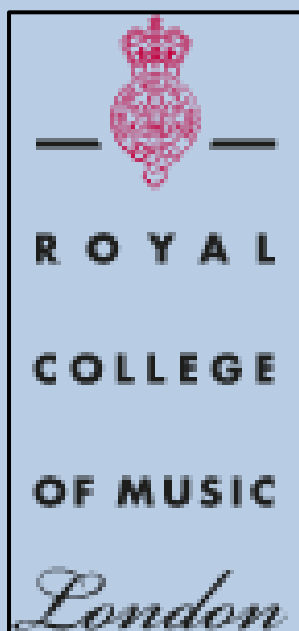


Dear Parents / Carers,



This afternoon, our children were treated to a live music performance! We were joined by a Brass Quintet from The Royal College of Music, along with Phil White, from Bold As, who our Year 5 and 6 cornet players work with regularly.

The children especially loved listening to the quintet playing The Lion King and Blinding Lights by The Weekend, along with learning about the different instruments in the quintet - and were amazed at how low a tuba can go!! Our Year 5 and 6 children were also performers and played two pieces with the quintet accompanying them - a fantastic opportunity for them to play with musicians and be inspired to keep playing! It was a wonderful way to end our week at Northbourne, we are very grateful to Deal Music and Arts for helping us to arrange this.



Number Day 2023



We have had great fun raising money for the NSPCC today by celebrating “Number Day 2023” Thank you to everybody who has donated. At the time of writing this newsletter we have raised £113 in donations. There is still time to donate via the app if you haven’t done so yet. Every £ donated will go straight to the NSPCC to help support the vital work that they do with young people all over the country, including the Childline service and support for children’s mental health.

Here are a few photos of the numbers on show at Northbourne today!



On Friday 10th February we will be supporting Children’s Mental Health week. This is an opportunity for us to shine a spotlight on children and young people’s mental health. By getting involved, we’ll not only be raising important awareness, but also vital funds to ensure every child has easy access to mental health support. This year’s theme for Children’s Mental Health Week is “Let’s Connect.” This will encourage children (and adults) to look at how we can make healthy and meaningful connections.

To help raise funds for Children’s Mental Health Week we would like to invite the pupils and staff to use clothes and colour to express yourself. **Wear your favourite party dress, or your team’s football kit, or whatever outfit you feel best expresses your personality and interests!** We will be collecting donations for Place2Be children’s mental health charity that provides counselling and mental health support and training in UK schools.

Let's Go Escargot

Please remember that Madame Audrey is returning to Northbourne next term to run her Let's Go Escargot French Club. If you would like to book your child into this club please use the contact details on the after school club letter that was sent out this week, or contact Mrs Berridge in the school office.



Mrs Reynolds' French Phrase of the Fortnight



And whilst we're talking about French, Mrs Reynolds' French Phrase of the Fortnight at Northbourne is.....

Looks like Gerald le Giraffe is a bit chilly!

End of Term 3

Please note, Term 3 ends next week, on Friday 10th February. We finish at normal time on Friday and all clubs are running throughout the week as usual, including Dance Fusion with Charli on Friday.

Please make a note of this year's INSET days, where school is closed to pupils

Friday 23rd June
Monday 26th June

INSET DAYS 2023 – 2024

Friday 1st September 2023
Monday 30th October 2023
3 further inset days - dates to be announced