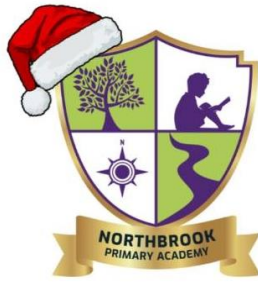


# FRIDAY



# LETTER

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023



## VALUE FOCUS

This half-term our value focus is empathy. We are challenging all the children to:

- ✓ Everyone in our school treats each other with care and compassion.
- ✓ We listen to each other and show kindness.
- ✓ We offer support to each other.
- ✓ We are committed to promoting positive mental health and well-being for everyone.

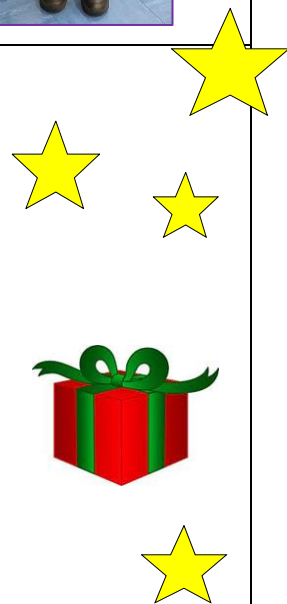


## ★ 'Star of the Week' Awards

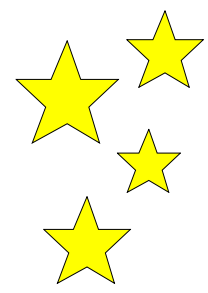
Reception	Oscar K & Minnie R
Year 1	Ollie D-F & Lyla M
Year 2	Imogen R-W & Maksims C
Year 3	Aaron P & Lacey W
Year 4	Lucas B & Elouise F
Year 5	Axel B & Richard J
Year 6	Leona D & Abi L

## ★ THIS WEEK'S BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 3  
97.6%  
Well Done!



**Reading Rewards....** To achieve the bronze award pin badge, the children need to earn 60 reading points, silver 200 reading points and gold 300 reading points. Well done to the children below for achieving the awards this week. We will present the reading awards in assembly on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December:



**Bronze:**

Harley C	Year 1	Alex P	Year 3
Georgia Tanser	Year 1	Jamie T	Year 4
Nancy W	Year 1	Joshua E	Year 6
Elise B	Year 2	Lorenzo J	Year 6
Reggie B	Year 2	Jacob O'C	Year 6
Maksims C	Year 2		

This week in **Year 1** we have been learning about penguins for our English unit. We took an iPad and went looking for the different penguin facts that Mrs Wilson had hidden around school. The children could read the facts and then take pictures of the facts to help remember them.



In **Year 3**, we kick started our new English genre, by exploring the features of a fable. We learnt that a fable was a short story, typically with animals as characters, conveying a moral. We then listened to a fable, listening closely for sounds that may give us a clue what was happening in the story. We then made a prediction about who the characters may be, where the fable was taking place and what had happened!



**Important messages**



Miss Sangster will leave us today to take on a new role away from Northbrook. Miss Sangster has worked as a Teaching Assistant in Year 1, supporting the children to make the very best progress they can. As many of you are aware, we have recently advertised for two teaching assistant positions, and we will write to you in the near future to let you know who our new members of staff will be! We would like to thank Miss Sangster for her hard work and wish her the very best for the future.



**KS1 & KS2 Christmas Performances:** We are looking forward to welcoming you into Northbrook Primary Academy to watch the KS1 'Nativity' and the KS2 'Twas the Night Before Christmas' performances. Thank you to those parents that have returned the ticket requests. The children will be bringing home the ticket allocations on Monday. If you haven't requested tickets but would like to please phone the office on 01772 412599.



- Tuesday 12th December – KS1 Christmas Play 1:30pm-2:30pm.
- Wednesday 13 December - KS1 Christmas Play 4:30pm-5:30pm.
- Thursday 14th December – KS2 Christmas Play 1:30-2:30pm & 6:00pm-7:00pm



**Well done to our amazing Ten Pin bowlers**, who won the inaugural Panathlon Challenge regional event, at 'The Level' in Preston this week. They now get the chance to compete in the next round in Bolton. Special recognition also goes to, Oliver for the highest number of strikes and Lorenzo for the highest score in the competition... Awesome Team NPA!



Once again South Ribble Borough Council are providing support to families in South Ribble by providing free children's activities and healthy meals during the upcoming school holiday. This Christmas, they have an exciting programme of events including a pantomime, skateboarding, gymnastics, swimming, football and much more. Including 'Active Camp' based at Northbrook Primary Academy, for Years 1 to Year 6, on Tuesday 2nd, Wednesday 3rd, Thursday 4th & Friday 5th January.

Families of children who qualify for free school meals, or children who would benefit from a place due to meeting any of the other criteria, can book their place soon (see the HAF website for details of the criteria: <https://bit.ly/3t8xyDJ>)

**Booking will open in the next few days, why not follow their Facebook page for updates.**

**Year 6 Bikeability will take place on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January.**

Bikeability involves first morning on the playground achieving the Level 1 award. If the riders are competent and pass Level 1 they will then go out in the afternoon to start learning the skills required for Level 2 on quiet roads. All children are required to pass the Level 1 award before they can move onto Level 2.

All our Year 6 children brought the flyer and consent form home yesterday. **Please return these forms by Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December**, so we can then organise the groups and inform the children and parents on which days they are required to bring their bike into school if they have one.

We will also be running 'Tots on Tyres' for Reception and 'Scoot Safe' for Year 3, at the start of the new term. We will be sending information out before we break and will remind the parents and children when we come back after the holidays!

**Message for Year 4 & Year 5: Please note that there will be no Forest School provision next week for Year 4 and Year 5 due to the Nativity and KS2 School Performances. Thank you!**

**Key Dates for the half-term:**

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- Wednesday 20th December – Christmas party day (non uniform day)
- Friday 22nd December – Termly celebration assembly/school closes at 2:10/2:15pm. (there is no Afterschool Club provision on this day)



If you need to contact me at school please do not hesitate to email [enquiries@northbrookpa.org](mailto:enquiries@northbrookpa.org)  
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**Have a great weekend and see you on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December!**