

Friday 1st December 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

Christmas Fair – Friday 8th 2pm-4pm

Don't forget that the Christmas Fair is next Friday 8th December.

- It will run from 2pm to 4pm.
- Family and friends are welcome to arrive anytime from 2pm.
- We encourage you to collect your child from their classroom and then visit the fair together. Once you are finished at the fair you are free to take your child home.
- The children will have Christmas craft for you to purchase from them in their classrooms – **please bring some £1 coins!**
- Please note: all pupils will need to be collected from their classrooms by normal end of day time (3.10pm latest).
- If your child is going to Wrap Around on Friday 8th then they will have a chance to visit the fair before going over to Wrap Around care.



Choir singing 2.00pm to 2.20pm at school entrance

The school choir will be singing at the school entrance from 2.00pm to 2.20pm

Charley's Friday Dance Club performing at 3.30pm in the hall

If your child is part of Charley's Fri dance club then they will be performing their dance on the stage in the hall at 3.30pm. They will need to meet Charley in the hall at 3.00pm



If you cannot attend the fair....

If you would rather not attend, or cannot attend, then you will be able to collect your child by coming to the school office anytime from 2pm up until normal end of day time at 3.10pm latest.

Please note, the afternoon **Drop Off point will not be in operation** for Yr 5/6 on Friday 8th. The morning Drop Off point will run as normal.

Pre-paid cards for Christmas Fair & Guess The Name of the Bear game



Pre-paid game cards and raffle tickets are now available to purchase online via the teachers2parents app. Please note that the class crafts, refreshments and pocket money stall are CASH ONLY so please bring some change for these!

Our "Guess the Name of the Bear Game" is still running outside the office. Children can bring in £1 to play. Children are welcome to bring in more than £1 if they wish to have multiple guesses.

Police visit to Willow class

This week, Willow class enjoyed a visit from Kent Police. As part of their "People Who Help Us" topic, the pupils got to meet with a police officer, hear all about how the Police help us and then had a chance to have look around the police car, including sitting in the driver's seat!

Willow class had a wonderful afternoon meeting with the police officer and were excellent ambassadors for the school.....no arrests were made!



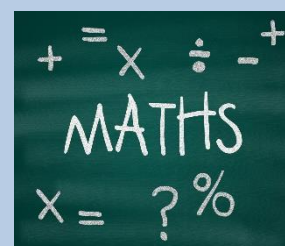
Maths workshop at Hornbeam Primary School

On Wednesday, Elsie, Emily, Matilda G-K and Merida attended a Maths workshop at Hornbeam Primary School. It was led by a teacher and mathematician, Pete Hall.

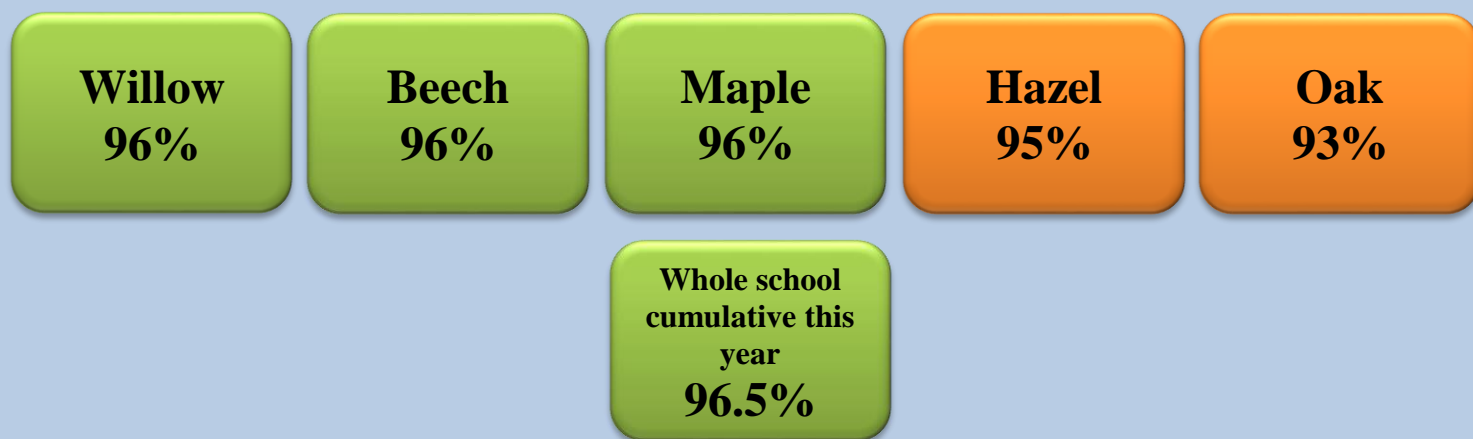


The pupils covered many mathematical skills by tackling lots of problem solving puzzles throughout the day. This included: magic squares, prime numbers, tangrams and much more. Elsie was the first person there to solve one of the magic squares, which was very exciting!

The pupils had a fantastic time and really developed their problem solving skills. Well done for representing Northbourne so brilliantly!



This week's attendance percentages: Week beginning 27.11.23



Term 2 Diary Dates

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

- 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
- Fri 8th Dec – **Elf Day (National Alzheimers 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.