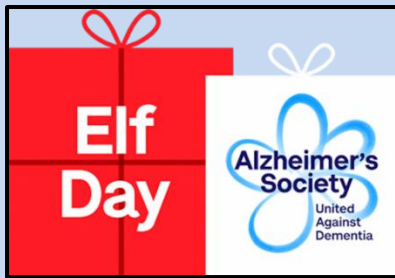


28th November 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

This Wednesday 3rd Dec is.....Elf / Christmas Dress Up Day!



Just to remind you that this coming Wednesday is our Christmas dress up day in aid of the Alzheimer's Society. On "Elf Day" we would like to invite all of our pupils and staff to come into school dressed as an Elf, or wearing any other Christmas themed clothing.

It is a non-uniform day, so we encourage everybody to enter into the spirit, wear something bright, fun and festive and help us to raise funds for this worthwhile cause.

As you know, our Pupil Voice team work alongside the Dover SMART Project where many of the adults that our pupils have worked with either have dementia or are carers for somebody suffering from dementia. Therefore, Elf Day is an important fundraising day for our Pupil Voice team and their chosen charities.



We look forward to seeing everybody's festive fashion on Wednesday!

NORTHBOURNE WINNERS! Manwood's Maths Competition

On Thursday, Hugo, Harvey, Sophie T and Brooks went to Manwood's to represent Northbourne in the Primary Maths competition. The aim was to answer 6 difficult tasks within 60 minutes. Our first and sixth tasks were a breeze, but the rest really made us think. After the time was up, the wait for the results was nerve-wracking. First third place was announced, it went to Sandown School and 2nd place went to Preston. After what felt like an age, Mrs Wilkening announced 1st place and it was Northbourne!

We felt very proud and were very excited to receive our certificates and a calculator each (very useful for going to secondary school). We were also given a shield, which we can keep for the year and our school name will be engraved on it. We really enjoyed our afternoon, it was fun and we had the opportunity to broaden our learning, especially our Maths skills, even further.



Written by Brooks, Harvey, Hugo and Sophie

Well done to all of you - we are incredibly proud of you for representing Northbourne so well and being well-deserved winners!

Classic FM - The Big Christmas Chorus, Make Some Noise

The logo for Classic FM, featuring the word "CLASSIC" in a black serif font and "FM" in a red script font.

I am very pleased to inform you that our school choir are taking part in 'The Big Christmas Chorus', joining with Northbourne Park School on 11th December. They will be singing the song 'We're Walking in the Air' to mark the 40th anniversary of the release of the song. This is being organised by Classic FM and is not only a chance to enjoy singing together, but also to raise funds, as a school, for Classic FM's official charity, Make Some Noise.

Make Some Noise supports people across the UK through some of life's toughest challenges such as: bereavement, mental health challenges, illness and much more.

The choir have taught the whole school the song as well and will lead them in singing it over the Christmas period. We would like to invite you to donate to the charity as we take part in this event. If you would like to donate to our school fundraising for Make Some Noise, please use the following QR code to reach the fundraising page and click on our school to donate.



Volunteers needed for Christmas Fair – 5th December

The Friends of Northbourne are in need of volunteers to help run the fair on 5th December. If you can spare your time to help run a stall or help with the setting up and tidy away, please do let Mrs Berridge or Mrs Thomas know. There is a list of jobs in the school office that you can sign up for.

Please do help if you can. Important events, like our Christmas Fair, can only run and be successful if we all pitch in and help out. Thank you.





Community events –

- Deal Foodbank – Christmas appeal

THIS CHRISTMAS, HELP TO SUPPORT

Deal
PANTRY

 Deal Area
Foodbank
Together with Trussell

*IN THE RUN UP TO CHRISTMAS
JOIN US IN SPREADING KINDNESS IN YOUR COMMUNITY.
COLLECT AN ITEM A DAY TO HELP LOCAL PEOPLE IN NEED.*

 TINNED COLD MEAT	 SQUASH	 BISCUITS	 CLEANING PRODUCTS	 ORANGE / APPLE JUICE
 CRISPS	 INSTANT MASH	 SACHET PASTA & SAUCE	 COOKING OIL	 SPONGE PUDDINGS
 JELLY	 POT NOODLES	 CLEANING CLOTHS	 TINNED PIES	 DEODORANTS
 UHT MILK	 TOOTHPASTE	 CRACKERS FOR CHEESE	 SWEETS	 CHOCOLATE
 NUTS	 BAKING ITEMS	 SHAMPOO / CONDITIONER	 GRAVY	 KIDS DESSERTS

CALL 01304 728428 TO ARRANGE DROP OFF / COLLECTION OR ADD TO THE LOCAL DONATION POINTS IN SCHOOLS, CHURCHES AND SUPERMARKETS ANYTIME IN DECEMBER.

Attendance Update

This week's attendance percentages: Week ending Friday 28th November.

Willow
97%

Beech
96%

Maple
93%

Hazel
96%

Oak
95%

**Whole school
cumulative this
year to date
96.2%**



Vision Champions

Week ending Friday 28th November

Willow – Oscar

Beech – Arlo

Maple – Felix D

Hazel – Quinn

Oak – Lotta

Head Girl's Award – Charlotte W

Head Boy's Award – Harvey

Attendance Ted – Willow class

Punctuality Pup – Willow and Maple class



Next Week at Northbourne Primary School

Monday 1st December

Lunch Options: *Tomato Pasta or Baked Potato*

PE Lesson: *Every class will have a PE lesson with Coach Josh*

Forest School: *Beech Class*

After School Club: *Sports Club with our Team Theme Coach Whole School*

Tuesday 2nd December

Lunch Options: *Mexican Beef Tortilla Bake, Veggie Tacos or Baked Potato*

Forest School: *Maple Class*

Year 5 Swimming Lesson: *Leaving at 10am, children will return in time for lunch*

Cornet Lesson: *Years 5-6, please remember to bring your cornet in to school*

Wednesday 3rd December

Lunch Options: *Sausages & Gravy, Quorn Sausage & Gravy or Baked Potato*

Forest School: *Hazel Class*

Elf Day in support of the Alzheimer's Society. Dress up in your snazziest Christmas Costume! Donations can be made on the Teacehrs2Parents App.

Thursday 4th December

Lunch Options: *Curried Chicken Chunks, Vegetable Frittata or Baked Potato*

Forest School: *Oak Class*

Friday 5th December

Lunch Options: *Fish Fingers, Cheese Pizza or Baked Potato*

Forest School: *Willow Class*

Christmas Fair: *2pm-4pm. You can collect your child from class. Once you are finished at the fair, you are free to go home. Pre-paid cards are available online. School will remain open as normal until 3pm.*

After School Club: *Dance Fusion with Charli for Yrs 1-6 (Christmas Performance)*

Important Dates For Christmas

Friday 14th November:

Children In Need Non-Uniform Day. Wear something Spotty! Donations can be made on the Teacehrs2Parents App.

Friday 28th November

Non-Uniform Day for the Christmas Fair. Please donate a bottle and/or chocolate for the Christmas Fair.

Wednesday 3rd December

Elf Day in support of the Alzheimer's Society. Dress up in your snazziest Christmas Costume! Donations can be made on the Teacehrs2Parents App.

Friday 5th December 2pm - 4pm:

Friends of Northbourne Christmas Fair. Please collect your child from class and once you have looked around the fair, you are free to leave. Pre-paid cards will be available on the Teachers2Parents App.

Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th December 2pm - 3pm:

Key Stage 1 Nativity Performance. Tickets must be booked in advance. Due to space constraints we can only allow 2 adults per child to attend.

Thursday 11th December:

School Panto: Aladdin. The Friends of Northbourne have generously agreed to help us cover the costs of a professional Panto company to visit our school. This event is for pupils only, parents do not need to attend.

Tuesday 16th December 2pm - 3pm:

Christmas Sing-Along. Taking place in the School Hall. Parents are welcome to join us for Christmas songs, mince pies and hot drinks.

Wednesday 17th December 12pm - 1pm:

School Christmas Lunch and wear a Christmas Jumper Day- This needs to be booked in advance with reception (an email will be sent closer to the time). The cost will be £2.75 and will be charged through the Parentmail app. If your child is in Key Stage 1 or is in receipt of Free School Meals the Christmas Lunch is free.

Thursday 18th December 10am - 11am:

KS2 Christingle Service at St Augustine's Church. Parents are invited to join us for the service.

Friday 19th December 1pm onwards:

Final day of Term 2. Children can be collected from 1pm. School will remain open until 3pm as normal.