## News and events from Northwold Primary School

What did you learn today?
What mistake did you make
that taught you something?
What did you try hard at
today?

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### **Golden Achievement Pupils**

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

Class	Pupils	
N Mexico	Nehemiah Fikadu	
N Pakistan	Suhaylah Yusuf	
R Ireland	Hassana Bah	
R Somalia	Juan Heine Gonzales	
1 Bangladesh	Sukhmani Kaur	
1 Ghana	Tabitha Wilson	
2 Barbados	Aryan Rashid	
2 Poland	Ekam Kaur	
3 Nigeria	Salman Alibhai	
3 Spain	Dejion Matthew	
4 Brazil	Karandep Singh	
4 Jamaica	Xandriana Watson	
5 Russia	Jeremiah Berhane	
5 Turkey	Ahmad Lasania	
6 China	Mohammad Sidyot	
6 India	Faith Yinusa	

# Next Week at Northwold – w.c. 8.5.17

Here are the key events for the upcoming week:

Day	Event/Trip (Class/Year)		
Monday			
Tuesday	S.	Russia – The Tempest Shakespeare Project	
Wednesday	KS2 SATS	Coffee Morning – Mrs Goulbourne	
Thursday	\$		
Friday			

### **Key Stage 2 SATS**

It's SATS week this week. The Year 6's and all their teachers have been working incredibly hard to get ready for SATS. They are quietly confident that they will do well. Whatever the outcome, we are really proud of them. Thanks to each every one of our community, who has guided and assisted them to this point. Wish them all 'Good luck!' if you see them in the playground.

### Ms Sams – Public Recognition Award

We mentioned Ms Sam's Bravery award in last week's newsletter. We are really pleased that the story was featured by The Evening Standard. Please tap on the link to read the story in more detail – <a href="http://www.standard.co.uk/news/crime/primary-school-teacher-was-beaten-up-saving-medics-from-attacker-in-mile-end-a3530316.html">http://www.standard.co.uk/news/crime/primary-school-teacher-was-beaten-up-saving-medics-from-attacker-in-mile-end-a3530316.html</a>

### Please Don't 'Fidget' - Toys in school



Toys are not allowed into school. In the last week, we have seen a number of children who have been bringing in Fidget spinners. They should not be in school as they are distracting and can be dangerous. Some children are spinning them so

fast they're flying out of control and there's been a few cases reported in the media where the metal pieces are flying out. Thanks for your support with this.

### Shakespeare Project



During this half term, Ms Alabi and Years 4 & 5 are working on a brilliant project, exploring the life and works of William Shakespeare. Last week saw some Year 4's perform a play – written and directed by Ms Alabi – about the life and times of one of the most famous writers in the English language. It was stunning and we need to say huge thank you to Ms Alabi, Ms Brown, Ms Thomas-Anguin, Ms Jo, Mrs Kaur, Mr Knoetze and Mr Zvimba. The project continues with the performance of an excerpt of The Tempest by players from Russia Class.

### **After School Clubs**

After School Clubs start on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May. Along with firm favourites like football (FULL) and Spanish, there are some new exciting additions, such as Ballet (FULL), Sewing, Crafts and Computing. Get your forms in by the end of Monday 8<sup>th</sup> to ensure your child's place in the club.

# British Basketball League (BBL) Playoff Finals – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May – FREE TICKETS

The most eagerly anticipated event of any BBL campaign is only a week away. So... do you want to be in one of the **biggest ever** basketball crowds in the UK? Well... the BBL team have generously given us a number of free tickets to this event at the O2 centre in Greenwich. For more information about the event itself, visit <a href="http://bbl.org.uk/playofffinal/">http://bbl.org.uk/playofffinal/</a>. Now... how do you get your hands on these tickets? They will be issued on a first come, first served basis. Please leave your name and details with Cynthia in the Office to claim the tickets — a maximum of 5 per family. A massive thank you to the team at BBL for such a generous and exciting treat.

### Mayor's Maths Challenge

Last week Northwold students did stunningly well in the Mayor's Maths Challenge, which we hosted at school. One of the team, Hiba, wrote this brilliant report on the day. We had to include it:

"The first we did in the Primary Challenge was tangrams and whoever had the most points won. After that we made shapes with tangrams. We also had to make shapes with pentominoes and it was very exciting. Afterwards we played 24@; it was very nerve-wracking because we had to go individually and we had to claim points for the team. Then we all had refreshments. Following that came my favourite part: code breaking, where we had to crack codes to find where the spy was. It was flabbergasting. The answer was... The London Eye. Finally, we received the results and Northwold are in the semi-finals. We are all incredibly excited."

### **Times Tables and Spelling Competitions**

We have been working all year towards our own school competitions too. In the last week of this half-term, there will be times tables and spelling competitions. The following prizes will be awarded — class prize of a voucher for family meal at Nando's and then a family ten pin bowling session for Y1/2, Y3/4 and Y5/6

winners. Prizes will be awarded for the fastest and most improved students. The lists for your child's year group would have been sent out in the autumn term. Class teachers will send out the lists at the beginning of next week, as a reminder. Please help your children practise at home, so they can do their very very best.

#### **Forest School Fleeces**

We are delighted to announce a new addition to the Northwold Collection – Forest School fleeces. It comes in BLACK\* ONLY with the school's logo and you child's name embroidered on it. The price is £11.50, and it is only available on a made-to-order basis with payment required when you place your order. Many thanks to Richard for showing us how fantastic the fleeces look.

\*They <u>do not</u> come in RED. It was the colour the makers of the fleeces used for the sample they sent.



### **Morning Drop Off**

We've noticed a number of parents coming with their children into the playground well before the start of the school day. Please stay with your child until it's time for them to go in.

### School Trips – REMINDER

Trips are really exciting for the children; they really enjoy the experience of learning outside school. To help the support your children please could you bring them to school on time. Some classes have missed their workshops because they have been waiting for children that have come to school late and delayed the start of the journey

### Forest School – READY FOR ALL WEATHERS

Forest School is an important part of our school curriculum. It will only be taught indoors if we are experiencing severe weather conditions, like blizzards or high winds (yellow on the BBC weather charts). We ask you to ensure you send your children to be prepared for all weathers – the cold, rain, sun, and high temperatures. We are not able to accommodate requests to remain in school because of the weather. We thank you for your cooperation in this. As it's the Summer Term, please remember to send in your child with a sunhat and suncream on sunny days.

### P.E. – Correct Kit and P.E. Day

Please see the list below for the correct kit. On your child's P.E. day, your child will **come to school in their P.E. kit\*** (NOT SCHOOL UNIFORM) and wear it for the whole day. Your child needs to wear the school's P.E. kit:

- Black school hoodie (with your child's name in house colour)
- House colour T-Shirt with your child's name
- Plain black jogging bottoms (<u>Leggings, jogging</u> bottoms in other colours or with logos are not acceptable)
- Plimsolls or trainers

The P.E. day for each year group is as follows:

Monday: Year 2

Tuesday: Nursery & Year 5

Wednesday: Reception, Years 1 & 4

Thursday: Year 3 Friday: Year 6

\* Nursery to Year 4 children MUST also come to school in their P.E. kit on Forest School days.

# Wednesday Coffee Morning – Mrs Goulbourne

Next Wednesday on 10<sup>th</sup> May, Mrs Goulbourne will be hosting the next Wednesday coffee morning of the term. She will be talking to you about the key developments in our school this summer. We look forward to seeing you in the Canteen at 9.00am.

Class Coffee Mornings - Summer Term

Class Coffee Mornings continue next week with each Year 3 class your hosts. It's a great chance for parents to meet the class teacher and one another. We look forward to seeing you there.

Week	Monday	Friday
Beginning		
8.5.17	Nigeria	Spain
15.5.17	Ghana	Bangladesh
22.5.17	Jamaica	Brazil
	Half Term	
5.6.17		
12.6.17	China	India
19.6.17	Poland	Barbados
26.6.17	Somalia	Ireland
3.7.17	Mexico	Pakistan
10.7.17	No Coffee Morning	
17.7.17		

#### **Class Assemblies**

The next class assembly will be performed by **Ireland**, on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May. The assembly will start at 9.30am and last up to half an hour. Below is the timetable for the rest of the school year, so you can put the dates and time in your diaries. It really makes a big difference for children to see their family in the audience; we hope you can make the time for them.

### **Summer 2017**

Week	Class	
Beginning		
8.5.17	Ireland	
22.5.17	Mexico – Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> *	
12.6.17	Pakistan	
26.6.17	China	
3.7.17	India	

<sup>\*</sup> This is has been brought forward by one day to accommodate our Shakespeare project.

### Playcentre Menu

Please see below the Playcentre snack menu. The menu runs on a 2 week cycle. This coming week is Week 2:

	Playcentre S Week	
Monday	cheese and tomato or tuna mayonnaise sandwich	
Tuesday	flapjacks	
Wednesday	fruit kebabs and popcorn	
Thursday	Crunchy lettuce and tomato slices in a mini pitta pockets and popcorn	
Friday	chocolate muffin and banana milkshake	

Fresh fruit and water will be also be offered to the children each day

### e-Safety – Growing Up Digital - CBBC

As promised we return this week to CBBC's 'Growing Up Digital', which focuses on e-Safety and also more widely on our children's online lives. This week I'm highlighting an item around what information children share when they sign up to social media websites and apps. Primary-aged children shouldn't be using the likes of Facebook, Snapchat and Twitter yet, but we are aware that some children are using them or will be soon. When you sign up, you have to accept 'Terms and Conditions', but nearly everyone - probably many adults included - don't bother to read the 'Ts and Cs'. Because you sign up for these networks for free, what you 'agree' to in the 'Ts and Cs' mean you or your child are giving up a lot of information about yourself for free to be used in ways that you want or expect. For more, read the full article here: http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/38992576?colle ction=growing-up-digital

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.

### Next Week's Menu

Week 2

Please note that there are also <u>different salad</u> options on different days.

Monday	Pizza	Cheesy Fingers	Green Salad Tomato Slices	
	Chips Baked Beans		Coleslaw	
	Veggie Chili	Falafel	Green Salad Tomato Slices	
Tuesday	Tuesday Baked Beans Couscous Pilaf		Carrot Sticks	
Wednesday	Macaroni Cheese	Spaghetti with Provencal Sauce	Green Salad Tomato Slices Cucumber Slices	
Thursday	Tuna Kedgeree	Corn and Bean Tortilla Stack	Green Salad Tomato Slices Beetroot	
Friday	Summer Pasta	Potato Dauphinoise	Green Salad Greek Salad	

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

#### Term Dates for 2016-17

Below are dates for our 195 teaching days, including 5 days for the purpose of teachers' staff development (INSET). These days can be taken as INSET days or equivalent twilight sessions.

Academies, free schools and voluntary-aided schools are able to set their own dates but have been asked to set the same or similar dates in the interest of parents who may have children at different schools.

Autumn Term 2016			
First Day	Half Term	Finish	Number of Days
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2016  (Staff INSET – Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2016)	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2016	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2016	72 days (34 first half- term, 38 second half-term)

Spring Terr	m 2017		
First Day	Half Term	Finish	Number of Days
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2017  (Staff INSET – Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January – Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2017)	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2017	59 (29 first half term, 30 second half term)

Summer Term 2017			
First Day	Half Term	Finish	Number of Days
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2017	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2017	63 (28 first half term, 35 second half term)

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