



Northside Newsletter

Parent Questionnaires

Thank you to all parents, children, governors and staff who filled in school questionnaires at the end of the last academic year. Our analysis is now complete and we are pleased to be able to report the following headlines:

- * 96% of your children are very happy at Northside
- * 97% of children always find out new things in lessons
- * 100% thought that other children were friendly towards them

When asked what the children liked best about the school of course it was the MUGA and the 'amazing teachers'. When asked what they would like to change, an amazing amount said 'Nothing!' Others wanted to continue to change the play-grounds and have a football pitch in KS1 - so watch this space!

After analysing the parents responses:

- * 100% said their children were happy at Northside & liked school
- * 100% said teaching was good

The parents also had mainly positive comments about the school

- * 'I like the community spirit'
- * 'Friendly, inclusive, every child really does matter'
- * 'A friendly, inclusive environment where children are nurtured and well looked after'
- * 'A true community where everyone from pupils to staff to parents know each other well'

Thank you to all children and parents who completed the questionnaire. We will be looking into some of your suggestions for changes to our school.

School Meals Tasting Session

We will be having a school meals taster session on Wednesday 2nd November at 3.30pm. So please come along to the small hall with your child and have a taste of our wonderful school meals. A copy of the school meals menu can be obtained from the office. We hope to see lots of you there.

Next week is half term so school

will be closed to all pupils.

School will re-open on Monday

31st October for all pupils.

We would like to wish you

all a happy and safe holiday.

Motown Workshops

Last Friday the whole school took part in exciting dance workshops with Don Rae. October is Black History Month and we celebrated with Motown Dances.

Sofia in Year 2 said 'It was really fun, we learned a dance and then performed it in assembly. I hope Don comes back again soon. Anoush in Year 2 was picked to do a solo dance 'I felt very special to be chosen for the solo dance. I had to pretend to be Michael Jackson, I really enjoyed it, everyone did!' Year 6 danced to 'Mr Postman' and some other classes danced to 'ABC', 'Heatwave and 'Ain't No Mountain High Enough'. We had lots of fun and it was exciting and enjoyable. By Dorotea and Hanying in Year 6

Clubs

There are no clubs the first week back after a holiday. Clubs will restart on Monday 7th November. After School Care Club and Breakfast Club will run as usual.

3B Class Assembly

3B did an astonishing assembly on mythical creatures. They acted out the story of how George slayed the dragon and made up a song to go with their assembly. It was an amazing assembly, they taught us and showed us some pictures that they had drawn. By Clive and Maani in Year 5

Librarys

The school library is open to parents from 3.30-4.00pm every Wednesday so please come along and choose some books with your children.
The maths lending library is open every Friday morning at 8.55am in the Red Room.

Reminders

Nut Free School A number of children and staff at Northside School have allergies to nuts. In some cases contact with nuts can make them very ill. Therefore our school is a 'Nut Free School'. Please ensure that your child does not bring nuts or nut products to school. For children who have packed lunch please remember that peanut butter sandwiches should be avoided as this can also cause allergic reactions!

Money If you need to pay money to the office for any reason please send it into school with your child in their book bag. The correct money should be sent in a envelope clearly labelled with your child's name, class, amount enclosed and what the money is for. We will not accept payments in the office.

Playground Equipment Please note that the play equipment in the main playground is **not** to be used by the children before or after school. This is to comply with health and safety regulations.

Contact Information Have you moved home or changed any of your phone numbers? If you have please inform the office so we can update our records.

2016/17 Term Dates

Friday 21st October	INSET Day - School Closed
Monday 24th - 28th October	Half Term - School Closed
Monday 31st October	School reopens for all
Wednesday 2nd November	3P class assembly
Wednesday 2nd November	School Meals Taster Session - 3.30pm
Friday 4th November	Individual Photographs
Wednesday 9th November	Year 4 class assembly - 9.00am
Friday 11th November	Year 6 Remembrance Assembly
Monday 14th November	PSHE Week
Tuesday 15th November	Year 6 visiting The RAF Museum
Friday 18th November	Year 5 Play in a Day - Assembly at 2.45pm
Friday 18th November	Year 6 visiting The Imperial War Museum
Friday 25th November	Olympian Day
Wednesday 30th November	St Andrews Days
Monday 5th December	Years 3B & 3P visiting The Museum of London
Wednesday 7th December	Pathways Assembly
Wednesday 14th December	KS1 Production
Thursday 15th December	KS1 Production
Friday 16th December	Christmas Jumper Day - Donate £1 to Save The Children
Monday 19th December	Panto - Cinderella
Tuesday 20th December	Class Parties
Wednesday 21st December	End of Term - School finishes at 2.30pm
Tuesday 3rd January	INSET Day - School Closed
Wednesday 4th January	School Reopens for Reception - Year 6

This Week's Achievement Award Winners



Year 1	Elisa for her hard work in literacy using phonic sounds and Loris for fantastic work in numeracy.
Year 2	Imran for an amazing biography of Florence Nightingale and Adarsh for a superb Bridget Riley style black line design in art.
Year 3B	Benjamin for working really hard with his handwriting in literacy and Nuha for being really focused in numeracy and always trying her hardest.
Year 3P	Erdita for writing an excellent resolution to her mythical creature story and Sofia for growing in confidence and for being keen to participate in all lessons.
Year 4	Nihal for becoming more confident during topic lessons and Vivian for having a super attitude in all her work.
Year 5	Ishaq and Maani for a great effort in their chapter contributions.
Year 6	Aretas and Edris for trying hard to focus during assessment week.

Class of the Week

Year 2



Year 3P



Challenge Winners

The winners of this week's numeracy challenge are Kian in Year 1, Ameesha, Tiffany and Elisa in Year 4.

Raffle Winners

The winners of this week's raffle are Sadra in Reception, Jessica in Year 1, Johnny in Year 2, Kelsiana in 3B, Saki in 3P, Vivian in Year 4, Salvatore in Year 5 and Neil in Year 6.

Attendance

Year 2 had the best attendance this week, with 99% attendance! **Excellent!!!!**

97% of children came to school everyday this week.

Well done!

Special birthday wishes to everyone who celebrates a birthday this week & in half term.

Artie & Robin A in Reception, Daniel in Year 1, Sharina in Year 3, Precious and Ryan in Year 4 and Ishaq in Year 5.

