

Northbourne Park News



Friday 9th September 2022

Issue 1

Message from the Headmaster

My message this week is two-fold.

Firstly I want to welcome you all back to the new term in particular to all the new families who have joined the school this Autumn. I hope you all had enjoyable holidays with the children. We have had a very good first week back, the children have been so enthusiastic to see their friends, be back in the classroom and make the most of the magic environment of Northbourne Park.

Secondly, we are all saddened by the news of Queen Elizabeth passing away. A figurehead throughout the world for 70 years, the Queen embodied constancy, consistency and loyalty. Over the coming days, we will be commemorating her remarkable life with a service of thanksgiving as well as time for reflection. As a mark of respect, we have postponed tomorrow's Olympiad and Burton Race at the Prep School. I wish you all a restful weekend.



Pre-Prep News

The children have been very excited to be back at school this week and get back into the routine of exciting activities and learning. This year we welcome Mr Latteur as our new Head of foreign languages who has been singing songs in French with the classes. In addition, Mr Lockyer has taken on the music lessons for everyone at the Pre-Prep. We've had Badger class collecting eggs from the chickens and all of the children have been out in the woods. Busy, brilliant times.



Boarding

The boarders have made a great start to the year, making new friends, settling in and playing some fun games in their free time. Boarding is such a fundamental part of Northbourne Park life and we have a great group of children in both Houses this year.



Church Service

On Tuesday we started the new year with a Church Service. The underlying message was the strength of our community and the part that each and every one of us plays in its success.



Cheese and Wine

On Friday 16th September at 6.30 pm we are holding a Cheese and Wine evening for all parents, staff and governors. It is a great occasion at the start of the year to meet socially and get to know others in the community.



Team building

All the senior pupils in Years 7, 8, 6ieme and 5ieme spent a day team building. A great opportunity to get to know each other as well as solving challenges and developing that all important team spirit.



Diary Dates

Mon 12	WEEK 2 09.00 Individual School Photographs
Wed 14	Boys' football: U11A vs Dover College (A), 1st and 2nd XI vs Dover College (H) Girls' hockey: U11 Training session with Dover College (H)
Thurs 15	8.00 Prep School Coffee Morning Year 8 Geography Field Trip
Fri 16	8.30 Hedgehog Class Coffee Morning 16.30 No Prep. Long weekend begins 18.30 Cheese and wine evening for parents, staff and governors