

Northbourne Park News



Friday 4th October 2019

Issue 4

Message from the Headmaster

We've had a fabulous week with lots of exciting Science going on at the Pre-Prep, fieldtrips for the older children and fun time for the boarders at Flip Out.

Well done to the sports teams this week who continue to play some excellent football and hockey. The girls are having a great season so far this term and well done to the Under 9 team for their first competitive match, drawing 1-1. Congratulations to all the children who performed in the Informal Concert, we had a real mix of classical and contemporary music.

Next Friday we have our Harvest Hunt at the Prep School. Everybody is invited and like the Easter Egg Hunt, I am sure it'll be another super example of the community spirit at Northbourne Park. See you then.

Pre-Prep

Science week at the Pre-Prep involved some very exciting scientific activities including "The Great Egg Drop" and Rocket launching. Our Environment day focused on the effects of litter on the environment and growing foods.

Badger Class made Damper bread during Forest School last Friday. Badgers weekly lessons are held in the Leadership woods at the Prep School, this is followed by lunch in the Dining Hall before heading back to Pre-Prep.

The total raised from our MacMillan Cake Sale rose to £182.60, thank you again for your support.

Next week the children will be visiting Sandwich Library as part of National Libraries Week and Badger Class will host Wednesdays Coffee Morning.



Holiday Activity Club

for children aged 3 to 13



We provide a safe and secure, relaxed environment, offering a range of fun activities including arts and crafts, sports, reading and exciting outdoor activities, all run by qualified staff.

There's something for everyone!

Half Term
Holiday
Activities

Places
available.
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Year 8 Geography

Year 8 children enjoyed a sunny day out at St Margaret's at Cliffe collecting data for their Geography fieldwork projects. Their task was to count the number of plants in different levels of light, to test their hypothesis about biodiversity.



Boarding

At the long weekend the boarders enjoyed their bounce at Flip Out and then a little shopping in Canterbury!

We then managed a relaxing day on Sunday with hot chocolate, a movie, some hama bead creations and an energetic game of dodgeball or two!

This week we have enjoyed our evening activities with a spa evening, boarding clubs on Wednesday and managing some time in ICT to play too! We are looking forward to celebrating the Harvest this weekend, and beginning our minion puzzle challenge!



Science

Year 4 children have devised an investigation in Science this week. The children chose to investigate whether the invertebrates in the mown grass were the same as in the senior woods and enjoyed learning how to use quadrats to help their scientific fieldwork.



Year 5 children are learning a variety of methods of separating mixtures. As part of this, they have been introduced to filtration and they showed super teamwork skills while discussing the best way to separate each mixture.

Eco Club

Eco club members have enjoyed making paper bunting out of upcycled comic books.



Dates for the Diary

OCTOBER

- Sat 5 09.30-12.30 Open Morning
Boys football: Colts A and B vs Wellesley House (H)
Girls hockey: U9A vs Wellesley House (H), U11A vs Wellesley House (H)
- Sun 6 10.00 Harvest Festival
- WEEK 6 Review Week**
- Mon 7 Year 3 History Trip to Dover Museum
18.00 Year 3 Parents' Evening
- Tues 8 Pre-Prep visit Sandwich Library
- Wed 9 08.30 Badger Class Coffee Morning
15.30 Prep uniform shop open
Boys football: Colts A&B v St. Edmund's (H), 1st XI & 2nd IX v St. Edmund's (A)
Girls hockey: U11 A&B v Junior Kings (A) (2pm start)
U12/13 A & B Duke of York's (H)
- Thurs 10 09.00-15.30 Year 4 Trip to Maidstone History Museum.
16.30 Years 5 & 6 Transition Meeting
- Fri 11 15.30 Friends' Meeting at the Prep School
16.30 No Prep. Long weekend begins