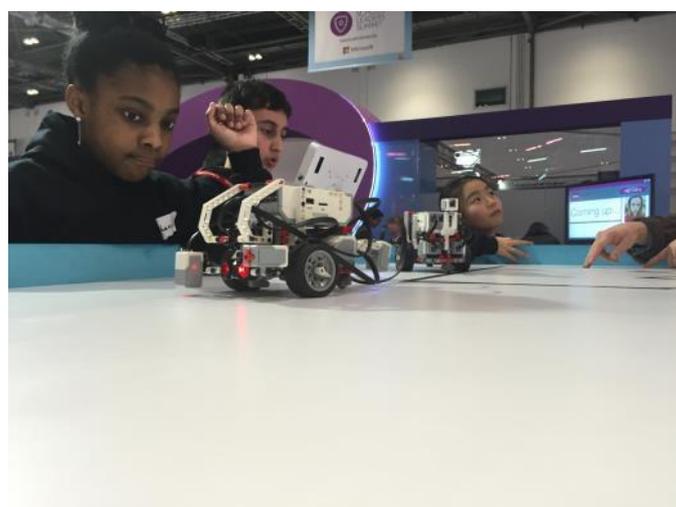
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children, parents and local community put into making Northwold such a success.



BETT Visit – Saturday 23rd January

BETT is an annual event, where providers of the best computer technology for education gather to show their latest products. We were honoured to receive an invite to bring some of our most talented ICT students to present at an event called KidsMeet. Our group showcased their best work to an audience of around 80 children from 8 other schools. They made an excellent presentation, all the more impressive because a sudden equipment failure meant they had to present without some of the work they had come to show. They showed great flexibility and the audience were impressed – one of them tweeted: “Great to see [@NorthwoldSch](#) overcoming tech hassles [#KMBett16](#) [#bett2016](#) and sharing awesome animation from [@Zu3D](#) [pic.twitter.com/YeEKmEvrrQ](#)”. A big thank you to Kenzy, Maira, Abid, Jia-Yin, Rohanna and Cori-Ann for sharing their great work so well and thanks to Ms Kriel, Mrs Goulbourne, Ms Lewis, Ms Sams and Mr Braune for preparing the children for the event and taking them there.



At BETT we were also very fortunate to meet our friends from [The Night Zookeeper](#), [Tagtiv8](#) and [now>press>play](#), with whom we work closely at Northwold.

Finally, we are also launching a collaboration with a company from Taiwan, AClass, who we met at BETT. Their handheld devices enable children to work in an even more interactive way in the classroom. We will keep you updated as this exciting project develops.

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Year 4 Unicorn Theatre Workshop

On Monday the 25th of January, Jamaica Class attended a MINOTAUR workshop before their Unicorn theatre trip. First we entered a magical place where all fairy tales came true and then we became a ring of imagination making 'freedom' come to life. After that we made freeze frames, showing what it means to be free or in captivity. Maliha said being in captivity felt tiring, hot and squashed like a tomato. Cori-Ann felt freedom is to sing and feel full of fresh air. Olasubomi felt tightly trapped and as squashed as play dough, so this inspired the children's minds to feel for the main characters of the Minotaur and Ariadne. Then we learned about Ariadne, who was the beautiful princess of Crete, daughter of the powerful King Minos. After the death of her brother Androgeus, she spent her time caring for her other brother, the mysterious MINOTAUR!

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Children's Disability Forum Flyer

Please see below for information about upcoming events in February.



Dates for your Diary:

Coffee and chat: An opportunity to meet other parents of children with disabilities living in Hackney. An informal drop in just to chat. Get to know others in a safe environment with no stigma.

Where: The Huddleston Centre, 30 Powell Road, E5 8DJ

When: 9th February 2016: 12:30-2.30pm

Coffee/tea and biscuits provided

The Children's Disability Forum: A topic based forum. The topic for the first meeting will be Raising a child with ADHD and other learning difficulties. Come and listen to other parents talk about their experiences. The good bits and the bad bits. Peer support for parents and carers in a safe and comfortable environment.

Where: The Huddleston Centre, 30 Powell Road, E5 8DJ

When: 23rd February 2016: 12:30-2.30pm

Coffee/tea and biscuits provided

Please contact Anjia Malley if you need more information on amalley@huddlestontrust.org.uk

Wednesday Coffee Mornings

Every Wednesday from 9.00-10.00am there will be a coffee morning held in the Canteen. Each week, one of the school's leaders will be talking about their area of responsibility. Why not join other parents afterwards for a coffee? The next meeting this term will be on 3rd February, which will be led by Ms Sams, who will be talking about the current Cornerstones topics and the impact they are having on our curriculum. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mindfulness Course for Parents – Jan 2016

Srivati, from the London Buddhist Centre, has returned to Northwold and is working again with students and staff. She is also leading **a course for parents**. It is every Thursday from 2.00-3.15pm for 8-9 weeks. To get the full benefit, you have to be able to commit to attending all the sessions. It is very much worth the effort – ask your children or our staff. There are still a few places left. If you are interested, leave your name in the Office and come

next Thursday. Click [here](#) to read more about mindfulness.

Bugsy Malone Show at Skinners Academy

The students of Skinners will be putting on a fantastic rendition of Bugsy Malone in a few weeks' time. Please email the address given below if you would like to reserve tickets or buy them from their school office.



After School Clubs

After School Clubs have started. All Reception/Infant clubs are full. There are a few spaces left in the following Juniors' clubs. If your child hasn't got a space already in the three full Juniors clubs, why not consider one of these instead – **Stop Motion Animation (Monday)** – we did Stop Motion Animations for last year's Film and Animation Week; **Yoga (Thursday)** – a great opportunity for child to learn how to be flexible of body and relaxed and calm of mind; **Tennis (Tuesday)** – calling all future Andy Murray's - it starts here; and **Spanish (Thursday)** – take your learning of the world's third most spoken language to another level. If you would like your child to join

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one of these clubs, please come and fill in a form in the Office.

Class Coffee Mornings

Class coffee mornings continue next week, with both Year 3 classes. There's one every Monday and Friday at 9.00am in the Canteen. A full timetable is published below. It's a great chance for parents to meet the class teacher and one another. We look forward to seeing you there. **Please note there have been a couple of changes to the timetable after half-term.**

Week beginning	Class	
	Monday	Friday
1.2.16	Nigeria	Spain
8.2.16	Barbados	Ghana
Half Term		
22.2.16		Poland
29.2.16	Ireland	Turkey
7.3.16	Russia	Bangladesh
14.3.16	China	India
21.3.16	Mexico	

Class Assemblies

Below is the schedule for the Spring Term. Please come and support your child and watch their fantastic assemblies. Class Assemblies are every Friday at 10.45am. We also film the assemblies and upload them to the school's YouTube account.

Week beginning	Class
1.2.16	Pakistan
8.2.16	Mexico
HALF TERM	
22.2.16	Nigeria
29.2.16	Bangladesh
7.3.16	Russia
14.3.16	Jamaica

e-Safety – SID – February 9th 2016



Safer Internet Day is on Tuesday 9th February 2016. This year the theme is to 'play your part for a better internet'. Talk to your child about how to make the internet a kinder place. Click on the link for useful information for parents - <http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2016/parents>.

If there are any areas of e-Safety you want to know more about, please feel free to discuss it with Mr Braune, your child's teacher or one of the school's leaders.

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Next Week's Menu

Week 2

Monday	Pizza	2 Bean Enchilada
	Wedges and Salads	
Tuesday	Vegetable Chow Mein	Mixed Bean Bake
	Boiled Potatoes and Salads	
Wednesday	Jollof rice	Mediterranean & Basil Pasta
	Salads	
Thursday	Quiche	Lasagna
	Boiled Potatoes and Salads	
Friday	Escovitch Fish	Couscous Casablanca
	Couscous	

Remember! If you don't like the food that's on offer we also do jacket potatoes with fillings every day.

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

Term Dates for 2015-16

There are still 2 ½ INSET days to be allocated.

Autumn Term 2015			
First Day	Half Term	Finish	Number of Days
Monday 7 th September 2015	Monday 26 th October to Friday 30 th October 2015	Friday 18 th December 2015	70 days (35 first half-term, 35 second half-term)

Spring Term 2016			
First Day	Half Term	Finish	Number of Days
Monday 4 th January 2016	Monday 15 th February to Friday 19 th February 2016	Thursday 24 th March 2016	54 (30 first half term, 24 second half term)

Summer Term 2016			
First Day	Half Term	Finish	Number of Days
Monday 11 th April 2016	Monday 30 th May to Friday 3 rd June 2016	Friday 22 nd July 2016	69 (34 first half term, 35 second half term)

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