

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

### Half Term – some upcoming site changes

We hope our families, pupils and staff enjoy a well-earned, relaxing Half Term break. Thank you all for your continued hard work and support for the school.

In the first few weeks of June we will be having some work completed near the school gates. The old green mobile classroom and the wooden wellie boot store will be dismantled and cleared. The mobile has been condemned and can no longer be used by staff or pupils. Unfortunately, the wellie store is attached to the mobile so will need to go as well. Please be careful when arriving and leaving school if the contractors are on site.



The children will be getting a brand new wellie boot store, which will be located alongside our garage and workshop buildings, on the right as you come through the gates.

We are looking forward to reclaiming back the plot underneath the mobile and are currently drawing up plans for what we will use it for. Watch this space!

### Pupil-led Collective Worship team – Pentecost



On Thursday, our Pupil-led Collective Worship Team led Collective Worship for the whole school. They talked about Pentecost, showing children a video of what happened in the Bible story, and then acted out some of the scenes to show what it would have been like when the Holy Spirit came at Pentecost. They encouraged everyone to make a noise like the wind, appeared with flames on their heads and all spoke different languages at the same time! They led confidently and everyone listened and joined in well with their assembly!

Well done to our Pupil-led Collective Worship Team!

### Values winners for Term 5

Congratulations to the “values winners” for Term 5. We love celebrating how our school values have been shown across the past weeks, and we are always proud to be able to present certificates and badges to those pupils who have consistently shown those values in all that they do at Northbourne.



You can see a full list of all of our values winners for Term 5 at the end of this newsletter.

### Car Park – Bumps and dents!



It has been brought to our attention that a number of parents and staff have complained about their cars being bumped and dented in the school car park. Please can I remind everyone to park with consideration for others, and to drive slowly and carefully through the car park.

We know how busy it can get and we understand how frustrating it can be when you have to wait for a parking space or when somebody blocks you in. We appreciate accidents will happen, however, we would encourage everybody to be vigilant and cautious when using the car park.

### Friends Of Northbourne quiz night

Thank you to all the parents, staff and friends of the school who came along to the quiz night last week. The Friends of Northbourne raised over £200 from the quiz, which will go towards helping the school fund new resources and pay for trips and experiences.

Thank you to the Friends of Northbourne for organising the evening and for their continued support of the school.

### Big Yellow Friday! (Children’s Liver Disease Foundation) – Fundraising update



You will remember that, shortly before Easter, we supported Hugo with his fundraising for the Children’s Liver Disease Foundation. I am thrilled to announce that **Hugo raised over £1900!**



We are all incredibly proud of his efforts and for showing great charitable values. Well done Hugo!

## Head lice

We still have a number of head lice cases in school. This is perfectly normal and something that happens regularly in school, as I'm sure you can imagine. Please do check your child's hair for any signs of head lice, and treat appropriately.

Please see below the current NHS guidance on head lice:



**Head lice and nits are very common in young children and their families. They do not have anything to do with dirty hair and are picked up by head-to-head contact.**

Head lice can make your head feel:

- itchy
- like something is moving in your hair

The only way to be sure someone has head lice is by finding live lice.

You can do this by combing their hair with a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb). You can buy these online or at pharmacies.

### **How to get rid of head lice**

Treat head lice as soon as you spot them. You can treat head lice without seeing a GP.

You should check everyone in the house and start treating anyone who has head lice on the same day.

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice.

### **Wet combing**

Lice and nits can be removed by wet combing.

### **Medicated lotions and sprays**

If wet combing has not worked or is not suitable, you could try a medicated lotion or spray. These kill head lice in all types of hair, and you can buy them from pharmacies, supermarkets or online.

If lotions or sprays do not work, speak to a pharmacist about other treatments.

### **You cannot prevent head lice**

There's nothing you can do to prevent head lice.

You can help stop them spreading by wet or dry combing regularly to catch them early.

There's no need for children to stay off school.

## Attendance Update

This week's attendance percentages: Week beginning 22.05.23

**Willow**  
**100%**

**Beech**  
**92.6%**

**Maple**  
**96.6%**

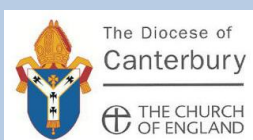
**Hazel**  
**97.3%**

**Oak**  
**96.8%**

**Whole school  
cumulative this  
year  
95.13%**



**1.13% from last  
week**



## End of Term 5 2023 Values Class Winners

### **Inquisitive**

Willow – Henry  
Beech – Robin  
Maple – Brooks  
Hazel – Eve  
Oak – Tabitha

### **Communicative**

Willow – Chloe  
Beech – Archie H  
Maple – Inigo  
Hazel – Eada  
Oak – Jack

### **Collaborative**

Willow – James  
Beech – Amelia  
Maple – Murdo  
Hazel – Ted  
Oak – Monty

### **Resilient**

Willow – Maisie  
Beech – Reggie  
Maple – Gino  
Hazel – Thomas G  
Oak – Freddie

### **Independence**

Willow – Ivy  
Beech – Ophelia  
Maple – Sophie T  
Hazel – Rose  
Oak – Zach

### **Emotionally Intelligent**

Willow – Fred L  
Beech – Charlotte  
Maple – Arthur  
Hazel – Merida  
Oak – Lucy

### **Values Trophy Winners**

EYFS / KS1 - Leo  
KS2 - Poppy

## **INSET Days 2022 - 2023**

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

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June  
Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June

## **INSET DAYS 2023 – 2024**

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

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

## **Summer Term - Dates for your diary**

Some important Summer Term dates for your diaries:

- Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> June – INSET day, school closed to pupils
- Mon 26<sup>th</sup> June – INSET day, school closed to pupils
- Wed 5<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day followed by family picnic lunch
  - Sat 8<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Fair
  - Fri 21<sup>st</sup> July – Last day of term

