



# Northbourne Park News



Friday 16th September 2022

Issue 2

## Message from the Headmaster

I am so pleased with how the children have settled into their routines, their work, their sport, friendships and more this week. We have had several visits from prospective families who have all remarked on the welcoming, positive atmosphere in our school. On Monday the school will be closed to mark the funeral of Queen Elizabeth. In addition, on Wednesday 21st at 10 a.m. we are holding a whole school service in the Sports Hall at the Prep School. You are very welcome to join us, the service will last approximately half an hour. I wish you all a restful weekend.

## Saturday School

Saturday School at the Prep School is always great fun and very worthwhile. The programme of activities includes building robots, a skyscraper challenge and outdoor activities, all designed to promote teamwork and independent thinking.



## Leaf classification

Year 4 have been busy in Science lessons using the grounds of the school. They used a leaf identification key to name the various trees on site.



## Writing pens

For all of the children in the Prep School, please make sure your child has 2 writing pens at school. Fountain pens and roller ball pens are fine but no biros please.



## Pre-Prep News

At the Pre-Prep this week Badger Class were introduced to their buddies from 5eme. The buddies visit the Pre-Prep once a week to spend time with Badger Class improving their English and becoming friendly faces at the Prep School for our Badgers. Squirrel Class have enjoyed 'home' role play this week including cooking, ironing and looking after baby! Next week we have our Pirate Day on Tuesday. All of the children are invited to come to school dressed as pirates. K.I.C Theatre will also be here engaging the children in pirate themed drama workshops.

We have postponed Quiz Night next week. It will now be on Thursday 6th October.



## Boarding

What a busy week it has been! Our boarders kicked off the weekend with a fun Bingo Night on Friday, followed by a day in the woods and on the sports pitch on Saturday. On Saturday night we played Benchball in the gym and enjoyed a movie night. On Sunday we went off to Church, followed by some time in prep, and then a relaxing afternoon outside. On Monday it was Mystery Monday – The Girls house wrote letters to their future selves to be opened at the end of the year as well as coming up with their dorm phrases or words, and the Boys House had a great time designing some amazing kites! On Tuesday it was Tuck and Electricals, and on Wednesday night we had a School House dinner and after we made the most of the good weather and played a couple games of Benchball outside on the Astro all together before heading back to houses to unwind for the night. On Thursday we had Tuck and Electricals, and good chats with friends and family back home about the week. We're looking forward to another great week ahead!



## Afterschool clubs

Afterschool clubs have got off to a great start with a wide choice, from French Cine Club to Fencing, Board Games Club to Gardening World, something for everyone.



## Cheese and Wine

We have moved the Cheese and Wine evening to Friday 30th September at 6.30 pm. It is a great occasion at the start of the year to meet socially and get to know others in the community. Please do RSVP to Emma in the office.



## Diary Dates

Mon 19	<b>WEEK 3</b>
Tues 20	Pre-Prep Pirate Day & Drama workshops
Wed 21	10.00 Memorial Service for Queen Elizabeth II 14.15 Boys' football: U11A and B vs Wellesley House (H), 1st and 2nd XI vs Wellesley House (A)
Thurs 22	8.00 Prep School Coffee Morning 19.00 Quiz Night at Pre Prep
Fri 23	8.30 Rabbit Class Coffee Morning
Sat 24	Saturday School 14.00 – 19.00 NPS @ Boarding School Show, Paris 14.15 Boys' football: U11A and B vs St. Edmund's (H), 1st and 2nd XI vs Junior King's (H) 14.15 Girls' hockey: U11A and B Junior King's (A), U13A and B vs Junior King's (H)
Sun 25	10.00 Holy Communion