# Northbourne Park News



### Friday 14th May 2021

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### Message from the Headmaster

We have had a very productive week, both in and out of the class-room. On Sunday we welcomed back Father Nigel and held a Holy Communion service for the first time since October. I really want to congratulate the choir and boarders for some beautiful singing. The senior children have completed the first set of Common Entrance exams, cricket is in full swing and the Pre-Prep children have been busy with their scarecrow competition.

A busy time for us all, made better by the amazing grounds of our school. Have a good weekend.



### Pre-Prep

A wonderfully busy week at the Pre-Prep, full of fun, learning and creativity!

All the classes took part in drama workshops with KIC Theatre. Each workshop related to individual class topics. Following on from this, Badger Class recreated Pudding Lane and watched a demonstration to show the rate The Great Fire of London spread through the houses in 1666.

Our Scarecrow competition was a huge success. Thank you for all of your efforts in helping the children with their entries and getting the Scarecrows here!

















### **Humanism - Religious Studies**

Year 6 had the opportunity to plan and role play a Humanist naming ceremony, following their RS lessons learning about Humanism this term.

The naming ceremony included the pupils writing their hopes and wishes for the baby on paper leaves to hang in a

tree.















## Wonderful breaktimes



#### **Outdoor Education**

The children had great fun cooking over their campfires in leadership lessons on Saturday, learning how to make and cook Damper Bread. With the dough wrapped around sticks and toasted over the fires the children enjoyed a delicious taste of the outdoors, resulting in a filling, warming bread.





### **Boarding**

Our boarders have had a fantastic week. On Friday, we started the weekend off with a game of continuous cricket on top pitch before heading back for a quiet evening in houses, prepping for Saturday school. On Saturday, after spending the day in the woods and being active on the sports pitch we had a movie night altogether with a bit of tuck, before doing milk and biscuits. On Sunday, our boarders spent the morning in church, and after did a bit of prep and music practice before heading out to play in the sun. For Mystery Monday, the girls did made their own clothes out of bin bags and had a fashion show, whilst the boys competed in the Boys House Olympics and had fun challenges to complete. On Tuesday, we made the most of the evening sunlight and our boarders played outside, partaking in played cricket and football. Thursday, we celebrated not one, but two birthdays with the boys and girls house having an evening pizza party with cake. NPS also had some exciting new additions this week as one of our chickens became a mother to four new baby chicks which our boarders have loved visiting! We look forward to another great week ahead.













### St Paul KAASO

In December 2019 NPS raised funds through 'sponsoring a coffee bush', to assist St Paul KAASO, our partner school in Uganda, with the creation of an income-generating coffee garden.

Despite the difficulties of the past year, the St Paul KAASO community have successfully

established the coffee





garden, and are now preparing to harvest the first crop of coffee beans from the 1st phase of planting. The smaller plants are part of a 2nd phase. We are delighted to have been able to support this project and look forward to continue working alongside St Paul KAASO in the coming year. Congratulations to Dominic, Head of St Paul KAASO, and his team.

### **Diary Dates**

May WEEK 4

Year 6 Geography Field Trip

Thurs 20 15.00 Virtual Informal Concert (seniors)

16.15 Badger Class Tea at Prep School

Sun 23 10am Holy Communion