

Northbourne Park News



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Message from the Headmaster

Despite the onslaught of wind and rain, we have had a productive first full week back after the holidays. Academic lessons are in full flow and the Prep School children are training hard in preparation for their first set of netball and rugby matches next week.

A warm welcome to our new Gap Assistants from Australia, Sam Jones and Amelia Browning and also Beth Pennington, our new Graduate Assistant, I'm sure they will be great additions to the team.

Please do check the calendar for the variety of events happening, I look forward to catching up with you during the course of the term.

Have a great weekend.

Joseph

There is a real buzz of enthusiasm amongst the senior pupils as they have embarked on rehearsals for this year's senior production, Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat. Performances will take place on the 22nd and 23rd March.



Pre-Prep

Squirrel and Rabbit classes have been learning all about winter. Rabbit class wrote an amazing book after taking a winter walk and Squirrel class have created amazing winter collages. Hedgehog class will be learning all about Africa and Badger class 'The Great Fire of London'. This week in Science, Badger class investigated the bounciness of balls!

Next week we have a very special 'Dragon Dance' workshop on Tuesday to celebrate Chinese New Year.

On Friday, we will be holding our French Breakfast for Rabbit & Hedgehog classes from 8.20am, in the hall.



Science

The 6ieme pupils have been busy in the Science Lab this week using the bunsen burners.



Friends of Northbourne

Following a very successful Christmas Fair last term, our next Friends of Northbourne meeting will be Monday 16th January at the Prep School at 16:00. Childcare will be provided as well as refreshments. We shall be looking at the terms ahead and planning the annual events we get involved in. We have many fun events ahead of us over the next 6 months, please do pop along for a slice of cake and cup tea and to share any ideas.

Little Princess Trust

We are so proud of Matilda in Year 1 who decided to have some of her hair cut off and donate it to the Little Princess Trust to be made into a wig.



Thank you

Message from Mrs Rees to say a great big thank you for your kindness and generosity at the end of last term. She's planning to use the money to buy a puppy (best not to tell Mr Rees).



Boarding

What a great start to the spring term! Everyone came back from the break with such fantastic stories, and very excited to see one another again. On Saturday we enjoyed our first Saturday school of the term. Sunday our Spanish boarders arrived back and got settled back in and ready for the term. For mystery Monday the girls wrote down things that they love and like about each other, which will be displayed in the GH. The boys house had a paper airplane competition. Tuesday was tuck and electricals. Wednesday we played ball games in the gym. Thursday was tuck and electricals. We have a fantastic weekend planned for our boarders.



Diary Dates

JANUARY WEEK 3

- Mon 16
- Tues 17 Pre-Prep celebrate Chinese New Year
- Wed 18 Rugby: U9A TAG vs Dover College (H)
U11A Triangular @ Spring Grove (H)
1st Team vs Dover College (A)
Netball: U9A and B vs Wellesley HD (H)
U11A and B vs Wellesley HD (A)
U12 and U13 vs Duke of York's (H)
- Thurs 19 U8 TAG and U9 Contact vs Junior King's (H)
- Fri 20 08.20 French Breakfast Rabbit & Badger Classes
- Sat 21 Saturday School
8.30-9.30 Prep Coffee Morning
Rugby: U11A Rugby vs JKS (H), 1st Team vs Junior King's (H)
Netball: U11A and B vs Junior King's (A)
U13A and B Wellesley HD (H)
- Sun 22 Holy Communion