



NORTHUMBERLAND HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a whirlwind of a term it has been!

So much has taken place in a short amount of time, new routines, new learning environments, new expectations and for the most part, most of our children have really embraced the changes.

It was a pleasure on Thursday, to present and celebrate our first Headteachers' Awards assembly. Two children per class were chosen for effort and achievement to receive a certificate and badge. Well done to those children, we are very proud of you. I really look forward to celebrating more children next half term.

Over the half term holiday, we will be painting the front offices including the reception area, the reception offices will be having a make over which we are excited about. We are slowly making sure the school feels loved and looks fresh. After half term, we will be sending out the Christmas events dates (I cannot believe it is only a couple of months away). We will also be having parents' evenings, which again, I will send out further information.

This past week, children have been busy publishing their final outcomes ready for display. Staff stayed behind on Thursday to put up their learning in the KS2 corridor. It is a new and effective way of displaying their learning. The children loved seeing it when they came in on Friday.

On Thursday, we welcomed new reception parents to tour our school. We spoke about the journey that NHP is on and the plans we have for the school going forward. We had some lovely feedback from an existing parent of the school, positively saying how much the school had changed in a short amount of time.

We wish you a wonderful and safe half term and we look forward to seeing you all back on Monday 30th October.

Ms D Indresano and the NHP Team

Thank you



ERITH TOWN FC

A big thank you to Erith Town FC for the season tickets that they gave us, for our families. If you were lucky enough to get one we hope you enjoy the matches coming up! If you didn't manage to get a season ticket, you can still go to watch the matches, all information is on their website:
<https://www.erithtown.com/>

Instagram



Remember to follow us on Instagram, we are sharing a lot on our stories, with Instagram exclusive content too!

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Early Years



In Catkin class this we have been very busy using what we have learnt during our daily phonics to write CVC words. We have also been practicing holding our pens correctly and practicing our letter formation. Just look how amazing our work is!

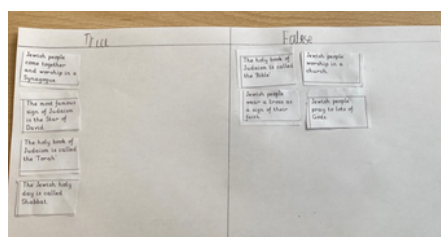
Year 1 have been learning about Christianity this week. The children went to our local church "Our Lady of Angels", where Brother Mathew was very kind and showed us around the beautiful church.

The children discovered what you would find in a church and how Christian's worship god. They also discovered why you would find stain glass windows, and how they tell a story through pictures.

Year One



Year Two



As part of RE week, children in year 2 have been learning about Judaism. Children have been comparing what they already know about Christianity and what they have learnt about Judaism. They have looked at similarities and difference and found out that even though we all believe different things, we can all still be friends.

This week in Year 3, we have been consolidating our RE learning by thinking and talking about what different people believe about God. We have considered the similarities and differences between the beliefs and practices of Islam, Hinduism and Christianity, and how different faiths are represented through artistic expression. Finally, we have looked at how we can all appreciate and respect the various belief systems that exist in our diverse community and beyond.

Year Three



Year Four



This week Year 4 are learning about the core beliefs of Hinduism. We have focused on the different gods and goddess and what they are responsible for. We also learnt how Hindus show that they care for one another and the aims of Purusharthas.

This week the children have been finishing their tudor house art in preparation for their beautiful publishing wall. They have been comparing calculations and doing the inverse in maths using counters to help them, as well as practising their timestables. The children have been learning about christianity in R.E, and comparing it to different religions. They have also made connections to other areas of their learning such as History during this. They have created a presentation which they will share with their peers at the end of the week.

Year Five



Recently in Elder class, we have been trialling a new piece of software to help us with our reading. The software is able to track how we read and answer questions. It takes this information and then makes the reading a bit easier or a bit harder, until it gets it just right. Later we will be able to score "combos" and earn points to use as we read more. We have enjoyed using it to practice our reading and a lot of us have been scoring over 80%, if not 100% as we have been finding our level.

Year Six



Safeguarding (Mrs Beale)

Online safety applies to all children not just those in Key Stage 2 . Why not take a look at Digiduck Stories
A collection of five stories created to help parents and teachers educate children aged 3–7 about online safety, with accompanying teaching activities.

[Digiduck Stories](#) | [Childnet](#)



Coming up...

We are back to school at 8.35am on Monday 30th October 2023

APPLY NOW



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>



If you are unable to access the Arbor app, please speak to the front office.

BIRTHDAYS

Bibika, Shelby, Taysia, Toby, Chris, Freddie-George, Dante, Chelsea, Finley, Mankirat, Gurkirat, Blair, Isaac, Joshua, Athrav, Xavier, Holly, Samin, Greyson, Hudson, Albie J, Leea, Emily.



We are looking forward to raising money for Children in Need next half term, More information will come, but in preparation we are allowing pupils to wear Pudsey/Blush clothing or brightly coloured clothes.



A T T E N D A N C E

Class	16.10
Bluebells	93.8%
Saplings	95.2%
Catkins	97.2%
Hawthorn	85.4%
Aspen	93.8%
Nettle	91.0%
Elm	96.8%
Rowan	89.5%

London Plane	93.6%
Mountain Ash	93.7%
Silver Birch	95.0%
Spruce	94.8%
Maple	99.1%
Whitebeam	95.9%
Linden	98.4%
Pine	98.4%
Beech	98.3%
Elder	89.5%
Oak	92.9%
Cedar	90.7%
Whole School	94.1

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 nhpooffice@watschools.org.uk
or call 01322 334 638
Thank you