

19th November 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

Northbourne Governors

You may have noticed some additional adults at the school gate on the morning of Monday 8th November. We were very happy to be joined by our Chair of Governors, Mrs Winslade and two further Governors, Mrs Knight and Mr Hickie.

It was a pleasure to share our school with the Governors for the morning. They were able to see how our pupils and parent arrive each morning and to observe some of our daily lessons, forest school and collective worship. They were also able to meet with the staff at break time and to gain a better understanding of what it is like to be a pupil and an adult at Northbourne.

Our school Governors are pivotal to ensuring that Northbourne continues to grow and develop. They provide challenge and support and work with the whole community to improve the opportunities for our pupils.

Mrs Winslade has written a letter to the pupils and the school community, which you can see below.

A letter from our Chair of Governors, Mrs Winslade

Thursday 11 November 2021

Dear Children

I am writing to thank you all for welcoming Mrs Knight, Mr Hickie and myself into school on Monday.

We enjoyed seeing you arriving happily and enthusiastically and chatting with you as you walked into school.

Thank you to the group of children who spoke to us after Collective Worship and sharing your thoughts.

The children we met at Forest School really helped us understand how outdoor learning helps you develop independence. We were very impressed with your den building and wood chopping skills, even though we had to leave before your fires were built. In the mud kitchen we were shown how to make luxury chocolate, chocolate porridge and chocolate cat food.

In Willow Class it was lovely to see you exploring learning in your classroom and in the outdoor learning area.

In Beech Class we enjoyed listening to you talk about your Superhero work.

We enjoyed watching and learning about Phonics and Rainbow Spelling in Maple Class.

Thank you to children in Hazel Class for explaining how to construct a Powerpoint presentation.

It was pleasing to see Oak Class positively engaged in your spelling tests. We also noticed the good quality of displays in your classroom.

As a school you made us feel very welcome and we thank you for making our visit so enjoyable.

We look forward to seeing you again during our next visit.

Best Wishes

Mrs Winslade

Chair of Governors

Children in Need – Friday 19th November

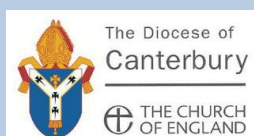
Thank you all for supporting Children in Need this year. The children looked fantastically spotty at school today! Please remember to donate via the school app and we will update you next week on how much money we have raised.

Flu vaccinations – Wednesday 24th November Reception – Y6

The Kent Community Health team will be in school next week to administer the nasal flu vaccination. Please note the online consent form closes at midnight tonight, after which your child will not be vaccinated in school. We cannot accept late consent; however, you can call KCH to book your child into a community catch-up clinic at a later date, Phone: 0300 123 5205.

Love in a Box

There is still time to add you decorated shoebox to our festive display, ready for collection on the morning of Tuesday 30th November. Each box will provide a child with a very special, and much needed, Christmas gift. Thank you for your generosity and care in supporting this charity.



Learning Warrior
Friday 19th November 2021

Willow – Archie
Beech – Archie
Maple – Vienna
Hazel – Isabella W.
Oak – Teddi
Head Boy Award – Robin – Beech
Head Girl Award – Olivia - Willow

The Big Question
"What does it mean to be a friend?"



