

# Northgate Primary School Newsletter

July 7th 2017

#### **Headteacher's News**

The National assessments results for Year Six were published this week. I am delighted to announce that our combined score for reading, writing and maths was 86%, which is 25% above the National figure. I am very proud of the children, who have worked extremely hard and my thanks to all the staff and parents who helped the children achieve this fantastic result.

The talents of our children are not just academic! I was really impressed with the tremendous performance of Year 5 and Year 6 in their annual production at Rhodes. Thanks to the parents for your support, particularly with purchasing the costumes. The children did look fantastic!

Our children have had the opportunity to shine with their sporting talents today with our fantastic Sports Day. We hope you enjoyed the event and thanks to Miss Freeman for organising such a amazing day!

You should have received your children's school report yesterday with end of Key Stage data, plus the Year 1 phonics scores. There is a slip to return to show you have received the report and to add your comments which the SLT will review. We value your opinions. The teachers have spent a long time summarising your child's strengths and what their next steps are. If you have any questions regarding the report, the teachers will be available next Wednesday after school for a consultation to discuss your queries. Please ring the school office before the end of Tuesday and they will arrange a time for you.

We are busy preparing for next year. Information about classes next year will be sent out at the start of next week. Children will be able to meet their new teachers on Thursday, plus the current Year 2s and Year 4s will have other opportunities to start working as a new class. Year 6 will be visiting their new schools on Thursday.

# **Sporting Opportunities**

Sports Day 2017





Well done to the Vikings for winning the House cup!

## **Important Dates**

Mon 10th July
Tues 11th July
Wed 12th July
Thurs 13th July

Reserve Sports Day
Yr 1 Trip Hatfield Forest
Takeover Day
11.00am Parent Tour
Parent Consultations
Secondary Transfer Day Move up Morning

Thurs 13th July 2.45pm Year 1 work sharing Fri 14th July 3.00pm Year 3 work sharing (please note date change)

(please note date change Fri 14th July Leavers' Disco

Mon 17th July Year 6 Trip Thetford Forest
Mon 17th July Year 2 Trip Colchester Zoo
Tues 18th July 2.45pm Year 2 work sharing
Tues 18th July Year 4 Trip Stansted

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 swimming gala Thurs 20th July 9.05 am Year 6 Leavers'

Assembly

Mountfitchet

Thurs 20th July 10.00am Year 6 work sharing

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> July End of Term 2.00pm

Thurs 31st Aug Inset day
Fri 1st Sept Inset day

Mon 4th Sept 1st Day of Autumn Term

Fri 20th Oct Inset day 23rd-27th Oct Half term

20th Dec-2nd Jan Christmas holiday

12th Feb-16th Feb Half term 19th Feb Inset Day

29th Mar Break up for Easter

4th June Inset Day

20th Jul 2018 Break up for Summer 2018

## **Safeguarding**

Online abuse affects many children and young people every day. Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) has helped thousands of people in need of support. Please visit their very useful website at <a href="https://ceop.police.uk/safety-centre">https://ceop.police.uk/safety-centre</a> The website has information for both adults and children.

## **Enriching the Curriculum**

## Years 5/6 Production at the Rhodes Centre

Our Years 5 and 6 put on a fantastic performance of "What a Knight" at the Rhodes Centre this week. The performances were thoroughly enjoyed by pupils, parents and staff and a fantastic time was had by all.

Photographs of the show are now being displayed in the school's reception area and can be ordered for £2 per print. Order forms are available at the school office and must be returned by **Friday 14th July**. Please make cheques payable to "Northgate Primary School".

#### Cricket

On Thursday 6th July two teams from Northgate (A & B) took part in a cricket match against Little Hallingbury. As it was the semi-final, the result of the A team match decided whether they made it through to the final or not. After a close match the B team finished with a total score of 148 runs, beating Little Hallingbury by 22. Several fours, sixes and wickets later, the A team's results came in: Little Hallingbury 116, Northgate 158. We had won and were through to the finals.

#### **Foundation**

If any parents can spare an hour of their time next week to help in class it would be greatly appreciated. Please let the class teacher know. Thank you

#### KS<sub>1</sub>

#### Reception—Year 1 Transition Meeting

All Reception parents/guardians are welcome to come to school on Monday, 10th July for a transition meeting. This will be an opportunity to meet the teachers and find out more about Year 1 and how to prepare for the new year. We hope to see you all there.

To support transition from reception, KS1 are trying to increase certain resources. If you have any good quality dressing up clothes, maths or English based puzzles/games and/or scooters that you no longer need, all donations will be gratefully received.

#### Year 1 Guided Reading

There will be NO guided reading for Year 1 next week. Thank you

#### **Updates**

## Reports

If you have parental responsibility and have not received a copy of your child's report, please contact the school office.

## Price increases

We have had to increase the cost of school lunches by 5p a lunch as from September 2017 so they cost £2.40 per day. This is due to HCC increases.

#### **Community News**

#### Bishop's Stortford Lawn Tennis Club Open Day

Please see the attached flyer promoting the annual Bishop's Stortford Lawn Tennis Club Open Day, which takes place this coming Sunday, 9th July from 12 to 5pm.

#### **Celebration of Achievements**

This week's stars of the week in Foundation Stage

were:

Nursery: Brandon & Monty Reception: (R1) - Melina (R2) - Ralf

This week our 'Learner of the Week' focused on Effective Participants.

Our Star Learners were praised by their class teachers for being effective participants.

#### Well done to:

Class 1: Luke Shaw
Class 7: Sam Ronco
Class 2: Tilly McEnery
Class 3: Jack Cope
Class 4: Ryan Cope
Class 5: Oscar Watts
Class 5: Harry Newman
Class 12: Whole class
Class 6: Harry Newman
Class 12: Whole class
Class 15: Whole class
Class 16: Whole class
Class 17: Whole class
Class 18: Whole class

#### Reminders

#### **Work Sharing Next Week**

R1 - Tues 11th July at 2.45pm Year 1- Thurs 13th July at 2.45pm Year 3 - Fri 14th July at 3.00pm

#### School Uniform

Anyone wishing to order school uniform from Fosters for September, please start placing your orders now.

# Last Day of Term 2017

The last day of term is Friday 21st July and school finishes at 2pm.

## Start of Autumn Term 2017

The first day of the Autumn term starts on 4th September 2017 when most children will return to school. New children starting in Nursery and Reception classes have been advised of their individual start dates and sessions.

## **Northgate Association**

# BBQ & Bounce

Thank you to our Northgate association for organising today's BBQ & Bounce—3.20pm to 6.45/7.00pm.

Please enjoy the event and help to support the association in raising funds for your child's school.