

Northbourne News



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Message from the Headmaster

The Year 8 pupils have started their Common Entrance exams this week with the French, Spanish and Maths oral exams, well done to them for staying focused throughout. Our sport is going well so far this term with wins in both cricket and rounders. It is also great to see the mixed cricket matches for all the children. Well done to all the children at the informal concert on Friday, I am proud of the number of strong performers across the school and the diversity of music they played.

Scholarship

Congratulations to Ben Castle in Year 8 for being awarded an All-Rounder & Sports Scholarship to Dover College, a fantastic achievement that reflects Ben's commitment and drive over the past two years. Ben is an incredible example of how high our children can reach in the senior part of the school.



Pre-Prep

Our Scarecrow competition saw some wonderful creations on Thursday. The Orchard was filled with them waiting to be judged by the real life farmer Mr Ledger who arrived on a tractor, much to the delight of all of the children!

The Plant sale raised over £150! Thank you so much for your generous donations.

K.I.C Theatre Company spent the day at the Pre-Prep carrying out drama workshops with each class relating to their individual Topics for this term.

Badger Class will host Wednesday Coffee Morning next week. On Thursday, we will be having Welcome to Reception meeting and Badger Class will go to the Prep School for Badger Class Parent Tea.

Pre-Prep Big Breakfast from 8.30am on Friday will be held in the garden, weather permitting. Come and join us for a special start to the day.



NOPAKAASO Uganda Update

Thanks to the generosity of our families we raised nearly £300 at our Christmas Carol concert. This money went towards our school partnership fund, and has helped purchase a new laptop computer for the School Principal at Nopakaaso School in Uganda which is being delivered by a former NPS member of staff, Lizzie Hulton-Harrap, when she visits the school in Uganda next month.

Lizzie set up the school link while working at NPS in 2014, and we have continued to keep in touch with staff and pupils at Nopakaaso. This week NPS pupils have been enjoying writing letters to pupils in Uganda, focusing this time on their concerns for the environment and how they are helping to protect it. We are looking forward to hearing back from the Nopakaaso pupils, with their concerns and hopes on the same topic.



A Comedy of Errors

Year 6 and 7 pupils visited Chilham Castle to see the Globe Theatre production of Shakespeare's "A Comedy of Errors". A fantastic setting to watch Shakespeare and the children enjoyed the quality of the acting and the humour. We even had our photograph taken with the director on the stage. It's certainly worth a visit.



Tickets £5.00

on sale online [here](#)
or the School Office or
Dave White (Railway Swing Band)
07973 761651



THE RAILWAY SWING BAND

in concert with
**The Pupils of
Northbourne Park School**
Wednesday 19th June
7pm



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Boarding

Last weekend the Boarder's enjoyed touring our visitors at Open morning around the school and their houses. We then spent Saturday evening relaxing in houses and Sunday bought us all together for games of Chaos Tag and Hunted! The children enjoyed the chance to play in the woods and show us their dodging skills as they escaped each other in tag! This week we have been working hard in our prep sessions, and enjoying cricket and football on Top Pitch. A few of the children have also taken to the Rubik Cube Challenge! We are looking forward to the long weekend, and are very excited for our trip to Chessington!



Dates for the Diary

WEEK 5

- Mon 20** Year 5 Geography Field Trip
- Tues 21** Children from Roubaix arrive for the French Exchange
- Wed 22** 08.30 Badger Class Coffee Morning
15.30-16.30 Uniform shop open
Boys cricket:
U9 A&B Mixed Kwik Cricket vs Wellesley House (H)
Colts A vs St. Edmund's (H)
1st XI vs Dover College (A)
Girls cricket & rounders:
U9 A&B Mixed Kwik Cricket vs Wellesley House (H)
U11 Pairs Cricket vs Dover College (H)
U13 A&B Kwik Cricket vs Junior King's (A) (1:45 start)
- Thurs 23** 15.45 Badger Class Parents Tea at Prep School
16.15 Welcome to Reception Class
- Fri 24** 08.30 Pre-Prep Big Breakfast
Roubaix children depart
16.30 **No Prep. Half term begins**
Accompanied travel to Paris and London for boarders
- WEEK 6** School Holidays

PLEASE NOTE: The weekend of the 22nd and 23rd June would normally be a working weekend (Saturday school) but is **now non-working**. The following weekend, the 29th and 30th June will be a working weekend with Sports Day and the senior

