



# NORTHUMBERLAND HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have had a wonderful week; the weather has definitely turned to autumn and it is getting wetter and colder!

It has been another busy week here at NHP! The children continue to settle into the new routines and expectations, and we are consistently reinforcing those. Mrs Fleary and Mrs Wickes are working alongside children and families that may need extra support.

Thank you to all those parents who completed the values google form, we combined these with the views of the children and staff. I am pleased to announce our new values:

Respect, resilience, excellence, kindness, individuality, and collaboration. We will be launching the new values after half term with the children. We will be changing the values in the hall and make signs, posters over the next few months. The view is to ensure we are teaching and embedding 1 value each half term and weave them into our curriculum. It is an exciting time for change.

Today is National Teaching Assistants Day, we celebrated them this morning. We have amazing and dedicated teaching assistants here at NHP who go over and beyond, we are truly grateful for all that they do! We thank them!

We hope you have a great weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Ms D Indresano and the NHP Team!



Thank you to everyone who came to the Macmillan Coffee Afternoon. A big thank you to those who donated and bought cakes too.



## Parent Forum

On Tuesday 3rd October after drop off, I will be holding a parent forum in the hall. This will be an opportunity to meet some more parents but also talk about the journey of school improvement for NHP. This is not a time to bring up individual concerns, but a chance to discuss the plans going forward and gather any ideas from parents that we could consider. I would like to do these meetings every half term to continue to build the relationships between the school and the community. Come along and have a coffee or tea with us!

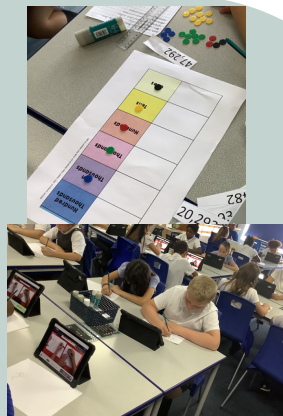


## Year Four

Year 4 have explored the local area to photograph the variety of plants with our iPad. We then used these photos to scientifically examine the different leaves and identify the plants. Finally, using all of this information, we created a dichotomous key in Keynote.



"Discover a world of art and math synergy in our fifth-grade classroom! Students independently explore art through instructional videos, fostering creativity. Engaged in passionate discussions, they collaborate, celebrating diverse ideas. Integrating math, they use manipulatives to deepen conceptual understanding. Join us in celebrating this vibrant, collaborative, and interdisciplinary learning adventure!"



## Year Five

We have spent time implementing the behaviours and expectations in the classroom to make it a great place to learn for everyone. We are making great improvements and starting to focus on our learning.



## Year Six

### Last Chance : Harvest Festival

As is our custom, we will be collecting items to support a local charity as part of the Harvest celebrations which will take place in October. This year, in collaboration with St Paul's church, Mill Road, all donations received will be given to our local food bank who support Women's Aid shelters. All donations will be collected during the week 2nd – 6th October. You are welcome to send in your donations with your child, or you can give these directly to your child's class teacher if you prefer.

- Women's toiletries
- Childrens toiletries
- Baby toiletries
- Nappies
- Nappy bags
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Bubble bath
- Deodorant
- Baby food
- Laundry products
- Washing up liquid
- Sanitary product



### Safeguarding (Mrs Beale)

We often talk about the ages that children should be able to access apps. Do you know that there has been an 82% rise in online grooming crimes against children in the last 5 years.

The statistics are stark.

- 150 different apps, games and websites were used to groom children online.
- 26% of online grooming offences against children took place on Snapchat.
- 47% of online grooming offences took place on Meta-owned products such as Facebook, Instagram and Whatsapp.

We will add more safeguarding information to the newsletter weekly. If you would like support with anything related to safeguarding please do contact us.

Coming up...

**October Half Term**  
**MULTI-SPORT COURSE**  
 BOYS AND GIRLS 4-13 years  
 All abilities  
**£45 per week** or £15 a day  
 • Woodland Academy Trust Discount  
 • Sibling discount (non trust members)  
**Friday Funday!**  
 Limewood Primary School, 2 Sandy Road, Erith, Kent, DA8 1FJ  
**23-27 Oct | 10am-3pm**  
 Please Bring: Packed Lunch, Drinks, Trainers & Shipnads.  
 Rewards Include: Certificates, Medals & Trophies.  
 Sports Include: Basketball; Dodgeball; Handball; Motor Skills; Kick Ball; Benchball; Football; Tag Rugby; Racket Skills; Tennis; Badminton.  
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**October Half Term**  
**FOOTBALL COURSE**  
 BOYS AND GIRLS 5-13 years  
 All abilities  
**£45 per week** or £15 a day  
 • Woodland Academy Trust Discount  
 • Sibling discount (non trust members)  
**Friday Funday!**  
 Northumberland Heath Primary School, Wheelock Close, Erith, DA8 1JE (Brook Street entrance)  
**23-27 Oct | 10am-3pm**  
 Please Bring: Packed Lunch, Drinks, Trainers & Shipnads.  
 Rewards Include: Certificates, Medals & Trophies.  
 Coach Qualifications: UEFA and FA Qualified Coaches; FA Child Protection; Safeguarding & First Aid Training.  
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## BIRTHDAYS

Lekan, Albie, Daisy, Maria, Phoebe, Nahida, Nehan & Zorah



## STAR OF THE WEEK

Class	Name
Bluebells AM	Paramdeep
Bluebells PM	Greyson
Catkin	Mankirat
Saplings	Ben
Aspen	Leia
Hawthorn	Joshua O
Elm	Arnie
Rowan	Jamane
Nettle	Jaxon
London Plane	Amelia
Silver Birch	Paige
Mountain Ash	Cristian
Maple	Alfred
Spruce	Lily
Whitebeam	Harris
Pine	Ravreet
Beech	Lydia
Linden	Jeremiah
Oak	James
Cedar	Stefanie
Elder	Chloe

### Admission to secondary school in September 2023

Children born between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013 will transfer to secondary school in September 2024.

The application period will be open on Friday 1 September 2023 and the closing date is Tuesday 31 October 2023.

You can find more information on Secondary Schools on the Bexley Council website:

<https://www.bexley.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/secondary-schools/starting-secondary-school>

### Applying for Reception or Nursery for September 2024? Come and Visit



Choose your date

Thursday  
19th October 2023  
2-3pm

Tuesday  
7th November 2023  
10-11am

Monday  
4th December 2023  
9.30-10.30am

Friday  
5th January 2024  
10-11am

Monday  
29th January 2024  
10-11am



We welcome you to come and meet our Head Teacher Ms Indresano, and our Early Years Leader, Mrs Skeels, who will tell you all about our wonderful school!

Please use the contact details below to book your place now.



please email  
 nhpoffice@watschools.org.uk  
 or call  
 01322 334 638  
 Thank you

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Registration Form	Present R/C: Marks
1 Aspen	95.1%
1 Hawthorn	94.6%
2 Elm	97.6%
2 Nettle	86.0%
2 Rowan	88.6%
3 London Plane	94.3%
3 Mountain Ash	94.6%
3 Silver Birch	92.1%
4 Maple	97.6%
4 Spruce	92.3%
4 Whitebeam	95.0%
5 Beech	95.2%
5 Linden	96.5%
5 Pine	95.3%
6 Cedar	91.0%
6 Elder	94.4%
6 Oak	92.3%
N Bluebells	88.9%
R Catkin	93.6%
R Saplings	94.0%

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