

22nd May 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,



This week, the Friends of Northbourne launched their "Smarties fundraising Challenge!"

Your child will have brought home a tube of Smarties (or allergy/dietary alternative) to enjoy as a treat. The Friends of Northbourne would then like to challenge the children to show their school values by completing jobs, chores, lending a hand, being kind and helpful.

Grown-ups, over the next two weeks, if you feel your child rises to the challenge and is kind, helpful and thoughtful, then please pop some coins (or notes, if you're feeling generous!) into the empty Smarties tube as a fundraising donation.

Smarties tubes with donations can be returned to school on **Monday 8th June**, following half term. There will also be a treat for the class that raises the most funds.

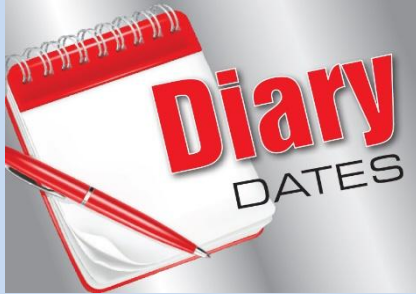
We know the children will enjoy the Smarties, we hope you will notice the children showing our school values and stepping up to the fundraising challenge!



Summer Term - Dates for your diary

We are approaching Term 6, which is always a very busy time of year! There are some very important dates coming up, such as **Sports Day** and **Class Photograph Day**. Please see below for some Term 6 dates.

There will be more dates to follow, including Term 6 trips and in-school experiences, Year 6 Activity Week, Transition to new year group day.



- Fri 22nd May – End of Term 5 (Normal finish time)
- Mon 1st June – Start of Term 6
- Wed 3rd June – Class photographs
- Sun 14th June – Collective Worship group leading service at church
- Mon 22nd June – INSET Day, school closed to pupils
- Wed 1st July – Sports Day (morning, followed by family picnic lunch)
- Fri 3rd July – Summer Fair (afternoon 2pm – 4pm)
- Tue 21st July – End of Term 6 (pick up anytime from 1.00pm)

Further details about these events will be shared closer to the time. Thank you.

Staffing Update

As we start to make early preparations for next academic year, I have an important staffing update for our school community.

Mr Martin will be moving on from his Class Teacher post at the end of this academic year. He will be staying at Northbourne and transferring over to our Sports Coach position from September.

We are very pleased that Mr Martin will be staying with us at Northbourne. His Sports Coach position will replace the TeamTheme provision we have had for PE this year. I know that Mr Martin is very excited to develop our PE provision, our after school club offer and our competitive sports teams next academic year.

We are currently in the process of recruiting a new teacher to join our school community from September. We will keep you posted on this during Term 6.

Attendance Update

This week's attendance percentages: Week ending Friday 22nd May

Willow
98%

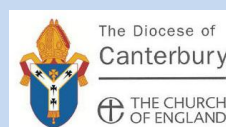
Beech
96%

Maple
94%

Hazel
97%

Oak
93%

**Whole school
cumulative this
year to date
95.4%**



Values winners for Term 5



Congratulations to the "values winners" for Term 5. We love celebrating how our school values have been shown across the past weeks, and we are always proud to be able to present certificates and badges to those pupils who have consistently shown those values in all that they do at Northbourne.

Inquisitive

Willow – Rupert
Beech – Parker
Maple – Felix D
Hazel – Lily
Oak – Giana

Communicative

Willow – Millie S
Beech – Annabelle
Maple – Esme
Hazel – Rosie
Oak – Pennie

Collaborative

Willow – Cohen
Beech – Joy
Maple – Lachlan
Hazel – Quinn
Oak – Joshua

Resilient

Willow – Rosie
Beech – Max V
Maple – Jaxon
Hazel – Rupert
Oak – Elliott

Independence

Willow – Maisie
Beech – Niamh
Maple – Charlotte
Hazel – Alfie
Oak – Edward

Emotionally Intelligent

Willow – Fern L
Beech – Charlotte
Maple – Henry
Hazel – Leo
Oak – Harvey

Values Trophy Winners for Term 5

EYFS / KS1 Winner – Arthur R
KS2 Winner – Brooks



Next Week at Northbourne Primary School

Monday 1st June

Lunch Options: *Pizza & Sauté Potatoes, Herby Tomato Pasta or Jacket Potato*

Forest School: *Beech Class*

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

Tuesday 2nd June

Lunch Options: *Burger in a Bun, Vegan Sausage Roll or Jacket Potato*

Forest School: *Maple Class*

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

Wednesday 3rd June

Lunch Options: *Gamman, Frittata or Jacket Potato*

Forest School: *Hazel Class*

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Thursday 4th June

Lunch Options: *Chicken Fajitas, Sweet Potato & Spinach Dhal or Jacket Potato*

Forest School: *Oak Class*

Friday 5th June

Lunch Options: *Fish Fingers, Veggie Nuggets or Jacket Potato*

Forest School: *Willow Class*

Lunch Clubs: *Choir & Gardening Club, KS1 Musical Theatre*

Dear God, ☆ ☆

We are grateful for the peaceful moments we share.

We thank you for the days that we treasure, ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

☆ We hope that you can be mindful towards others.

We hope you can leave here knowing Peace is everywhere, ☆

Amen

Respect

Kindness

Love



Love your ☆ lives

