

FRIDAY LETTER



Friday 1st April 2022

VALUE FOCUS



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

- ✓ Value diversity.
- ✓ Show tolerance and promote equality.
- ✓ Use good manners and kind words.

HEART of Northbrook Award Winners:

Reception	Emmi A & Lewis T
Year 1	Lottie-Mae H & Aaron P
Year 2	Harry R & Jessica O
Year 3	Poppy H & Daniel R
Year 4	Harvey B & Poppy D
Year 5	Elsie D & Harry H
Year 6	Lucy N & Max K

THIS WEEK'S BEST ATTENDANCE GOES TO...

Year 6
99.1%
Awesome!



Special recognition to Oscar M who is leaving us as he moving from the area. Very best wishes to Oscar and his family. We know you will be successful at Lancaster Lane – they are lucky to have you!



House Team Competition: Each week in the 'Friday Celebration Assembly' we have been checking the totals of the house points.



1 st	Blue Team
2 nd	Yellow Team
2 nd	Red Team
4 th	Green Team

Blue Team have maintained their top spot and picked up the win this half-term!

Some of the Blue House receiving their chocolate milk and cookies for their house team win this term! Well done Blue Team...



Attendance Awards: The children listed below have achieved 100% attendance this term! Children with their name in **purple** have achieved 100% for both the Autumn and Spring Term...well done!

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Emmi A	Charlotte C	Olivia A	Katie A	Lilly-May B	Lily B	Olly A
Molly B	Kobe C	Kaeden D	Darcie B	Joshua E	Archie B	Lily D
Elise B	Joey H	Abbie-Rose F	Elliott H-H	Robyn F	Kaiden E	Max K
Isabelle F	Eddie M	Freddie H	Poppy H-H	Erin F	Bailey H	Jonathan L
Noah H	Alex P	Freya J	Parker H	Lorenzo J	Phoebe H	Lily O'C
Meerab S	Demi P	Theo K	Richard J	Abi L	Harry H	Lucas P
Lewis T	Edward S	Medi M	Reiss L	Jacob O'C	Jacob W	Ryan P
Fionn W		Harry R	Caoimhe M	Elliott S	Paighton W	Ben W
		Lily S	Leon R	Alfie Y	Rorey W	Lottie W
		Jamie T	Daniel R	Emily Z		
		Daniel W	Cara T			

Special recognition goes to Thomas B in Year 5 who has the most improved attendance this term! Well done and keep it up!

A Fond Farewell ...



Today we say goodbye to Mrs Powers who finishes her maternity cover contract. Unfortunately, Mrs Powers has been absent due to illness this week but we are really pleased that she has been able to return to school today and say goodbye to all the children in reception. We are sure that you will join with us to give her a lovely farewell and thank her for her hard work and commitment to the school and wish her the very best for the future. Miss



Cookson, who returns from her maternity leave after the holidays, has already been working alongside Mrs Powers over the last few weeks to ensure that she knows all the reception children as individuals and together they can build on their learning and have a successful summer term.



Next week, we also say goodbye to our Caretaker Mr Allen, who will start his new job after the school holidays. We want to thank Mr Allen for his commitment to the school and his hard work ensuring the entire site runs smoothly so we can get on with our core business of teaching and learning. We wish Mr Allen all the very best and we will all miss his big smile and his lively sense of humour around school. We know he is sad to leave but also excited about the new opportunity he has secured.



Important messages

Holiday Activity Programme and Food Programme - South Ribble Borough Council are delivering a programme of holiday activities on the school site over the second week of the holidays (Monday 11th to Thursday 14th April 9:00am-1:00pm). The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) scheme aims to provide healthy food and enriching activities for children aged 5 to 16 who are eligible for free school meals. There will be a variety of activities on offer at venues across the borough. This provision is:

- Free of charge
- Offers fun activities and experiences
- Includes a meal and refreshments



For more information please check the website www.southribble.gov.uk/haf2022

Family Support - Many parents have commented positively this term on the work undertaken by Mrs Cole (Inclusion Co-ordinator) and Mr Aindow (Pastoral & Behaviour Manager) in supporting our children as individuals but also our families as a whole. After the holidays Mrs Cole will be working in partnership with Sharon Beirne, our link CAMHS practitioner, to host support sessions for parents to encourage their children to develop positive behaviour choices. These sessions will help to empower parents to cope effectively and strengthen relationships with their children as well as build up support networks. The sessions will run from 9:00am-11:30am on Thursdays on the dates listed below.

- Thursday 5th May
- Thursday 12th May
- Thursday 19th May
- Thursday 26th May
- Thursday 9th June
- Thursday 23rd June



Refreshments will be available during each session and If you are interested in attending please contact us at school after the break.

Uniform and Appearance - We are very hopeful next year of adding a local uniform supplier in addition to Monkhouse and will confirm these plans next term. We would like to remind everyone of our expectations related to uniform and the key information can be found on our website [here](#). A key feature of our policy is what we wear (uniform) and how we wear it (appearance). In summary, some key points of note are:



- Grey skirt/pinafore, trousers. In summer grey tailored shorts or purple and white gingham dress.
- Leather style and sturdy school shoes for non-PE days – *trainers and ballet style pumps are not permitted.*
- Full PE kit required for PE days (NPA hoodie & t-shirt, plain black shorts, plain black jogging bottoms and trainers)
- Plain black jogging bottoms (on PE days).
- Hair colour should be natural with no severe cuts or styles.

We will be enforcing our uniform and appearance policy rigorously after the holidays.

You can find further information on our website link <https://northbrookpa.org/parents-carers/school-uniform>. Please can parents also ensure their children's uniform is clearly labelled with their name and that children have a coat for school even when the weather is warm.

Support and Signposting – Personal Support and Mental Health: We would like to remind parents that there is a range of support available even when we are not in school. On our 'Parents/Carers' section of our school website [here](#) as there are contact details for further help and signposts to reliable information and support.

Important dates for the half-term ahead...

- **Tuesday 19th April** – School reopens at 8:45am for all children.
- **Thursday 21st April** – Dogs Trust Assembly & Presentations
- **Friday 29th April** – School Closed – Queen's Jubilee
- **Monday 9th May to Friday 13th May** – SATS Week

If you need to contact me at school please do not hesitate to email m.cunniffe@northbrookpa.org
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See you on Tuesday 19th April. Have a great holiday and take care!