

# Northgate Primary School

## Newsletter

May 13th 2022

### Headteacher's News

Well done to the Year Six, who completed their SATs this week. They worked extremely hard and we were proud of their positive attitude. Thanks to the staff for providing the breakfasts. The year 6 children will focus on their writing, results of which are submitted to the DFE towards the end of next month. The results will be given to parents in July along with their reports. Year 2 have started their 'quizzes'. In year 2 the final level given to the children is a teacher assessment based on the combination of how they have performed in recent class work and how they performed in the written assessments.

Congratulations to Mrs Gitto who is expecting her second child. She will be starting her maternity leave in September.

We have several exciting events in the next few weeks. We look forward to our year 5 instrumental concert next Thursday. Year 5 parents are welcome - the concert will start at 2.40pm.

We are in the planning stage of our exciting whole school party for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Please see the next side about details of our party.

Have a lovely weekend!

### Pupil news

#### Litter picking

Daisy, Anya & Alexandra from class 8 were among many students this week volunteering to litter pick in the playground at lunch. Thank you to all the children that continue to help!



#### Woodwind concert

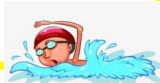
The Bishop Stortford Woodwind Band came into school on Thursday and entertained the lower KS2 children. Thank you to them for a wonderful concert.



### Charity Swimathon

So far the total raised for the Charity Swimathon at the Grange Paddocks pool is an amazing £5,283.00. All the children worked so hard, completing 40 lengths each!

Thank you for your support. If you would like to donate there is still time **please click [here](#)**. All money raised by the Swimathon 2022 goes to **Cancer Research UK and Marie Curie**.



### Important Dates - 2021/22

#### May 2022

##### 9th-12th May

Thurs 19th May

Thurs 19th May

Fri 20th May

Thurs 26th May

**Thurs 26th May**

Fri 27th May

30th May-3rd Jun

##### **Mon 6th June**

Thurs 9th June

**Fri 10th June**

Tues 14th June

Thurs 16th June

Fri 17th June

W/cm 7th June

7th-10th June

7th-24th June

Sat 11th June

W/cm 13th June

Thurs 16th June

20th to 24th June

Weds 22nd June

Thurs 30th June

Mon 4th July

Tues 5th July

Weds 6th July

Fri 8th July

W/cm 11th July

Thurs 14th July

Mon 18th July

W/cm 18th July

Tues 19th July

Thurs 21st July End of Term at **2.00pm**

##### **1st-2nd Sept**

##### **Monday 5th Sept**

**\*Red = New Item / Change to Item**

#### Year 2 SATs

#### Year 6 SATs week

Year 5 Instrumental Concert

Crucial Crew (St James' Church)

PTA Film Night

Year 6 Instrumental Concert

**Curry Night at the Wheatsheaf Pub**

Queen's Jubilee Lunch

(wear red, white and blue)

May Half Term

#### **INSET DAY**

Year 4 Instrumental Concert

**Non Uniform day (in exchange for a bottle for the Summer Fayre Tombola)**

9am - Year 1 and 2 Reading with Parents

9am - Year 5 and 6 Reading with Parents

9am - Year 3 and 4 Reading with Parents

Friendship Week (revised date)

Year 1 Phonics Week

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

PTA Summer Fayre

Father's Day Shop

Year 3 Instrumental Concert

Year 6 School Journey

Year 1 - Paradise Wildlife Park

Happy School Bag Collection

Year 5/6 Rehearsal at Theatre

Year 5/6 End of Year Performance

Provisional Year 3 - Celtic Harmony Trip

Sports Day

International Week

Move Up Day

Art Day

PTA Ice Cream Sales

Take Over Day

#### **INSET DAYS**

**Children Return to School**

### Safeguarding

#### Setting up Parental Controls

Please see attached the Online Safety Parents Newsletter from Herts for Learning. In it you will find many interesting links for articles on a variety of subjects for parents. One link is a guide from the NSPCC on setting up parental controls on apps and games, so you can block and filter upsetting or inappropriate content. It is well worth taking a look.





## Queen's Platinum Jubilee School

### Lunch and Tea Party

On Friday 27th May 2022 Years 1—6, reception and the afternoon nursery children will be having a Jubilee celebration at school. Please note that the morning nursery children will celebrate on the morning of Wednesday 25th May 2022, so they can wear red, white and blue on that Wednesday and Friday!

There will be a special lunch. Please see the three option lunch menu attached, we need choices no later than Monday 23rd May 2022, thank you.

The children will also be having an 'Afternoon Tea Party' outside (weather permitting!) which will include games and party food. Each class will be making food to share, however we are asking children in years 1—6 to bring for themselves in two items of party food each e.g. a small cake or biscuit, a piece of fruit, small bag of crisps etc. and a small carton/bottle of drink in a small labelled throw away (preferably recyclable) box or bag. **Please be mindful of allergies so no food containing nuts and no sweets, chocolates or fizzy drinks.** Nursery and Reception will have food provided from their Happy Snack fund.

Everyone is asked to wear red, white and blue that day instead of uniform, which can include colourful hair and nails, but no jewellery or healed shoes due to the sports activities.

Our children will be designing bunting for our celebrations but the town council are also asking for children to make bunting flags. More information will follow shortly.

We all hope to have a really fun afternoon to mark this special occasion.

### Reminders and Updates

As the weather is very changeable at the moment. Please ensure your child has a raincoat in their school bag for damp conditions, thank you.



### Celebration of Achievements

This week's stars of the week were:

Nursery: Jasper

R1: Ettie

R2: Charlie

This week our 'Learner of the Week' focused on Scientist

Our Star Learners were praised by their class teachers for their work, including fantastic scientific explanations with high level scientific language and showing great teamwork skills when investigating.. Well done to:

Class 1: Issy

Class 7: Jackson

Class 2: Olivia

Class 8: Millie

Class 3: Felix

Class 9: Emily

Class 4: Leo

Class 10: Sakeena

Class 5: Ria

Class 11: Dylan

Class 6: Aditi

Class 12: Alfie

### Parking

The school have been contacted with a complaint regarding irresponsible parking in a neighbouring road. Please make sure there is enough room for emergency vehicles and delivery trucks to get past your parked car.

### Northgate School Association



#### Film Night

Thank you to those of you who have already booked tickets for the Film Night on Friday 20th May 2022.

To book tickets, please click on the link [here](#). **Ticket sales close on the 16th May 2022.**

#### Curry & Quiz Night

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 26th May 2022 for our PTA Curry and Quiz night. Don't forget, there is a bottle of bubbly to be won! A huge thank you to Michelle at the Wheatsheaf for partnering with us.



**Date:** 26th May 2022

**Time:** 7pm

**Location:** Wheatsheaf Public House,  
28 Northgate End, CM23 2EU



#### Summer Fayre

The first request for volunteers has been sent out last week via class reps, with a sneak peek into the theme of the Fayre. We would like to get volunteer representation from all years groups Nursery - Year 6. Further communications to follow via class reps, but for now, please submit your interest via our Parent Survey below.

#### Can you help?

If you are able to bake or buy for our cake stall, please contact us on [ptanorthgate@gmail.com](mailto:ptanorthgate@gmail.com).

If you have a Gazebo you can lend us for the day and support the set up and pack away, please contact us on [ptanorthgate@gmail.com](mailto:ptanorthgate@gmail.com).

If your children would like to enter the **Dog Show** please complete the survey [here](#).

**Entries must be in, on or before Friday 20th May 2022. Due to the cost of purchasing awards, we are unable to offer on the day entries.**

**The PTA is unable to run events for your children without volunteers. If we do not get enough volunteers, we may have no option but to cancel our planned events. We don't want to do that!**

Please please please sign up to volunteer [here](#), so that we can organise some wonderful events for your children.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Best wishes, Geri Wren and Jo Parrott

Your Northgate PTA Co-Chairs

