

# Northgate Primary School

## Newsletter

October 5th 2018

### Headteacher's News

The Governing Body are a key part of the leadership team. And work closely with the SLT. Please see the message below from Sarah Cran, our Chair of Governors, if you are interested in becoming involved .

The Governing Body at Northgate are constantly striving to be the best team we can be. We consider issues such as setting the school vision, scrutinising educational outcomes and mitigating financial risk. Governors are also involved in the school community, acting as critical friends to the Headteacher and senior leaders.

Governors bring a wide range of skills and expertise from their professional lives to the governing board and schools benefit greatly from working with skilled volunteers. A governor does not need a background in education to help transform the running of a school. We are currently looking to recruit some new governors with specific skills so if you, or someone you know has skills in data analysis, finance or experience in compliance / risk, and are able to commit time to attend meetings (approximately 4-6 per term) as well as be involved in the school community, then please do get in touch with Louise Taub our clerk for further information.

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#### Sarah Cran Chair of Governors

I hope parents found the year 3/4 maths session after school useful. If you would like to give feedback on the parts you found helpful and bits that were less useful please email on [interact@northgate.herts.sch.uk](mailto:interact@northgate.herts.sch.uk) Have a good weekend.

### Harvest

Next week we will be celebrating Harvest and as part of that celebration, we will be collecting donations for the Bishop's Stortford Foodbank. Please see the attached list for required items. If you would like to donate, please send your child in with their item to take to their classroom. We will be displaying all the donations in the hall for the harvest assemblies. **Urgently needed items are men's shaving foam and deodorant for men and women.**

In addition to this, we will also be collecting sachets of cat food (non-fishy) for a local hedgehog charity (Herts Hogline). If you would like to support this cause, please drop a sachet of cat food into the school office.

#### Our Harvest Assemblies

##### Nursery:

11.15am on **Tuesday, 9th October** - Harvest Assembly (with parents)

**EYFS (Reception and Nursery):**

2.50pm on **Wednesday, 10th October** - Harvest Assembly (with parents)

**KS1 (classes 1-4):**

9.00am on **Thursday, 11th October** - Harvest Assembly (with parents)

**KS2 (classes 5-12):**

2.45pm on **Thursday, 11th October** - Harvest Assembly (NO parents)

### Important Dates

Mon 8th Oct	Yr 5 Imperial War Museum Trip
Tues 9th Oct	Nursery Harvest Songs with parents
Wed 10th Oct	9.30am Potential Parent Tour
Wed 10th Oct	2.50pm EYFS Harvest Assembly (with parents)
Thurs 11th Oct	9.00am KS1 Harvest Assembly (with parents)
Thurs 11th Oct	2.45pm KS2 Harvest Assembly (no parents)
Thurs 11th Oct	6.45-8pm Yrs 5 & 6 Maths & English with parents
Fri 19th Oct	School Discos
	5.00-6.15pm EYFS & KS1
	6.45-8.00pm KS2
Tues 23rd Oct	Individual School Photos
<b>Wed 24th Oct</b>	<b>Reception-Year 5 Flu Immunisation</b>
Wed 24th Oct	Nursery phonics with parents
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Thurs 25th Oct	9.30am Potential Parent Tour
25th/26th Oct	Black History Day
Half term	29th Oct - 2nd Nov 2019
Fri 2nd Nov	Association Fireworks Night
Mon 5th Nov	INSET DAY
Tues 6th Nov	Children Return to School
Tues 6th Nov	Year 2 Pirate Day
Wed 14th Nov	2.45pm Yr 2 Spelling & Phonics
Thurs 15th Nov	2.45pm Yr 1 Spelling & Phonics
Tues 4th Dec	10am and 2pm Nursery/Little Ladybirds Xmas Concert
Thurs 6th Dec	2pm Reception Xmas Concert
Sat 8th Dec	Christmas Market
Fri 21st Dec	Term Ends at 2.00pm
Mon 7th Jan 19	Children Return to School
Half Term	18th - 22nd Feb 19
Mon 25th Feb 19	INSET DAY
Tues 26th Feb 19	Children Return to School
Fri 5th Apr 19	Term Ends at 2.00pm
Tues 23rd Apr 19	Children Return to School
Half term	27th - 31st May 2019
Mon 3rd Jun 19	INSET DAY
Tues 4th Jun 19	Children Return to School
Sat 9th Jun 19	Association Summer Ball
Tues 23rd July 19	End of Term at 2.00pm
Wed 24th July 19	Occasional Day

\*Red = New Item

### Safeguarding

For safeguarding reasons, please DO NOT park on the zig zag lines outside school.

Thank you

## Years 5/6 Maths and English Workshops

We will be holding Maths and English workshops at 6.45pm-8.00pm on Thursday, 11th October. The workshops are as follows:

Reading	Miss Hathaway
Grammar	Mrs Crumpler
Long Division	Mrs Clynes
+ and - Fractions	Miss Greaves
÷ and x Fractions	Mrs Tanner
SATs Paper Information	Mrs Gitto

### School Council

Congratulations to all the children who were elected to School Council this year. They all gave wonderful speeches and are looking forward to contributing all their ideas to the school community. Our councillors this year are:

**Executive Council:** Chloe and Fraser (class 12), Poppy and Finn W (class 11)

**Class Council:** Grace and Griff (class 3), Mac and Kiki (class 4), Alfie and Gabriella (class 5), Finley and Megan (class 6), Ryan and Ruby (class 7), Katherine and Zac (class 8), Tom and Daisy (class 9), Ethan and Liberty (class 10), Toby and Rae (class 11), Robert and Marcy (class 12)

## **Enriching the Curriculum**

### Football

On Friday, 29th September Northgate played Summercroft. In one match, Northgate got off to a flying start when William scored the first goal and not long after Huey assisted Lachlan to score the second goal from a corner. Just before half time 2 more goals were scored to make it 4-0. The second half was underway when Summercroft scored, however some great saves were made by Andrei and Max assisted Toby for another fantastic goal, bringing the score to 5-1. With 5 minutes left, Summercroft snatched a second goal, making it 5-2. The 2 men of the match were **Ethan and Andrei** for some excellent saves in goal...**Huey and Max** (class 12)

In the other match, Northgate opened with 2 brilliant goals from Isaac to secure a comfortable lead. Jack tapped the ball in to get our 3rd goal. Isaac made sure we ended the first half in style and scored a wonderful goal just seconds before the whistle blew. In the 2nd half Fraser put a stop to any shots from Summercroft and Charlie dribbled past 3 defenders to get our 5th goal. Archie then scored 2 more goals. A second goal from Charlie then finished off the game 8-0. Man of the match goes to Isaac for his brilliant goals to get a hat trick...**Evan and Isaac** (classes 11 and 12)

### Football Kit Cake Sale

After school next Friday, 12th October the football parents will be running a cake sale to raise money to replace the missing football kit. If you have any old school football kit at home, please return it to the school office.

## **School Association**

### School Disco

Disco news: the hot food choices will be hot dogs or cheese & tomato pizza, both with chips. Priced at £2 per person. Please pre-order when buying your tickets.

A big shout out to the 4 people who have volunteered to help out so far - don't be shy, we need you and it really is a lot of fun.

You can sign up here: [School Disco October 19th 2018 Survey](#)

## **Celebration of Achievements**

This week's stars of the week were:

Nursery AM: Dylan	R1: Lulu
PM: Lucy	R2: Daniel

This week our 'Learner of the Week' focused on Science.

Our Star Learners were praised by their class teachers for asking curious questions, investigative skills and general enthusiasm.

Well done to:

Class 1: Jackson	Class 7: Jasper
Class 2: Archie W	Class 8: Erin
Class 3: Jasper	Class 9: Tristan
Class 4: Aaron	Class 10: Evangelene
Class 5: Felix	Class 11: Evie
Class 6: Dylan	Class 12: Abby

Our **Teamwork Tigers** this week were praised for working well together to produce some excellent music. These included Max Q and Callum (class 12).

Our house point winners this week were the **Romans**.

## **Reminders and Updates**

### Plastic Milk Bottle Tops

We are collecting green and red plastic milk bottle tops. Please could you bring them into the school office. Thank you

### Parking

For those who park in the tennis club, do not park on the grass at any time. Thank you

### School Photos

Individual school photos will be taken on Tuesday, 23rd October.

### Reception - Year 5 Flu Immunisation

Flu immunisation will take place on Wednesday, 24th October. If you have not already done so please return your consent forms to the school office.

## **Community**

### Stortford Fields

Newman Francis have been commissioned by the Developers of Stortford Fields to get people's views and gauge the demand for community facilities. There is designated space for up to two community buildings and other space for community activities. These will be available for all people living and working in Bishop Stortford. They are in the process of asking local people and organisations working with people about what they would like on the development. Please see the attached flyer for further information and to take part in their survey.

### Portuguese Club

There is a club running at St Michael's for children to learn Portuguese and to have the opportunity of developing their knowledge about the language and the culture. Please see the attached flyer for further information.