

Northgate Primary School Newsletter

December 20th 2019

Headteacher's News

It has been a mad, festive week. Thank you to the PTA for funding the KS1 and the KS2 pantomimes. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves! The children also relished their Christmas lunches at the start of the week. Thank you to all of our fantastic kitchen staff for the wonderful meals and to the PTA for their help.

Well done to KS2 for the wonderful Carol Service at St Michael's Church yesterday. It was a magical way to share the Christmas story through music and poems.

Congratulations to the Saxons for winning the inter-house sports competition last Friday and to the Normans for winning this term's house competition.

We are extremely sad to say goodbye to the Class 7 teachers today. Mrs Gavin has been a committed Northgate teacher for many years and has taken on many roles in the school, and Mr Doolan has worked hard with the class over the last term. We are also saying goodbye to Mrs Wilson and Mrs Eaton, two of our TAs. All the staff will be sadly missed and we wish them all the best in their future ventures. We have been delighted to welcome back Mrs Reed after a period of sickness. She has reduced her days and swapped her role. I am delighted to announce that Mrs Leeks will now be taking on the role of Pastoral Leader in the school.

I would like to wish everyone at Northgate a very Happy Christmas and to thank everyone for their support during this school year.

Reminders and Updates

A Note from the Governors

We would like to extend our thanks to all the wonderful staff and parents for their continued hard work and support over the last year. We wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you in 2020.

Guided Reading

Guided reading will resume on **Tuesday, 14th January**. We would like to say a very big thank you to all of our helpers, you are greatly appreciated. A safeguarding session will be run on Monday 13th January for all volunteers that were unable to attend in September.

Lost Property

If you have lost anything, please check in the boxes in the main school reception as they will be emptied at the end of school today.

ComputerXplorers

Computer Xplorers will be running a new club for Years 4-6 in January. Please find a booking form with more details attached.

School Lunches

Just a reminder that payment for school lunches should be made in advance on School Gateway. As a reminder, the costs for the first half of the Spring Term are as follows:

Every Day: £78.00

Per Week: £13.00

Per Day: £2.60

Don't forget to pre-book your child's lunch on School Grid for the next half term.

Important Dates

Mon 6th Jan	Children Return to School
Weds 8th Jan	2.50pm Class 7 Meet the Teacher
Mon 13th Jan	9am Volunteer Safeguarding Session
Weds 15th Jan	2.15pm SENCO Parent Workshop
Weds 15th Jan	2.50pm Class 9 Meet the Teacher
Tues 28th Jan	2.50pm Maths Games in EYFS
Wed 29th Jan	2.50pm Maths Games UKS2
Thurs 30th Jan	2.50pm Maths Games KS1
Fri 31st Jan	2.50pm Maths Games LKS2
Fri 7th Feb	School Discos KS1 5pm, KS2 6.45pm
17th-21st Feb	Half Term
Mon 24th Feb	INSET DAY
Tues 25th Feb	Children Return to School
Fri 3rd April	End of Term at 2.00pm
Mon 20th April	Children Return to School
May 2020	Yr 2 SATs
Fri 8th May	Bank Holiday (moved for VE day)
11th-15th May	Yr 6 SAT's week
25th-29th May	Half Term
Mon 1st June	INSET DAY
Tues 2nd June	Children Return to School
8th-12th June	Year 6 School Journey
8th-12th June	Yr 1 Phonics Week
8th-26th June	Yr 4 Times Tables Tests
Tues 21st July	End of Term at 2.00pm

*Red = New Item / Change to Item

Celebration of Achievements

Well done to this week's stars of the week:

Nursery AM: Florence M R1: Matty
PM: Charlotte R2: Julien

Class 1: Ella	Class 7: Eva
Class 2: Finley	Class 8: Alfie
Class 3: Anton	Class 9: Will
Class 4: Jack J	Class 10: Casey
Class 5: Hollie	Class 11: Emily
Class 6: Jack S	Class 12: Rosie

Congratulations to our Excellence Award winners for this term:

Nursery AM: Alfie R1: Denise
PM: Denise R2: Lilian

Class 1: Aditi	Class 7: Saffron
Class 2: Daniel	Class 8: Megan W
Class 3: Holly	Class 9: Megan S
Class 4: Niamh	Class 10: Jack C
Class 5: Ivan	Class 11: Adam
Class 6: Ewan	Class 12: Ariana