



# Northlands News

## Northlands Primary School and Nursery

25th October 2024

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Dear Parents what a week to end the half term! Year six had a great visit to Hampton Court Palace, the children enjoyed our 'Frite Night' discos, Year 1 dressed as builders for their DT day and the whole school enjoyed a visit from two storytellers.

I continue to be humbled by how hard our children work and how well they engage in the activities offered to them. This wouldn't be possible without the hard work of all school staff. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you, our wonderful parents, for your support and positive comments. I hope you have a restful half term break and I look forward to welcoming you back on 4th November! **Mr Figg**



### Hampton Court Palace for Year 6

Year 6 recently visited Hampton Court Palace, where they explored the stunning palace gardens, interacted with people from the court and deepened their knowledge of the Tudors.

As they wandered through the historic grounds, each class attended a workshop led by one of King Henry's gentry, William Finn, where they learnt more about the lavish lifestyle of King Henry VIII's court.



The children were dazzled by poets and servants throughout the palace grounds, allowing them to gain insights into royal intrigues and daily life during Henry's reign. All the children had a memorable experience at one of England's most iconic landmarks. The blend of education and adventure made for an enriching day at the palace.



### Year 1 Builder Day

This week, the Year 1 children had an amazing time building houses as part of their Design & Technology topic. The children were very



hardworking and practised lots of useful skills, such as cutting, joining and folding. They had so much fun building the houses and they were very proud of their final product. Let's hope the Big Bad Wolf doesn't try to blow them down!



### Black History Heroes

This week, children across the school have been learning about Black Historical Heroes and their achievements as part of Black History Month.



Claire Linney spoke to year 4 & 5 about some famous Black Britons and Wendy Shearer entertained the rest of the school with stories from Africa and the Caribbean!



**BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2024**



### Free Online Safety and Exploitation Awareness Session for Parents/Carers

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024

7:30-9:30pm

Delivered virtually via Zoom

If you want to learn more about how young people are spending their time online and how to spot the signs of exploitation – this is the event for you.

The session will provide you with key tips and advice to protect your young people from online grooming and exploitation.

To attend – click on the below link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88219914815>



## Northlands Nursery Apprentice Required

Age 17+. 30 hours per week (term-time only) + 6 hours a week off-the-job learning

Hours of work 8:30 - 3:30

Salary – National Apprenticeship Wage

We are looking to appoint an Apprentice Nursery Assistant to start with us from January. No experience is necessary, as you will learn on the job working alongside Northland's qualified Nursery Practitioners. If you do not already have a GCSE Grade 4/C in Maths & English, you will also need to study for equivalents of these alongside your course. You will have a structured learning programme including both 'on the job' and 'off the job' activities, designed to cover everything you need to learn. Your tutor will meet with you regularly to guide you through your learning. You will be supported by us to build a portfolio of evidence and have plenty of opportunity to put into practice the new skills you are learning. Please complete an application form via Essex Schools Jobs and enter 'Northlands' into the search option or a hard copy is available from the office.



### Outside school success

Well done to Sadie who was awarded swimming star of the week.



Very ambitious!

Next up, a big well

done to Amelia who

had her first grading (to go up a belt colour) and she passed! She gained her red stripe belt. Not bad for only starting 5 weeks ago.



## Autumn Term 2024 Diary Dates

Monday 28th to Friday 1st November October Half Term

Monday 4th November	All children return after half term
Tuesday 5th November	3:30-5:30 Parents Evening
Wednesday 6th November	4:00-5:00 Parents Evening
Monday 11th November	Start of Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 12th November	2:20pm Fir Class assembly to parents & Anti-Bullying Week odd socks day
Thursday 14th November	2:20pm Spruce Class assembly to parents
Friday 15th November	Hazel Class at Forest School
Tuesday 19th November	2:20pm Poplar Class assembly to parents
Thursday 21st November	2:20pm Alder Class assembly to parents & Year 5 trip to Duxford Museum
Friday 22nd November	Hazel Class at Forest School
Monday 25th November	Start of KS2 Shakespeare Week in English
Thursday 28th November	10:00am and 2:00pm Year 6 production to parents
Friday 29th November	Hazel Class at Forest School
Wednesday 4th December	10:00 and 2:00pm Year 2 productions to parents
Friday 6th December	Maple Class at Forest School
Tuesday 10th December	10:00 and 2:00pm Year 1 productions to parents
Thursday 12th December	Whole school Christmas Dinner and Infant Christmas sale
Friday 13th December	Maple Class at Forest School & Junior Christmas sale
Tuesday 17th December	10:00 and 2:00pm Reception production to parents
Thursday 19th December	10:00 Nursery production to parents & clubs finish
Friday 20th December	Last day of Autumn Term

Monday 23rd December to Friday 3rd January 2025 Christmas Break

