

Northbourne Park News



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Message from the Headmaster

Welcome back to everyone and a very warm welcome to the new families who have joined Northbourne Park School this term.

We have got off to a terrific start this term and we are so thankful to be running our school under normal conditions.

All of the children are enjoying being outdoors with the better weather, playing a variety of sports, their outdoor education and breaktimes. Judging by the photos in this week's newsletter we could not have asked for a happier start to the summer term.

Over the Easter holiday we had more news of successful pupils being recognised by senior schools for their strengths. Congratulations go to Ethel Olaigbe and Noah Orchard, both gaining awards, bringing this year's total to 7 scholarships, a phenomenal achievement.

We have a busy term ahead and I look forward to seeing you at the various events. I wish you all a relaxing Bank Holiday weekend.

Pre-Prep News

We have enjoyed a lovely week back following the Easter break. The children have been full of energy and stories of adventures over the holiday. The class topics for this term are Squirrel Class and Rabbit Classes – Mini Beasts/Planting and Growing, Hedgehog Class – Food Glorious Food and Badger Class - The Great Fire of London. Next Thursday we have workshops with Ian from KIC Theatre, where the topics will be brought to life. Wednesday Clubs for the children to choose from this term are Dance, Drama, Art, Tag Ruby, Woodwork, Board games and Gardening. We have our Plant Sale on 19th May, donations of plants would be greatly appreciated.



Anderson Shelters

The pupils of Year 5 have spent their Easter holiday creating imaginative models of Anderson shelters, as used by the British during World War 2. A wonderful array of design skills are on display. Nearly all models were waterproof, could house a Lego person and could withstand a 1kg weight on its roof. Well done, Year 5!



Boarding

What a great first week back, and start to the term! On Thursday, we hopped around the gardens on the hunt for our Easter Eggs – searching for what the bunny left behind for our boarders and staff. On Friday, we did a few Wacky Races in teams to kick off the weekend. On Saturday, after a day spent in the forest and on the cricket pitch, we all had a lovely time unwinding from all the excitement. We played games outside and both houses then had movie nights in the evening. Sunday morning it was off to church for our boarders, a few had birthday parties to attend, and then an afternoon of free time. For Mystery Monday, the girls played a fun game of Benchball in the gym, while the boys played football on the Astro – a favourite! Tuesday was Tuck & Electricals, and a chance to catch up with friends and family back home about the first few days back. On Wednesday, we enjoyed the sunshine outside and all went up to Top Pitch to play a giant game of “Capture the Flag”, and have a bit of fun outside all together, ending off the week with Tuck and Electricals on Thursday. It has been a busy first week back, and so lovely to see everyone’s smiling faces again! We’re looking forward to a great weekend and week ahead.



Northbourne Park School Quiz Night Thursday 12th May 7pm in the Pre-Prep Hall Teams of 6

Email: preprep@northbournepark.com
to reserve your team table
Places are limited

Please bring your own nibbles
and liquid refreshments!

Year 8 trip to Canterbury Cathedral

On Tuesday, Year 8 enjoyed a peaceful visit to Canterbury Cathedral and breathed in its history in the archives.

After a fascinating talk by the archivist and observing centuries old documents, the class toured the different areas of the cathedral, following in the footsteps of the great and the good, as the guide recounted the history of the monumental building as well as the infamous murder of Archbishop Thomas Becket. A lovely day spent with Year 8.



Diary Dates

MAY		WEEK 3
Mon	2	Bank Holiday, No school for day pupils
Tues	3	U9A, B and C Mixed Kwik Cricket vs St. Faith's (A)
Wed	4	U9A and B Mixed Kwik Cricket vs Dover College (A) U11A Boys and Girls Cricket vs Wellesley House (H) U13 6's Boys Cricket @ Duke of York's
Thurs	5	Whole School Photos Preprep KIC Theatre Workshops
Fri	6	Rabbit Class Coffee Morning
Sat	7	09.30-12.30 Open Morning Yr. 4- Yr. 8 Saturday school U11A Girls Kwik Cricket vs Wellesley House (H) U13A Girls Incredi Cricket vs Wellesley House (H)
Sun	8	10.00 Holy Communion

Teddy Trust Collection

You will have received an email this week about the Teddy Trust Collection. Please help us to support this worthwhile cause for less fortunate children in Ukraine.

