



NORTHUMBERLAND HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Treat everyone with respect and kindness. Period. No exceptions." - Kiana Tom

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move further into the winter months, the colder weather has certainly made itself known. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for school, with warm coats, hats and gloves where needed. We also kindly ask that all clothing is clearly labelled with your child's name. We continue to receive a large amount of lost property each week, and named items make it much easier for us to return belongings to their rightful owners.

On Tuesday, our Year 1 children visited Erith town centre as part of their geography learning this term. They explored the local area, looked at different types of buildings and landmarks, and learned more about the community they live in. The children had a fantastic time and represented the school beautifully. A big thank you to the parents who were able to accompany the children and support the walk to and from school – your help is always greatly appreciated.

On Wednesday, we were delighted to welcome oracy leads from other schools in our trust, along with Marc Naylor from Bexley, who joined us to see how oracy is being embedded across the school. They were extremely complimentary about the quality of talk in our classrooms, noting how confidently our children use oracy strategies to support their learning. It was wonderful to hear such positive feedback and to see the impact of our continued work in this area.

On Thursday, we celebrated our Stars of the Week and congratulated the classes with the highest attendance. This week's focus has been linked to our value of kindness, and it was lovely to recognise children who have shown thoughtfulness, empathy and consideration towards others. Well done to all those who received certificates – your positivity sets a great example for everyone.

Our PTFA have also started selling tickets for the Christmas Discos, following the huge success of the Spooky Discos earlier this term. Tickets are available after school in the playground, and they are already proving very popular! Thank you to our PTFA for their ongoing dedication and enthusiasm in organising these special events for our children.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend. We look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday.

Ms Indresano and the NHP Team!

Early Years



This week in EYFS we've been exploring colours discovering new shades, mixing paints, and having lots of creative fun!

The children have loved experimenting and seeing how colours change when we mix them together. Such bright, curious little learners!

Year 1 visited Erith town centre this week to help them find out more about the human and physical features of our local area. We will use what we found to help us produce an information leaflet all about Erith.



Year One

Year Two



This week, Year 2 have been busy developing their oracy skills through rich discussion and storytelling. Using our core text Katie in London, the children explored how different characters feel at key moments throughout the story. They worked together to express their ideas clearly, listen carefully to others, and build on each other's thoughts.

This week, Year 3 have been developing their oracy and debating skills in Reading through an activity called "Conscious Ally," inspired by our core text The Iron Man. The class was split into two teams — one for the townspeople building a trap and one against it. Working together, each group prepared thoughtful responses to support their side of the argument. The activity provided a fantastic opportunity to strengthen a wide range of skills, including teamwork, collaboration, speaking, and structured debate. The children thoroughly enjoyed exploring different viewpoints and crafting persuasive arguments.



Year Three

Year Four



Year 4 are really enjoying learning some more cords and songs on the ukuleles. They can recap things from last year and are excelling at learning some more complicated music.

Year Five



This week, in Year 5, in science, the children created a salt solution as part of their work on reversible and irreversible changes. They set up a fair test and carefully controlled all variables, including ensuring that each solution was placed under the same conditions for the week. Over the coming days, the children will observe how the salt begins to crystallise, recording the changes they notice and discussing what this tells them about evaporation and particle behaviour.

This week in Year 6 we have been using our prior learning to help us identify the properties of materials. We tested each material for magnetism, permeability, transparency and flexibility. This supported us and our discussions when we were sorting materials into what they are best used for.



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	96.1%
R Catkin	94.3%
R Saplings	88.7%
1 Aspen	93.9%
1 Hawthorn	89.6%
2 Elm	98.0%
2 Nettle	90.4%
3 Mountain Ash	97.4%
3 Silver Birch	96.3%
4 Maple	97.2%
4 Spruce	88.2%
4 Whitebeam	87.6%
5 Beech	94.5%
5 Linden	98.6%
5 Pine	92.1%
6 Cedar	95.2%
6 Elder	92.8%
6 Oak	93.9%

STAR OF THE WEEK

Friday 28th Nov	Star of the Week
Bluebells AM	Arlo
Bluebells PM	Semilore
Saplings	Grayson
Catkin	Sehaj
Aspen	Mouhamed
Hawthorn	Zion
Nettle	Harrison W
Elm	Nanki
Silver Birch	Matei
Mountain Ash	Jashvi
Spruce	Sylvie
Maple	Lile
Whitebeam	Phoebe
Beech	Adea
Pine	Scarlett
Linden	Louise
Oak	Victoria
Cedar	Olive
Elder	Flourish

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.

What's on at Northumberland Heath Primary?

December

Monday 1st	Tuesday 2nd	Wednesday 3rd	Thursday 4th	Friday 5th
Reception Forest School Year 5 PE Day	Stay and Draw Club Line Dancing Club Multiskills Year 3 PE day	Choir Club Year 1 PE Day Year 4 PE day	Ping Pong Club Nursery Forest School Year 3 Swimming Year 6 PE Day	Reception PE Day Year 2 PE Day
Monday 8th	Tuesday 9th	Wednesday 10th	Thursday 11th	Friday 12th
Next Year Reception Tour 10am Reception Forest School Year 5 PE Day	Stay and Draw Club Line Dancing Club Multiskills Year 3 PE day	Reception & Nursery Nativity 9.30am Choir Club Year 1 PE Day Year 4 PE day	Reception & Nursery Nativity 9.30am Ping Pong Club Nursery Forest School Year 3 Swimming Year 6 PE Day	Christmas Dinner Day - Wear your Christmas Jumpers or Christmas Colours Reception PE Day Year 2 PE Day
Monday 15th	Tuesday 16th	Wednesday 17th	Thursday 18th	Friday 19th
Year 1 & 2 Christmas songs @ Church 9.30am Reception Forest School Year 5 PE Day Christmas Disco 1 & 2	Year 3 & 4 Christmas songs @ Church 9.30am Year 3 PE day Year 5 & 6 Christmas songs @ Church 1.30pm Christmas Disco 3 & 4	Year 4 Gallery for Parents Year 1 PE Day Year 4 PE day Christmas Disco 5 & 6	Year 5 Trip - Sealife Nursery Forest School Year 3 Swimming Year 6 PE Day	Reception PE Day Year 2 PE Day Last day of term before Christmas holidays

Safeguarding

As the darker mornings and evenings continue, we want to ensure all our pupils stay safe when travelling to and from school. Please take a moment to discuss the following safety tips with your child:

★ Be Visible

Wear bright or reflective clothing so drivers and other pedestrians can see you. Consider reflective bands for bags or coats.

🚶♀️ Stick to Safe Routes

Use well-lit paths and avoid shortcuts through parks or secluded areas. Cross at designated pedestrian crossings wherever possible.

👫 Travel with Others

Walking with a friend or in a small group can help children feel safer. Arrange "walking buddies" where possible.

📱 Stay Aware

Remind children to keep phones in pockets when walking and stay alert to their surroundings. Headphones should be used with care so important sounds aren't missed.

🚗 For Parents and Carers

If collecting your child, please park safely and avoid stopping in areas that reduce visibility for others.

Encourage punctual pick-ups to reduce children waiting alone in the dark.

Thank you for helping us keep all our pupils safe during the darker months. If you have any concerns, please contact the school's safeguarding team.

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Feedback Friday
SHARING THE
FEEDBACK FROM
OUR COMMUNITY

"I love coming to Northumberland Heath Primary, everyone is so friendly and helpful!"
-WAT Staff