

Friday 17th November 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Children In Need 2023



Thank you to all of our pupils and families for supporting this worthwhile cause. Well done to all the bright and colourful spotty children, and staff, in school today! At the time of writing this newsletter Northbourne have raised just over £100 for Children In Need. Congratulations everybody!



Poppy Appeal – Remembrance at Northbourne



On Remembrance Sunday, Northbourne were represented at the Easry service by Arthur from Beech Class. He did an amazing job, walking in the Remembrance Day parade and stepping forward to lay the poppy cross at the war memorial, on behalf of the school community.



We are incredibly proud of Arthur for showing our school values and our Christian values and for being such a wonderful ambassador for us all. Thank you Arthur!

Times Table Rockstars – England Rocks



England Rocks was a great challenge for our children to participate in, a national tournament on Times Tables Rock Stars which over 4,000 schools took part in! Well done to all our children who played multiplication and division games and got points for Northbourne!



The final results are in and we can now announce the children who gained the most points in our school. Oak Class were our winning class but in each class we had some super high scorers - well done to all of you! The highest scoring children were: Oak - Eve, Hazel, Elliot, Maple - Rex, Beech - Finn



We finished our Maths focused week with a Problem Solving Morning this morning. The children spent their Maths lesson solving all sorts of different problems: finding out how much chocolate could be shared between a group of children (using fractions knowledge), multiplication problems and puzzles, problem solving techniques, problems using addition and solving problems outside in Forest School! We had a very busy morning, with lots of Maths talk and challenges!

Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 13th Dec

Please remember that Christmas lunch will need to be pre-ordered. Please let Mrs Berridge know if you would like your child to have a Christmas lunch on Wednesday 13th Dec.

Message from the Friends Of Northbourne - Christmas Fair



IMPORANT!

The Friends of Northbourne really need more volunteers to help run a successful Christmas Fair.

Please help if you can. Speak to Mrs Berridge for more information.

We are looking for volunteers who would be able to run a stall on the day of the Christmas Fair. If you are able to help then please see Mrs Berridge and add your name to our volunteer list.

We already have some fantastic prizes for our raffle but if you or someone you know works for a local company that may be able to donate a raffle prize then please get in touch!

Friday 1st December will be a non-uniform day at school. We will be asking for each child to bring in a chocolate prize and a bottle prize to be added to the fair.

This week's attendance percentages: Week beginning 06.11.23

**Willow
96%**

**Beech
90%**

**Maple
96%**

**Hazel
96%**

**Oak
96%**

**Whole school
cumulative this
year
96.9%**

**Learning Warrior
17th November, 2023**

Willow – Elias
Beech – Aston
Maple – Joshua
Hazel – Murdo
Oak – Delilah
Head Boy Award – Max
Head Girl Award – Felix
Attendance Ted –
Punctuality Pup –

Term 2 Diary Dates

Please find below some diary dates for upcoming events taking place in Term 2.

- Fri 24th Nov – **Christmas CRAFTERNOON** – You are very welcome to join your child in their classroom from 1.30pm on the afternoon of Friday 24th November for some Christmas craft. This is a relaxed afternoon where parents are invited to join their child and help to create some craft together. You are welcome to drop in for 10 minutes or stay for the whole afternoon. We hope you will be able to join us.
- Fri 1st Dec – **Non-Uniform Day for Friends Of Northbourne** – Bring in a prize for the Christmas Fair. A chocolate prize and a bottle prize.
- Tue 5th Dec, Wed 6th Dec - **Nativity** – performed by all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2:

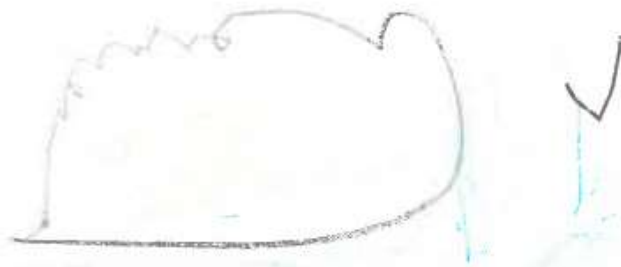
Performance 1: Tuesday 5th Dec 2pm

Performance 2: Wednesday 6th Dec 2pm

Both performances are the same. We will communicate directly with parents of Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children with further details.

- Fri 8th Dec – **Elf Day (National Alheimers Society)** – Christmas dress up day in aid of the Alzheimer's Society. Pupils and staff to come into school either dressed as an Elf, or wearing any other Christmas themed clothing. Enter into the spirit, wear something bright, fun and festive and help us to raise funds for this worthwhile cause. Voluntary contributions will be made via Teachers2Parents app
- Fri 8th Dec – **Christmas Fair** – The Friends of Northbourne Christmas Fair - 2pm – 4pm
Information about donations, volunteers, events, to follow.
- Mon 11th Dec - **Christmas Story Time!** – A special storytelling morning for the pupils, with staff celebrating and sharing some favourite Christmas stories.
- Tue 12th Dec **Christmas Singing** – Join us on Tuesday afternoon in the hall 2.15pm. The whole school will be singing through the Christmas songs that they have learnt this year with Miss Cooper. Everybody welcome for mince pies and hot drinks.
- Wed 13th Dec - **Christmas lunch / Christmas jumper day (Save The Children)** – Whole School Meals Christmas lunch day, wear a Christmas Jumper for Save The Children, voluntary contributions will be made via Teachers2Parents app
- Thurs 14th Dec - **Christingle at St Augustine's Church** – 10am, pupils in Year 3 to Year 6. Parents welcome to join us at St Augustine's church at 10am for a traditional Christingle service.
- Fri 15th Dec – **Last day of Term 2** – On the last day of Term 2 we offer early collection, anytime from 1.00pm. Please note, school remains open until normal pick up time for those who cannot, or would rather not, be collected early.





Dear God

A little boy and ^{of} the
people who don't live in
a safe place at the
moment we pray to end
wars and help
people to feel safe

Amen.
Fred. L. Beech class

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

Tuesday 2nd January

Monday 22nd July

Tuesday 23rd July

