



# NORTHSIDE NEWSLETTER

Friday 9th November 2018

## Autumn 2 - Week 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

On our INSET day we revisited our mission statement, values and aims as a team including governors that were able to join us. Having decided what we value and how we aim to make sure that we provide the best possible for the children, we had the difficult task of trying to encapsulate this into a short phrase. We came up with three options which the children have voted on and the final outcome is;

*Happy to Learn , Inspired to Flourish.*

I hope you agree that this epitomises all that Northside Primary School is. We have also decided on the six values that will believe in and will follow in all that we do.

**Respect** – to value our needs, beliefs and each other

**Pride** – to have confidence in our abilities and celebrate success

**Inclusion** – to work together with families and our diverse community to become life-long learners

**Challenge** – to have high expectations of ourselves so we achieve our best

**Creativity** – to creatively express our feelings and ideas

**Resilience** – to develop life skills so we fulfil our potential

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs. Longworth

## Remembrance



As I am sure you are aware it is 100 Years since WWI ended and as a way to commemorate the occasion we will be holding a **100 Day** on Monday. Every lesson will have a 100 theme to it, it might be a 100 word story, creating maths questions that have the answer 100, creating a mosaic with a 100 pieces and of course remembering the soldiers that fought for us 100 years ago.

### Children In Need

**Friday 16th November**

**Reminder** On the 16<sup>th</sup> November, we will be raising money for BBC Children in Need which is the BBC's official UK charity. We are asking everyone to donate at least £1 to this very least worthwhile cause. We are having an opposite day – children can come to school dressed in something they would not usually come to school dressed in. So go wild and wacky and 'Do Your Thing!'



### Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is Anti-Bullying week and will be supporting the Bullying UK charity by selling blue wristbands for £1 before school and after school. The charity are part of the charity Family Lives and they support families with many difficulties including the effects of bullying. So look out for our Ambassadors. In classes will be focusing on showing positive behaviours surrounding our values as well as identifying the meaning of the words bullying and bystander and strategies to deal with bullying.



# Maths

In our Maths lessons, we have been making changes to the way lessons are organised. Children are now sat with different learning partners rather than in fixed ability groups so that they can benefit from discussing their ideas with a variety of different people. The beginning part of our Maths lessons now addresses what has been taught the day before. Children are either asked to consolidate their learning, receive support from a teacher or teaching assistant if they have found a concept difficult or extend their learning with a further challenge. Activities are broken into 3 levels of challenge and children are now given the freedom to choose which levels they will attempt. Research shows that this way of working will allow the children to 'push' themselves further and achieve more. Children feel more motivated to learn and so far we have seen some fantastic results!

In the Foundation Stage, we have purchased some exciting new outdoor equipment to support the children with their understanding of number. The Foundation Stage now has giant Numicon (colourful plastic shapes that represent different numbers), giant number tracks to form numbers correctly and a giant magnetic number line containing Numicon.

Across the school, we have a range of Maths interventions that support children with their learning. In Year 2 and 3, some children receive extra Maths support in the afternoon with Mrs Jennings through a programme called '1<sup>st</sup> class @ Number'. Our Maths TA, Mrs Slater runs an extra Maths intervention for some Year 4 and 5 children called 'Success @ Arithmetic'. Mrs Slater also runs after school Maths booster lessons for Year 6 children and an early morning times table group.

Every Friday, in the Red Room, we hold a free Maths Lending Library where parents are able to borrow Maths games to play at home. Games are a great way of supporting your children in a fun, informal way. If you are interested in borrowing a game, please come to the office at 9am on Fridays and ask for the Maths Lending Library.

*Mrs. Bennett*  
Maths Leader

## Important Dates

Date	Event	Class Involved
Friday 16th November	Class Assembly - Play In a Day at 2.45pm	5P & 5S
Monday 19th November	Scholastic Book Fair - All Week	Whole School
Wednesday 21st November	Class Assembly at 9.00am	Year 3
Wednesday 21st November	Individual Photographs	Whole School
Friday 23rd November	Science Museum Trip	Year 3
Tuesday 27th November	Nasal Flu Vaccines	Reception - Year 5
Friday 7th December	Christmas Market -	

**We look forward to seeing you at your child's class assembly.**



# Pen Licence Awards

This week's awards go to:

Year 6 Fountain Pen Award: Nicollas, Precious, Elisa, Tiffany, Natalie and Fardowso

Year 6 Pen Award: Danielle, Sharad, Rianna, Eric, Nihal, Carla and Samantha

Year 5 Pen Award: Momo and Amiya

Year 4 Pen Award: Parneez, Tereza, Eliza, Anoush, Sofia and Attila

Year 3 Pen Award: Virginia, Jessica, Yana and Tabitha

## Class Assemblies

### Year 4

On Wednesday Year 4 did a fantastic assembly about the Mayan civilisation. They told us a story about two explorers who went back in time. They taught us about the Mayan calendar and chocolate. It was very interesting.  
By Harry and Yana in Year 3



### Year 6

Today Year 6 did an assembly about Remembrance day. They told us why we wear poppies, what Remembrance day is and lots more. Here are some facts about Remembrance Day

- ◆ We wear and buy poppies because poppies represent blood of the people that died for us. The money raised from buying poppies go to The Royal British Legion.
- ◆ We celebrate Remembrance Day and are silent two minutes to think about the people that got injured for us and died for us.

We really enjoyed the assembly - well done Year 6.  
By Shayan and Klara in 5P.

## Christmas Cards For Schools

To raise valuable funds for the school we are trying something new. All children have drawn their own Christmas Card which you will be able to buy to send to your friends and family. Today you will receive details of how to view your child's design and order form. Your orders must be returned in an envelope with the correct money by Friday 16th November 2018. Orders received after this date will not be process. If you have any problems viewing your child's card please speak to Mrs Batt our Learning Mentor.



<b>Headteacher's Award Passport - Pride</b>		
<b>Reception</b>	Sadie for trying really hard in phonics this week and Roberto for some excellent number work.	
<b>Year 1</b>	Nicholas and Ava for their hard work in maths this week looking at number bonds.	Julian and Yoanna for their hard work in handwriting.
<b>Year 2</b>	Vesta for her enthusiasm and amazing art work during black history week and Aisha for her convincing acting of being on a bus in our lesson about Rosa Parks and Ruby Bridges.	Carter and Mattea for working hard to understand column methods in maths and working collaboratively to help others understand.
<b>Year 3</b>	Jessica for always working hard in all lessons and Maia for working hard and challenging herself in maths.	Mannar and Virginia for working hard and having high expectations of their presentation of work, showing growth mind set.
<b>Year 4</b>	Aida and Fatjon for their excellent assembly performances.	Tereza and Dev for trying to improve their work through a growth mind set.
<b>Year 5P</b>	Shayan and Autumn for excellent reasoning in maths.	Klara and Amir for having exceptionally high standards in their homework.
<b>Year 5S</b>	Liam for excellent reasoning in maths this week and Amiya for working very hard in all aspects of her learning.	Loren and Suha for working for working incredibly hard since coming back after half term and challenging themselves on a daily basis.
<b>Year 6</b>	Danielle and Precious for fantastic work in French las week.	Sharad and Carla for applying their growth mind sets during French to produce fantastic work.



**Special birthday wishes to everyone who celebrates a birthday this week.**

**Sophia and Theodore in Reception, Gavriil in Year 1, Teagan and Aisha in Year 2, Ferdaws and Matheus in Year 4 and Yusraa and Sofia in Year 5.**

## Attendance

97% of children came to school everyday this week.

**Our target is 98%! Well done!**

All our lessons build on the day before so if your child misses one day it is like a missing brick in a building. Build the strong foundations of your child's education by ensuring that they are here every day!

**This is the total attendance for each class**

<b>Years 2, 3 &amp; 6</b>	<b>99%</b>
<b>Year 1 &amp; 4</b>	<b>97%</b>
<b>Reception &amp; Years 5S &amp; 5P</b>	<b>96%</b>

# DRESS DOWN FRIDAYS!

**To help restock our library staff will have the option of dressing down on a Friday for a small donation.**

**We would also welcome donations of any books that are in good condition.**

