

17<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

## **Cricket Day at Northbourne with Kent County Cricket Club – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January**



We are delighted to let you know that the children will be taking part in a special 'Chance to Shine' cricket PE day this coming Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January. Over the course of the day, a specialist cricket coach from Chance to Shine will deliver a fun and engaging session with each class, introducing them to the game of cricket and playing a variety of 'fast paced' skill-based games to get them moving and engaged with the game of cricket.

As this is a one-off day where every class will be engaging in a PE lesson, we ask that all children come into school wearing their PE kit on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>. Each session will be taking place outside on the playground and therefore I advise that the children wear a jumper and tracksuit bottoms to keep them warm.

We are all looking forward to a fun and energetic day, and perhaps we can find the next Ben Stokes or Tammy Beaumont amongst our school community!

## **Online Safety**

Was anyone in your household lucky enough to get a new device for Christmas? Maybe a tablet or games console or possibly even a laptop? If so, then you will know how careful you need to be around internet access for children.

There is a wealth of information for you on the school website. We subscribe to a monthly online safety newsletter that covers all areas of online safety and awareness for all age groups. There is advice on staying safe on games consoles, advice around apps such as TikTok, Whatsapp and Snapchat and information on specific games and apps that children may be interested in.



You can view all of our online safety newsletters by visiting our website at:

[Northbourne CE Primary School - Online Safety Newsletters \(northbourne-cep.kent.sch.uk\)](http://northbourne-cep.kent.sch.uk)

Recent advice in the newsletters has covered:

App age ratings – EA FC – Roblox – Snapchat – TIK TOK – Minecraft

# Friends of Northbourne Newsletter



## We Need You!

We are planning our next school disco for Friday 7th February 4.30pm-6pm.

We are in need of volunteers to hold this event, if you are able to help us then please leave your name and phone number with Mrs Berridge or alternatively e-mail us on [fonorthbourne@outlook.com](mailto:fonorthbourne@outlook.com) and we will add you to our whatsapp group for this event.



## Fundraising Update

Happy New Year to all our families, we hope you had an enjoyable and restful Christmas break. We want to say a huge thank you for all the support you have shown and update you on the amount we have raised.

Last term we raised an amazing £2552.46, this is broken down into £1643.85 at our Christmas Fair and other Christmas events, £428 from tea towel sales, £138.80 from tuck shops, £134.50 from uniform sales and £207.31 from easy fundraising. Thank you to all our volunteers at our Christmas Fair, without you these events would not be possible.

We currently have only 26 supporters signed up to easyfundraising. Please sign up and every time you shop online you will earn us a free donation, without costing you a penny!



## Dates for your Diary

**31st January** - Tuck Shop and Uniform Sale

**7th February** - School Disco

## Find us on Facebook!



Find us on Facebook and keep up to date with all our events and plans!

"Friends of Northbourne"

## INSET days for academic year 2025 – 2026

We have set our INSET days for the next academic year. Please note the following days where the school will be closed to pupils:

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2025
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2025
- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026

Please see below for the calendar view of where our INSET days are for the next academic year.

Northbourne CEP School Academic Calendar 2025/26																			
September 2025					October 2025					November 2025					December 2025				
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January 2026					February 2026					March 2026					April 2026				
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4	5	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	12	6	7	8	9	10		School Holiday			
11	12	13	14	15	15	16	17	18	19	13	14	15	16	17		Bank Holiday			
18	19	20	21	22	22	23	24	25	26	20	21	22	23	24		Inset Day			
25	26	27	28	29	29	30				27	28	29	30	31					

**"Easyfundraising" can really help the Friends of Northbourne!**

How it works:

easyfundraising turns your daily shopping into every day magic!

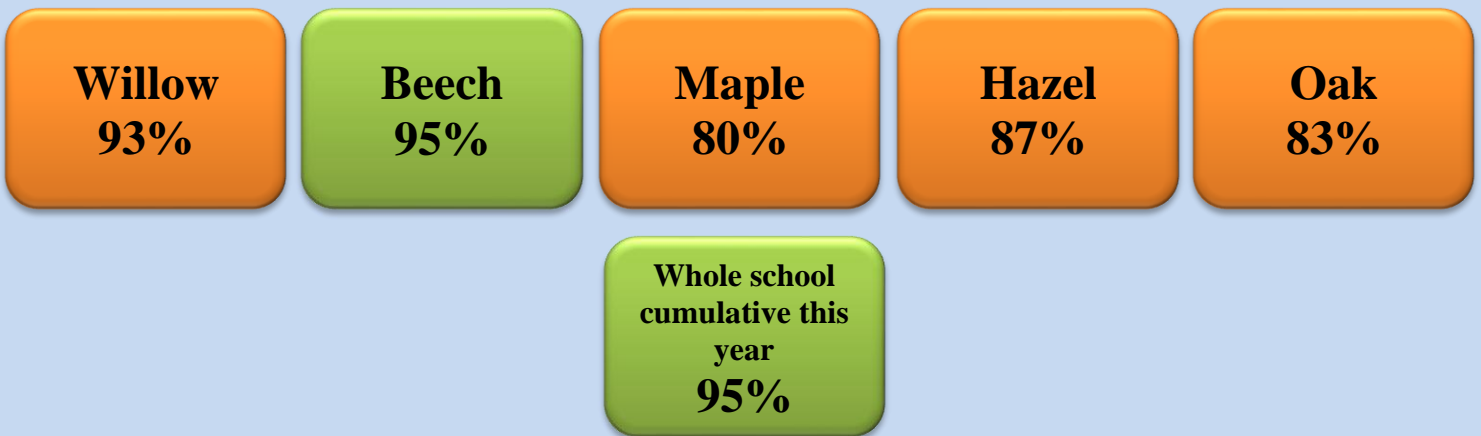
Brands will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand.

When you are shopping online, if you go via the easyfundraising webpage then you will help to raise important funds for the Friends of Northbourne.



**Attendance Update**

This week's attendance percentages: Week beginning 13.01.25





Vision Champion  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Willow – Ellis  
Beech – Jaxon  
Maple – Hugo  
Hazel – Tommy  
Oak – Elliott  
Head Girl's Award – Florence  
Head Boy's Award – Harvey  
Attendance Ted – Beech class  
Punctuality Pup – Maple class



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**A prayer to help us show Compassion**

Dear Lord,

Please teach us compassion. Help us to notice what other people are feeling. Help us to put ourselves in other people's shoes today and feel what it's like to be them. Show us how to be kind to those around us who are feeling sad or hurt.

Amen.

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