

News and events from Northwold Primary School



Welcome Back & A Happy New Year

Welcome back to what promises to be a fantastic Spring Term. A short but fun-packed term – the Pop-Up Book project, an Enabling Enterprise Challenge Day and new Cornerstones topics. We also welcome Ms Oyete to Russia Class and Mr James to Pakistan Class and welcome back Mr Richard to Jamaica Class.

Golden Achievement Pupils

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

Class	Pupils
N Mexico	Husna Patel
N Pakistan	Mu'Adh Alibhai
R Ireland	Joshua Thompson-McGowan
R Somalia	Tabitha Wilson
1 Bangladesh	Adam Akanbi
1 Ghana	Anayah Ayache
2 Barbados	Abdullahi Ahmed
2 Poland	Kimberly Ewhubare
3 Spain	Yusuf Amin
3 Nigeria	Farzana Akthar
4 Brazil	Jeremiah Berhane
4 Jamaica	Shamisai Supiya
5 Turkey	Aaliyah Hylton-Vitalis
5 Russia	Elif Akhan
6 China	Aisha Begum
6 India	Ahmed Guthmy

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Class Coffee Morning and Assembly Dates

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 first meeting this term will be on 13th January, which will be led by Ms Wilkinson, our PSHE coordinator. She will be talking to you about Mindfulness and how children and adults alike are practising Mindfulness as part of the school's daily life.

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for some volunteers to help accompany groups of Early Years children on Forest school sessions. The sessions will be either in the morning (9.30-11.30am) or in the afternoon (1.15-3.15pm), they will be outdoors in Springfield Park and active. Please let us know what days/times you can offer by speaking to the office or Miss Burley, our Early Years phase leader. All parents from across the school are welcome to volunteer.

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Free Cookery Courses

Do you want to learn some new cooking skills for free? See below for details of two courses – Flavours of the World and Family Cooking – provided by the Shoreditch Trust.



FREE four week cooking courses in three locations, delivered by Shoreditch Trust, part of Hackney's Community Kitchens Programme.

	Banister House Community Hall E9 6BP	Fellows Court Community Hall E2 8LR	Pembury Community Centre E8 1HL
Flavours of the World: International culinary exploration for adults over the age of 16	Mondays 6pm to 8pm 8 th -29 th Feb 2016	Thursdays 6pm to 8pm 25 th Feb - 17 th Mar 2016	Tuesdays 6pm to 8pm 12 th -26 th Jan 2016*
Family Cooking: Tasty, affordable and healthy recipes for the whole family to make	Wednesdays 4pm to 6pm 10 th Feb - 2 nd Mar 2016	Mondays 4pm to 6pm 22 nd Feb - 14 th Mar 2016	Thursdays 4pm to 6pm 14 th -28 th Jan 2016*

Booking is compulsory for all courses. Children must be over the age of 5 and accompanied by a parent or guardian to take part in the Family Cooking course.
*There will be a community feast on Sat 30th Jan for the Pembury course participants.

For more information or to book a place:

020 7033 8529

food@shoreditchtrust.org.uk



KS1 & 2 SATs Parents Meeting

There are major changes in the structure of the KS1 & 2 tests. In May all children in Year 2 and Year 6 will be sitting the new tests. It is important that you are aware of the changes and the impact they will have.

We will be having a meeting in the Canteen to inform parents about the changes on the following days:

- **Year 6 parents- Tuesday 12th January at 9am to discuss the KS2 tests**
- **Year 2 parents- Tuesday 19th January at 9am to discuss the KS1 tests**

Please come and join Mrs Goulbourne to learn more about the tests and how you can support your child.

After School Clubs

Letters for After School Clubs have been sent home. There are a number of new clubs – like Hip-Hop, Yoga, and Stop motion Animation – which we

are really excited about. If you would like your child to join a club, please return the completed form to the Office as soon as possible. These clubs will fill up fast. They will start on Monday 18th January.

Music Lessons

Music lessons resume in the week commencing 11th January.

Class Coffee Mornings

Class coffee mornings resume next week, starting with India and Turkey. 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.

Week beginning	Class	
	Monday	Friday
11.1.16	India	Turkey
18.1.16	Russia	China
25.1.16	Jamaica	Brazil
1.2.16	Nigeria	Spain
8.2.16	Barbados	Ghana
Half Term		
22.2.16		Poland
29.2.16	China	Turkey
7.3.16	Russia	Bangladesh
14.3.16	Brazil	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
11.1.16	Spain
18.1.16	Somalia
25.1.16	Ireland
1.2.16	Pakistan
8.2.16	Mexico
HALF TERM	

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22.2.16	Nigeria
29.2.16	Bangladesh
7.3.16	Russia
14.3.16	Jamaica

TV's Child Genius – Open Day 16.1.16

The makers of the Child Genius TV programme (for Channel 4) are holding an Open Day in Central London on Saturday 16th January. It's a day of podium quizzing, puzzles, strategy games and a Mensa Challenge, to which Northwold children and their families are invited. If you are interested there are contact details in the flyer below.



e-Safety – S is for Safe, M is for Meeting



We'll start the year by reviewing the SMART rules for being online. Make sure your child is aware of how to be **Safe** online, especially by keeping the personal information safe and private. Look at this parents page on the Kidsmart website – <http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/parents/> for more information. M is for **Meet** – the people your children meet online should be people they know in real life. Also if your child wants to meet someone they know online, they should always ask your permission.

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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