



# NORTHBOURNE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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*"if you have faith as small as a mustard seed...nothing will be impossible."*  
(Matthew: 17 v20)

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Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

## Important dates for the Summer Term

- **INSET Days**

Please remember that there are two INSET days coming up, where school is closed to pupils. These two INSET days are: **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June & Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

- **Sports Day & Family picnic lunch**

Sports Day will take place on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July**.

As in previous years, parents are invited to come onto the school field directly after morning drop off and find a spot on one of our benches or the grass. The children will then come out after registration to compete in Sports Day.

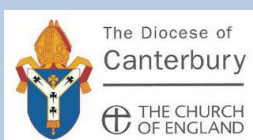
Following the action the pupils will be able to join you for a family picnic. All pupils will be able to order a grab bag lunch from the school kitchen or you are free to bring picnic food for them to enjoy.

After the picnic lunch parents are welcome to take their children home early. If you cannot attend the picnic or are not able to take your child home early, or if your child is due to attend Wrap Around, then pupils will remain in school with staff until the normal end of the school day.

- **Summer Fair**

The Friends of Northbourne Summer Fair will take place on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July**.

We hope you are able to join us for the summer fair!



## School whole class photographs – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June



This coming Wednesday will be whole class photographs. Tempest Photography will group photographs of your child's class and adults.

Please can we ask that all pupils arrive at school on Wednesday in full, smart school uniform, no PE kit please. If your child has PE on Wednesday they will need to bring their kit in a bag. Thank you.

## Breaking News....Alien Spaceship Crash Lands at Northbourne!

This week, Willow class discovered a crashed alien spaceship in their outdoor area! Alongside the wreckage was a letter from friendly aliens Obb and Bob, who needed assistance in building a new spaceship to get them home.



The pupils in Willow class responded immediately, gathering new resources to build a spaceship as well as heading out to Forest School to find additional parts.



We are pleased to report that the pupils in Willow class succeeded in completing a new rocket and Obb and Bob have returned safely to their home planet. Well done Willow class!

## Site changes

Please be careful as you enter the school site over the coming week, as the wellie boot store and old green mobile building by the school gate will be in the process of being dismantled. The contractors will cordon off the area, however, if you have pre-school children, or younger pupils with you, please ensure they stay on the pathway.

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!



## 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**  
**89%**

**Beech**  
**97.7%**

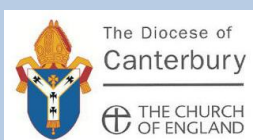
**Maple**  
**98.7%**

**Hazel**  
**95.7%**

**Oak**  
**98.8%**

**Whole school  
cumulative this  
year  
95.17%**

**↑** 0.04% from last  
week



## **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



### **Learning Warrior** **9<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

Willow – Riley  
Beech – Ophelia  
Maple – Abel  
Hazel – Rose  
Oak – Isla  
Head Boy Award – Monty  
Head Girl Award – Ivy  
Attendance Ted – Oak  
Punctuality Pup – Beech