

Northbourne Park News



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Issue 6

Message from the Headmaster

This week has been all about performance. The U11 football team were fabulous in the Primary School Tournament, a range of Prep School children gave excellent performances in the musical concert and the Pre-Prep children performed their Harvest Festival for the first time in two years. I am so proud of all of the children and the effort they have put into this first half of term. I want to thank all of the staff who go above and beyond every day to make our school such a success. My thanks go to you the parents as well for supporting us in all of our endeavours. I wish you all a great half term break

Lantern making

Year 5 and 6 had the pleasure of doing a lantern work shop with Future Foundry in preparation for a lantern procession taking place in Dover on the 20th October. It is starting at 5.45 from Pencester Gardens and finishing at Dover Castle accompanying the giant puppet Amal. Please feel free to join us.



Pre-Prep News

Today we celebrated harvest with two wonderful services. The children all enjoyed taking part and performing in the church. Thank you for joining us in this celebration and for your food donations, these will be passed on to The Deal Area Food Bank. This week Squirrel Class have been rolling clay and leaves to make patterns, Rabbit Class have been learning about number lines, Hedgehog Class have been tasting a range of food for Science and Badger Class have been measuring in Maths. On the first Friday back at school, Rabbit Class will host Coffee Morning.



Football Stars

On Tuesday, we hosted our annual Primary Schools 6 a side football tournament. It was amazing to see all the schools back after last year's festival being cancelled, 11 different schools participating, with a total of 96 boys and girls enjoying a wonderful afternoon of football. Although River Primary eventually went on to win the Cup, huge congratulations go to our NPS U11A team. They did us all proud by making it to the finals of the Cup for the first time in nearly 10 years! A magnificent effort, well done. Kingsdown and Ringwould Primary went on to win the Shield. Thank you to all of the staff and children who were involved, another amazing NPS community event.



Pottery

The children in Pottery Club have been busy creating some wonderful glazed and fired masterpieces.



Boarding

A very good final week to end off the first half term! On Friday we played Bingo and there were lots of prizes to be won. On Saturday we all had some free time and enjoyed the weather after Saturday school on Top Pitch, or relaxing in houses. On Saturday night we had a movie night all together, with hot chocolate and popcorn to celebrate the weekend. Sunday was a day for church, prep, music practice and a big game of Hunted (giant hide and seek). For Mystery Monday we celebrated Cara's birthday and played an array of party games such as musical statues, pop the balloon and a race to see which team could finish their chocolate bar first. We ended off the night with some cupcakes and cake (baked by our residential star baker, Elisa). The rest of the week we have been prepping for our travels home, and on Wednesday night began packing our bags. We are all ready for the half term holidays!



Informal Concert

Congratulations to all the children who performed in the informal concert this week. We clearly have some musical talent in the school and a great range of instruments played. It was wonderful to hear the choir singing too. We still have spaces in the choir particularly for day children so come along and give it a go.



Please support us in supporting our local Foodbank. Donations of tinned and packet foods can be dropped off at either the Pre-Prep or Prep School. Let's do our bit to support the local community. Thank you.

Diary Dates

OCTOBER

WEEK 7

School Holidays

Fri 22 16.00 Half term begins for the Nursery

WEEK 8 School Holidays

NOVEMBER

WEEK 9

Wed 3 Football: U9A vs Dover College (A), U11A and B vs St. Lawrence College (H), 1st and 2nd XI vs Dover College (A)

Thurs 4

Fri 5 08.20 Rabbit Class Coffee Morning

Spelling Bee finale

Sat 6 17.30 Bonfire Party