



NORTHUMBERLAND HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Everywhere you go, leave a glitter trail of kindness behind you.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely and restful two-week break. It has been wonderful to see everyone back at school this week, full of energy and ready for another exciting half term of learning.

On Tuesday, we had an amazing visit from Rock Kidz! The hall was filled with music, dancing, and laughter as everyone dressed up as rock stars and joined in with the fun. The sessions focused on an important theme — kindness — which ties in perfectly with our value this term. children loved the energy and enthusiasm, and the messages about kindness and respect really shone through.

This week we also welcomed prospective parents who toured our school ahead of Reception admissions for next year. It was wonderful to share what makes our school special, and we were so proud to receive such positive comments about our staff, children, and learning environment.

We were also delighted to announce that we have been awarded the **Bronze Oracy Award** from Bexley! This recognition reflects the fantastic progress we have made in developing children's speaking and communication skills. We are so proud of this achievement and the dedication of staff and pupils alike — and we are already aiming for the Silver Award next!

In addition, we received our **Apple Distinguished School** certificate, which is now proudly displayed in the school reception area for everyone to see. This award celebrates our innovative use of technology to enhance teaching and learning — a real team effort across the whole school.

On Wednesday, children in each class took part in their Big Bang Day to launch their new topics for this term. It was fantastic to see so much enthusiasm and curiosity as they explored new ideas, asked thoughtful questions, and got excited about the learning ahead. The classrooms were buzzing with energy and creativity — a wonderful way to start the term's learning journey.

On Thursday, we celebrated our Stars of the Week and recognised the classes with the highest attendance. Well done to all those who received certificates — your hard work and commitment are fantastic examples to others.

Finally, we are delighted to share that, following the huge success of the PTFA Spooky Discos, an amazing £600 was raised! Thank you so much to all the parents who supported the event, whether by volunteering or attending — and of course, to all the children who made it such a fun and memorable afternoon.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, and we look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday.

Ms Indresano and the NHP Team

Early Years



Reception have been learning about pancakes today, and we made pancakes for them to try. We have been looking at many different types of celebrations.

Year 1 launched their new topic by becoming explorers for the day and finding hidden treasure around the classroom using a map. The treasure spelt out the name of our core text for this term - Martha Maps it Out. We had fun searching for the treasure and then using our reading skills to work out the title.



Year One

Year Two



This week for Big Bang Day, Year 2 were learning all about London! They went on a hunt around the classroom looking for the names of the different monuments that are found in London! They are loving learning about London!

We enjoyed dressing up as rockstars to rock out! We learnt a new song about kindness which is our school value for this term.



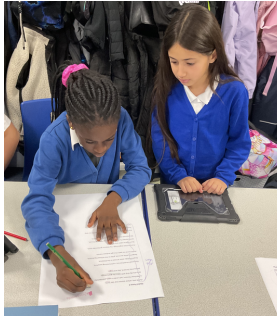
Year Three

Year Four



Year 4 showed their collaboration skills by attempting to build pyramids out of spaghetti and marshmallows ... with some of these structures collapsing, we really appreciate the skill of the Egyptians.

Year Five



This week, in Year 5, we they started their new reading topic by looking closely at poems about the Frozen North. They annotated keywords and ideas to help them picture the snowy, icy setting as a hook into our new book, Race to the Frozen North, where they will learn about Matthew Henson, an explorer who travelled to the North Pole.

In Year 6, we have been immersing ourselves in our new core text "The Soup Movement". We have been discussing key vocabulary and characters. To show our understanding we selected our favourite scenarios from the text and created a freeze frame.



Year Six

ATTENDANCE

Take a look at this week's attendance. Please remember to inform us if your child is absent by calling 01322 334638 and speaking to the school office. Alternatively you can nhpoffice@watschools.org.uk

Registration Form	Present R/C: Marks (%)
N Bluebells	95.7%
R Catkin	99.2%
R Saplings	94.2%
1 Aspen	86.1%
1 Hawthorn	96.5%
2 Elm	98.7%
2 Nettle	99.4%
3 Mountain Ash	94.6%
3 Silver Birch	96.3%
4 Maple	87.9%
4 Spruce	98.5%
4 Whitebeam	89.7%
5 Beech	95.4%
5 Linden	98.2%
5 Pine	96.4%
6 Cedar	87.2%
6 Elder	95.8%
6 Oak	93.5%

STAR OF THE WEEK

Friday 7th Nov	Star of the Week
Bluebells AM	Ekam
Bluebells PM	Amelia
Saplings	Florence
Catkin	Lexie-Lou
Aspen	Francesca
Hawthorn	Harper-Ivie
Nettle	Brady
Elm	Aria
Silver Birch	Seren
Mountain Ash	Harley
Spruce	Charlie
Maple	Valeria
Whitebeam	Yigithan
Beech	Bobby
Pine	Ted
Linden	Albert W
Oak	Amelia
Cedar	Jazmine
Elder	Isabelle

HAPPY November BIRTHDAY

Leea, Emily, Michelle, Sarah, Raschael, Jimmy, Sehajpreet, Shanaya, Mehar, Amelia, Tonylee, Natalia, Riana, Jasondeep, Rubie-Mae, Charlotte, Teiyen, Ifeoluwa, Nishaye, Zeynap, Tom, Lukas, Petra, Muhammed, Israa, Blake, Darron, Jashvi, Evie, Qawiyya, Aaran, Albert, Harry, Jackson, Stanley, Annie, Ronnie, Oliver, Samuel & Elijah.

Safeguarding

⚠️ Safety Warning: Dangerous TikTok "Choking" Challenge called Tap Out.

We want to make parents and carers aware of a dangerous trend circulating on social media platforms such as TikTok. The challenge involves young people placing each other in a chokehold, applying pressure to the neck until the person "taps out." While videos often show participants laughing and walking away unharmed, this activity is extremely dangerous and can cause serious injury, brain damage, or even death due to lack of oxygen.

Please speak to your children about the dangers of this challenge and remind them never to take part or encourage others to do so. We also encourage parents to be vigilant, monitor social media activity, and report any concerns to the school or relevant authorities.



What's on at Northumberland Heath Primary? November

Monday 3 rd	Tuesday 4 th	Wednesday 5 th	Thursday 6 th	Friday 7 th
Poppies will be on sale from today, please bring change for a donation. Poppies will be coming around to class.	Rock Kids (Rock Star Fancy Dress) Next Year Reception Tour 10am	Special Bonfire Menu		
Monday 10 th	Tuesday 11 th	Wednesday 12 th	Thursday 13 th	Friday 14 th
Anti-bullying Week	Armistice Day			Children in Need Day (info to follow)
Monday 17 th	Tuesday 18 th	Wednesday 19 th	Thursday 20 th	Friday 21 st
		Year 1 - Cinema Trip	Year 5 Everybody's Invited - Class Workshop for Pupils	
Monday 24 th	Tuesday 25 th	Wednesday 26 th	Thursday 27 th	Friday 28 th
	Flu Spray catch ups			

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What's on at Northumberland Heath Primary? December

Monday 1 st	Tuesday 2 nd	Wednesday 3 rd	Thursday 4 th	Friday 5 th
Monday 8 th	Tuesday 9 th	Wednesday 10 th	Thursday 11 th	Friday 12 th
Next Year Reception Tour 10am		Nursery Nativity 9.30am	Reception Nativity 9.30am	Christmas Dinner Day - Wear your Christmas Jumpers or Christmas Colours
Monday 15 th	Tuesday 16 th	Wednesday 17 th	Thursday 18 th	Friday 19 th
Year 1 & 2 Christmas songs @ Church 9.30am	Year 3 & 4 Christmas songs @ Church 9.30am Year 5 & 6 Christmas songs @ Church 1.30pm	Year 4 Gallery for Parents	Year 5 Trip - Sealife	Last day of term before Christmas holidays

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Feedback Friday
SHARING THE
FEEDBACK FROM
OUR COMMUNITY

"I've always enjoyed the displays in the school. You can see how hard the children have worked on them."