

21<sup>st</sup> November 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

## **Non-Uniform day next Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov – Please donate a bottle and/or chocolate**

Next Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov is a non-uniform day for the pupils, to help collect prizes for the Christmas Fair. Please can you send your child in on Friday with a donation of either a bottle (drink, smellies, etc) and/or something chocolatey! These donations will all go to the Christmas Fair to be won as prizes.

Thank you for your support.



## **Tree planting in Forest School to thank Mrs Winslade**

On Thursday this week the Governors met at school, along with the school community, to thank Mrs Winslade for all her commitment and hard work as Chair of Governors. Our new Chair of Governors, Mr Jackson-Merrick, chose a Wild Service Tree to plant in our Forest School area. This was carefully chosen as it is a native tree and helps to sustain our wildlife throughout the year, making it a great choice for our school grounds.



Mrs Winslade and a group of pupils from across the school helped to plant the tree, which will now grow and blossom for many years to come.

It was lovely to welcome Mrs Winslade back to school and be able to thank her again for all that she has done for our school.

## Pupil-led church service



Well done to Giana, Maisie, Ivy, Chloe, Ronnie and Isla for leading the church service for St Augustine's church last Sunday in the school hall. It was very well attended by the congregations from Northbourne and Woodnesborough, as well as parents and school staff.

Tea, coffee, soft drinks and homemade cakes were enjoyed by all at the end of the service!

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## Football Match report – Shepherdswell 1–3 Northbourne

On Monday this week the school football team played their first league game of the season away to Shepherdswell school. After a positive start with several close shots we were unlucky to go 1-0 down. However, the team rallied together and a fantastic shot from Hugo levelled the game before half-time. During the second half we managed to score twice (an own goal and a long-ranged shot from Gino) to finish the game with a 3-1 victory.

Well done to Peter, Reggie, Faith, Hugo, Archie, Ben, George. M, George OB, Stanley and Gino for yet another brilliant performance.

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## Volunteers needed for Christmas Fair – 5<sup>th</sup> December

The Friends of Northbourne are in need of volunteers to help run the fair on 5<sup>th</sup> 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.



## Maths Week England at Northbourne

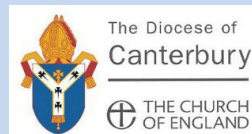


This week, Northbourne has taken part in Maths Week England! England Rocks on TTRS was part of that and we had some amazing participants! Well done to everyone who went onto TTRS and gained points for the school as well as themselves. We are very proud to announce that Hazel Class were the winning class and they had the highest scoring players in the school as well, with Jude in 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Rex in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Ben in 1<sup>st</sup> place. Well done to all three of you for being such times tables super stars! A special mention also to the highest scorers in other classes - Elliot in Oak Class and Henry in Maple Class.

This morning, we all enjoyed a Maths problem solving morning to finish the week, with activities outside in Forest School as well as some chocolate eating, puzzles with salamanders, Maths games and building blocks!

## Friends of Northbourne – Christmas appeals and news

A festive Christmas raffle poster with a red background. At the top, a large golden bell hangs from a string of colorful Christmas lights. To the left of the bell is a cartoon illustration of Santa Claus. The text 'CHRISTMAS RAFFLE' is written in large, white, stylized letters. Below this, it says 'Tickets on sale now!'. A list of prizes is presented in green boxes: 'A weekend in an AirBnB, kindly donated by one of the parents.', '2 x vouchers for Revolution Skatepark and Climbing centre', 'A voucher donated by Iceland', 'A family ticket to Dover Transport Museum', 'A voucher to spend in Effie McLean', and 'Cream tea for 2 at Goodnestone Park Tearooms'. At the bottom, it says 'Just some of the prizes on offer.' with decorative floral elements.





**Community events –**

- **Northbourne Village Murder Mystery Night**
- **Deal Foodbank – Christmas appeal**



## Attendance Update

This week's attendance percentages: Week ending Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November.

**Willow**  
**99%**

**Beech**  
**97%**

**Maple**  
**92%**

**Hazel**  
**99%**

**Oak**  
**93%**

**Whole school  
cumulative this  
year to date  
96.3%**



### Vision Champions

Week ending Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November

Willow – Rupert

Beech – Charlotte

Maple – Maisie S

Hazel – Maisie M

Oak – Stanley

Head Girl's Award – Bowen

Head Boy's Award – Esme

Attendance Ted – Willow and Hazel class

Punctuality Pup – Willow and Maple class



# Next Week at Northbourne Primary School

## Monday 24th November

**Lunch Options:** *Mixed Bean Wrap 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 for Whole School*

## Tuesday 25th November

**Lunch Options:** *Chicken Tacos, Sweet Potato & Spinach Dahl or Baked Potato*

**Forest School:** *Maple Class*

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

**Police Mini Cadets:** *Passing out Parade—You will have received an email inviting you to join.*

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

## Wednesday 26th November

**Lunch Options:** *Roast Pork, Veggie Meatloaf or Baked Potato*

**Forest School:** *Hazel Class*

**Maths Competition at SRMS:** *You will have received an email if your child has been invited to take part*

## Thursday 27th November

**Lunch Options:** *Chicken Curry, Veggie Frittata or Baked Potato*

**Forest School:** *Oak Class*

## Friday 28th November

**Non Uniform Day:** *Please bring a bottle and or chocolate for the Christmas fair*

**Lunch Options:** *Fish Bites, Veggie Nuggets or Baked Potato*

**Forest School:** *Willow Class*

**Awards Assembly:** *2.30pm - If your child has won an award, you will receive an invitation via text, please join us if you can.*

**After School Club:** *Dance Fusion with Charlie for Yrs 1-6*

# 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.