



# Northlands News

## Northlands Primary School and Nursery

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Dear Parents, this week we have seen more topic launch days across the school. Topic launches are a powerful way to ignite curiosity, immerse children in their learning and provide hands-on experiences to bring subjects to life. Through these inspiring beginnings, pupils are encouraged to ask questions, explore ideas and take pride in their new knowledge. We believe that when learning captures the imagination, children are motivated to aim higher and persevere. Together, we continue to **Inspire, Challenge, Succeed**—ensuring every child is supported to reach their full potential. *Mr Figg*



### Year 3 Unearth The Ancient Egyptians



This week, the children in Year 3 had an amazing immersive Ancient Egyptian Day for the start of our topic. We watched the mummification process and learnt how the internal organs were extracted and put in canopic jars shaped like the Egyptian Gods. We used papyrus paper, reed pencils and ink to write in hieroglyphs, learnt how to play some Egyptian games and made some clay amulets. We even got to handle and explore some real life Egyptian artefacts from 2500 years ago.



The workshops were led by Ani, who had so many amazing stories and facts that the children have become Ancient Egyptian experts! A great day was had by all!



Year 4 had an adventurous Viking Day. We launched our new topic by discovering the different jobs

Vikings would have had and how their warriors set sail on their infamous long boats to invade and raid their Anglo-Saxon neighbours. As Vikings we made our sturdy shields to take with us into our glorious feast where we tried some foods that would have been eaten. Year 4 are very excited to continue their learning journey in history.



### Celebration Assembly Stars

A huge well done to these children for starring in our Celebration Assemblies this week. Well done for following our school values of being hardworking, respectful, honest and ambitious.



## Spring Term Diary Dates

Monday 19th January	Start of National Story Telling Week	
Thursday 22nd January	2:20 Holly Class Assembly to parents	
Friday 23rd January	Maple Class at Forest School	
Thursday 29th January	2:20 Rowan Class Assembly to parents	
Friday 30th January	Maple Class at Forest School	
Tuesday 3rd February	2:20 Magnolia Class Assembly to parents	
Friday 6th February	Willow Class at Forest School	
Monday 9th February	Start of 'Decades Week'	
Tuesday 10th February	Safer Internet Day	
Friday 13th February	Decades Week dress up and Willow Class at Forest School	
<b>Spring Half-Term Break: Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February</b>		
Friday 27th February	Willow Class at Forest School	
Wednesday 4th March	Year 6 at Towngate Theatre for Crucial Crew	
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day dress up	
Friday 6th March	Hawthorn Class at Forest School	
Thursday 12th March	10:00am and 2:00pm Year 5 Production to parents & Infant Mothers' Day Sale	
Friday 13th March	Junior Mothers' Day Sale and Hawthorn Class at Forest School	
Wednesday 18th March	10:00am and 2:00pm Year 4 Production to parents	
Friday 20th March	Hawthorn Class at Forest School	
Tuesday 24th March	Year 4 trip to Wildwood	
Wednesday 25th March	10:00am and 2:00pm Year 3 Production to parents	
Thursday 26th March	Annual Reports sent home & 1:40 School Choir performance at Lee Chapel	
Friday 27th March	Nursery Easter Bonnet Parade & Beech Class at Forest School & Celebration of Faith Day	
<b>Easter Break: Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April</b>		
Monday 13th April	All children return for Summer Term	

## Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Thank you to everyone who brought in plastic sweet and chocolate tubs. We were able to give over 300 tubs and lids to Greene King who will recycle these.



## Year 6 Democracy Days

This week, Year 6 travelled through history to explore the origins and development of democracy. Their journey took them from the Ancient Greek council meetings on the slopes of the Acropolis in Athens, through to the early Parliament of King Edward III, and finally to our modern-day House of Commons.



Working in groups, the children created their own political parties based on the UK government system and held their own parliamentary session. They debated key ideas, shared different viewpoints and experienced first-hand how laws and decisions are discussed and made. Order, order — the Speaker calls the House to attention!



**EXCITING NEWS!**

We have been working on a new website which is incoming soon!

Keep a look out for further updates!