

NORTHUMBERLAND HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL

"If there is love in your heart and your mind, you will feel like Christmas all the time." – Faith Hill

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we come to the end of our final week of the year, the school has been filled with festive cheer, celebration and a wonderful sense of community. What a joyful way to finish the term before we head off for the Christmas break.

This week, our children in Years 1–6 performed their nativity and Christmas songs in the church to families. The atmosphere was truly special as the children sang beautifully, spoke confidently and brought the Christmas story to life. It was a heart-warming reminder of how much they have grown this year, and seeing the church filled with proud families made the event even more memorable.

On Wednesday, Year 4 held their gallery event for parents, showcasing their learning from across the term. The children were incredibly proud to present their work, which included writing, artwork and project pieces linked to their topic. Parents enjoyed hearing the children explain what they had learned and how their skills had developed. It was a fantastic celebration of their creativity, confidence and hard work.

Our PTFA continued to sprinkle Christmas magic throughout the school with the Christmas Discos for Years 1–6 held after school this week. The children had a fantastic time dancing, playing games and celebrating together. These events take a great deal of organisation, and we are incredibly grateful to our PTFA for their hard work in creating such a fun and festive experience for our pupils.

Year 5 also enjoyed an exciting visit to Sea Life London as part of their topic this term. The children were fascinated by the underwater creatures, ocean habitats and conservation work taking place. They returned full of enthusiasm, eager to share what they had learned and the new discoveries they had made during the trip.

On Thursday, Freshwater Theatre visited us to deliver an AI-themed assembly to Years 3, 4 and 6. The children thoroughly enjoyed the interactive performance and were inspired by the creative way technology and storytelling were combined.

Today we held our Headteacher's Awards assembly. Well done to all the children who received a certificate and badge – your effort, kindness and commitment to learning have truly stood out this term.

We also had a very special surprise overnight... Father Christmas visited NHP and delivered class presents under the tree! The children were absolutely delighted to find the gifts waiting for them this morning. We are very grateful for the generosity behind this surprise (the PTFA kindly purchased the board games for each class), a wonderful act of festive kindness that ensured every class received a new game to enjoy together.

As we wrap up this term, I would like to thank all our families for your support, kindness and partnership. Wishing you all a peaceful, joyful Christmas break and a very happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 5th January.

Ms Indresano & The NHP Team



Early Years



Reception enjoyed their movie evening after school. They watched 'The Magic Reindeer', had some festive treats and danced to Christmas music! Now we are feeling very festive!

Aspen class have been using the editing skills they learnt in computing this term to give themselves a Christmas makeover. Hawthorn turned our Numicon shapes into reindeer, helping us spot and remember number bonds while being creative at the same time.



Year One

Year Two



This term, Year 2 have thoroughly enjoyed embracing technology to support and extend their learning. It has really enhanced the way we look at completing a task and opened a wealth of resources.

Year 3 thoroughly enjoyed their visit to the church this week, the children sang Christmas carols and retold the story of the Nativity. Everyone enjoyed welcoming the parents to watch



Year Three

Year Four



The children in Year 4 had a wonderful time wearing their Christmas jumpers and visiting our local church to sing festive songs. They sang beautifully, showed great confidence, and filled the church with Christmas cheer! I'm sure they will be singing at home too, so you will be able to join in!

Year
Five



Year 5 had a wonderful trip this week to see the penguins at Sealife. They learnt about the different species and how to care for them. Also, they learnt how the Sealife centre keep the environment as close to their own as possible.

In Year 6, we have been practising our cutting, grating, and peeling skills so that we can successfully prepare a cultural dish. We hope this sparks an interest in the food our children are eating, and to know what it takes to prepare a meal.



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 (%)
1 Aspen	97.6%
1 Hawthorn	94.4%
2 Elm	88.7%
2 Nettle	95.5%
3 Mountain Ash	98.5%
3 Silver Birch	94.1%
4 Maple	93.2%
4 Spruce	95.1%
4 Whitebeam	97.6%
5 Beech	94.5%
5 Linden	91.4%
5 Pine	93.5%
6 Cedar	99.7%
6 Elder	90.3%
6 Oak	94.6%
N Bluebells	82.8%
R Catkin	79.4%
R Saplings	82.0%

STAR OF THE WEEK

	Effort	Achievement
Bluebells AM	Gracie	Michelle
Bluebells PM	Noah	Semilore
Saplings	Florence	Grayson
Catkin	Edona	Paxton
Aspen	Louie-James	Olivia
Hawthorn	Isabel	Oliver
Nettle	Lacey	Theo
Elm	Dollie	Thomas
Silver Birch	Violet	Yuvaan
Mountain Ash	Raschael	Dara
Spruce	Harry	Amira
Maple	Kimberley	Nermin
Whitebeam	Christian	Amelia
Beech	Jamie-Jay	Emily
Pine	Amelia	Vyacheslav
Linden	Emmanuella	Kyran
Oak	Isla C	Kai
Cedar	Michelle	Micheal
Elder	Zarae	Artem

HAPPY *December* BIRTHDAY

Holly, Liara, Baileyrai, Yigithan, Carter, Charlie, Joshua, Scarlett, Diana, Bharathi, Harley, Jason, Rois, Megan, Oliver, Kialo-Jay, Flourish, Lucas, Dalia, Ava, Victoria, Nieve-Rose, Evie-Rose, Sophia, Rodiyah, Jay, Adea, Tomiwa, George, April, Ruby, Henry, Archie, Louise, Kayla, Frankie, Demi, Dillon, Sophia & Emilia.

Merry Christmas

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
We are back on Monday 5th January 2026.

Safeguarding

As we approach Christmas, we wish you all an enjoyable festive break, which hopefully also allows the rest and recuperation that so many people need at this time of year. We are mindful that Christmas is not without its stresses; we would like to share with you, some websites where, if required, you may access advice and support for a range of issues, which may be experienced during this time of the year.

On our Facebook page over Christmas we will post links of support for those who may find it useful.



WINSTON'S WISH
Giving hope to grieving children



Feedback Friday
SHARING THE
FEEDBACK FROM
OUR COMMUNITY

I've really enjoyed all of the festive events this year. The staff and children have made a great effort!
-Parent