

27th February 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,



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Our Pupil Voice team have selected the RNLB as their charity to support this term. The children have decided to hold a model building competition to help raise money and awareness for the RNLB.

Please see the poster below for details. We hope as many of our pupils as possible get behind this charity and produce some amazing RNLB models. We can't wait to see how creative everybody gets. Have fun!

Get ready for a challenge!

LIFEBOAT MODEL COMPETITION

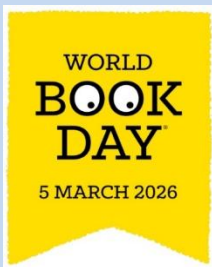
Create a model using materials of your choice
and win an RNLB themed prize!

Closing date
26th March

Prizes will be awarded for the best
model in Key Stage 1 & 2

Entries cost £1 – via the Teachers2Parents App.
All monies raised will be donated to the RNLB

World Book Day – Thursday 5th March



I am pleased to inform you that as part of our love of reading in school, we will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. To celebrate this day all children and staff are **invited to dress up**, should they wish to.

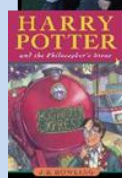
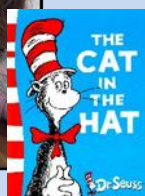
The children can be as creative as they wish, they could choose to **dress as a book character, a famous author, or anything else that links in with books** that they can think of. Alternatively the children could **wear PJs or a Onesie to celebrate reading at bedtime**.

We appreciate that whilst some pupils and parents love an opportunity to get creative and dress up, others might not be so enthusiastic. **Please do not overly worry or spend unnecessary amounts of money on costumes.** We are happy with whatever effort the children can make on the day.



As well as dressing up, we will also be celebrating our favourite books, sharing story time and handing out the £1 World Book Day vouchers for the pupils to spend in book shops. We look forward to celebrating World Book Day together on 5th March.

- **dress as a book character, a famous author, or anything else that links in with books**
- or
- **wear PJs or a Onesie to celebrate reading at bedtime**



Parents Evenings – new booking system – Juniper Horizons, Parent Portal

Our next Parents Evening appointments will follow the mid-year reports, on Monday 16th March and Tuesday 17th March.

You will have received an email from Juniper Horizons, inviting you to join the Parent Portal. We will be using this portal to book parents evening appointments. If you are having difficulties booking, please contact Mrs Thomas in the office.

Key Dates:

- Mid year reports sent home after February Half Term
- Parents Evenings: **Mon 16th and Tues 17th March**



INSET days for academic year 2026 – 2027

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

- Tuesday 1st September 2026
- Thursday 22nd October 2026
- Friday 23rd October 2026
- Monday 4th January 2027
- Monday 21st June 2027

Northbourne CEP School
Academic Calendar 2026/27

September 2026					October 2026					November 2026					December 2026				
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31					28	29	30			26	27	28	29	30					

Attendance Update

This week's attendance percentages: Week ending Friday 27th February.

Willow
97%

Beech
99%

Maple
92%

Hazel
99%

Oak
95%

Whole school
cumulative this
year to date
95.4%



Vision Champions Week ending Friday 27th February

Willow – Otilie
Beech – Roman
Maple – Charlotte B
Hazel – Harry T
Oak – Dylan
Head Girl's Award – Ethan
Head Boy's Award – Maisie S
Attendance Ted – Beech & Hazel Classes
Punctuality Pup – Willow & Maple Classes



Next Week at Northbourne Primary School

Monday 2nd March

Lunch Options: *Cheese Pizza, Mixed Bean Wrap or Jacket Potato*
Forest School: *Beech Class*
PE Lesson: *Every class will have a PE lesson with Coach Kye*

Tuesday 3rd March

Lunch Options: *Chicken Tacos, Sweet Potato & Spinach Dhal or Jacket Potato*
Forest School: *Maple Class*
Cornet Lesson: *Years 5-6, please remember to bring your cornet into school*
Swimming Lessons: *Year 4 Swimming*
Other: *Mini Police Cadets 2pm*

Wednesday 4th March

Lunch Options: *Roast Pork, Veggie Meatloaf or Jacket Potato*
Forest School: *Hazel Class*

Thursday 5th March

Lunch Options: *Beef Bolognese, Veggie Bolognese or Jacket Potato*
Forest School: *Oak Class*

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Friday 6th March

Lunch Options: *Fish Bites, Veggie Nuggets or Jacket Potato*
Forest School: *Willow Class*
Lunch Clubs: *Choir & Gardening Club*



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