

Northbourne News



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Issue 1

Message from the Headmaster

A warm welcome to everyone at the start of this new year. I have been so pleased with how quickly the new children, day and boarders, have settled in and already making superb contributions to life at school. I'd also like to welcome our new staff, Mrs McGeoch, Head of Science, Mrs Meadows, Accounts Assistant, Mr Banks and Mr Callesen, our Graduate Gaps. With many exciting events happening this term, I look forward to catching up with you all.

Finally I'd like to express my thanks for your messages of condolence which I have passed on to the Northbourne family, they are very touched.



Thanks to your generosity last year we provided over 140 kg of donations to the local Foodbank. We would very much like to continue with this initiative so Foodbank boxes are at the front of the Pre-Prep and Prep School.

Pre-Prep

The Autumn Term has got off to a great start at the Pre-Prep. Thank you to all those who came along to our Parent's Tea last week it was lovely to see so many of you there to start the term.

This week the children have been settling back into school life. On Thursday, we had Ian from K.I.C Theatre taking drama workshops with each class. Each workshop was based around the class topics for this term. The children really enjoyed taking part and playing a part! We've also enjoyed some fun outdoor lessons, making the most of the beautiful grounds. Next week we have Individual and Class Photographs on Monday, winter uniform please, and Pre-Prep Pirate Day on Thursday. All of the children are invited to come to school dressed as a Pirate. There will be pirate themed activities throughout the day. It's the turn of Hedgehog Class to host Coffee Morning on Wednesday.



Meet the new classes in the Prep School



Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6



6ieme



Year 7



5ieme



Year 8

Olympiad

Congratulations to all the Prep School children for competing so well in last Saturday's Olympiad. This is an annual event that promotes teamwork and team spirit. Congratulations to Nelson House for being this year's winners.



Boarding

The boarders have been busy starting off the term really well! We have made the most of the dry weather with games of continuous cricket and skipping on Top Pitch. This week we have begun our Boarding clubs with indoor hockey, pimp my room and non-cook cookery club! We are excited to begin our first long weekend with a trip to the Beach and maybe an ice cream! Happy weekend to all!



New friendships

It is wonderful to see so many of the children already making new friendships regardless of age and language barriers.



Bringing Science to life

Year 7 have got off to a fantastic start in Science with a hands-on experience of studying onion epithelial cells by peeling back the layers and preparing their own slides for the microscope. Next week it's studying cheek cells!



The School Chapel

We started the year with a Church service to give thanks for the holidays and to remember that we are always stronger when we work together as one community. Our Heads of School led the readings with confidence. There are numerous services and events in the Chapel this term, you are always welcome to join us.



Dates for the Diary

WEEK 3

- Mon 16** 09.00 Individual School Photographs
- Tues 17 12.45 Pupil Forum
- Wed 18 08.30 Hedgehog Class Coffee Morning
- 14.15 Boys football U9A vs Dover College (H), Colts A and B vs St. Faiths (A)
- 14.15 Girls hockey U11A vs Dover College (A), U13 A and B vs Dover College (H)
- 15.30-16.30 Prep uniform shop open
- Thurs 19 Pre-Prep Pirate Day
- Year 8 Geography Field Trip
- Fri 20 15.00 Friends' Whole School Harvest Hunt
- Sat 21 14.15 Boys football Colts A and B vs Junior King's (H), 1st XI & 2nd IX vs Junior King's (A)
- 14.15 Girls hockey U13 A&B vs Junior King's (A)
- Sun 22 10.00 Holy Communion