

# FRIDAY



# LETTER

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023



Happiness  
Empathy  
Aspiration  
Respect  
Teamwork

A great school at the heart of our community

## 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.

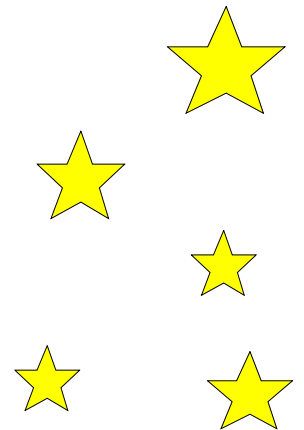
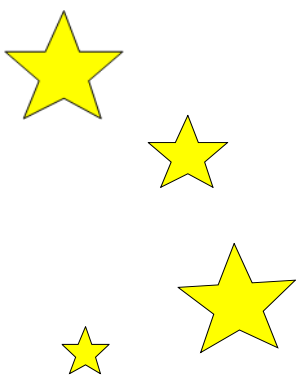
## ★ 'Star of the Week' Awards ★

Reception	Zachary M & Alfie R
Year 1	Eliza B & Mia M-L
Year 2	Meerab S & Izzy W
Year 3	Seth L & Edward S
Year 4	Fif O & Brandon H
Year 5	Poppy H & Oliver W
Year 6	Robyn F & Erin F

## ★ THIS WEEK'S BEST ATTENDANCE ★



Reception  
98.2%  
Well Done!



1 <sup>st</sup>	517	Green Team
2 <sup>nd</sup>	428	Blue Team
3 <sup>rd</sup>	413	Red Team
4 <sup>th</sup>	375	Yellow Team

**House Team Competition:** Each week in the 'Friday Celebration Assembly' the house captains check the totals of the house points. The league positions so far are shown below:

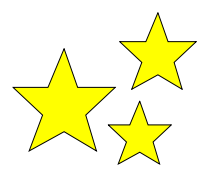
The **Green Team** have maintained the lead yet again!



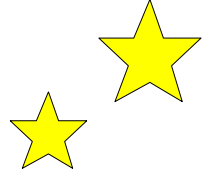
**Reading Rewards....** To achieve the bronze award pin badge, the children need to earn 60 reading points, silver 200 reading points and gold 300 reading points. Well done to the children below for achieving the awards this week:

**Bronze:**

<b>Year 1</b>	Amelia L, Mia M-L & Liam W
<b>Year 3</b>	Marnee C, Demi P & Lacey W
<b>Year 6</b>	Teddy M



This week in **Year 1** we have been retelling the story 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. We used puppets to act out the story acted out the story and talked to our partners about the sequence of the story.



This week in **Year 3** we have focussed on our observational drawings using pictures of British woodland animals. We used charcoal, paint pigment and our fingers to draw and paint like Stone Age artists did and have produced some wonderful sketches we feel would fit right in at Lascaux caves.



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We were so pleased to be working with the Anti-Bullying Alliance for Odd Socks Day and Anti-Bullying Week again this year. This year's theme for Anti Bullying Week was 'Make A Noise About Bullying'. We worked hard during the week to spread a positive message that if we all come together,

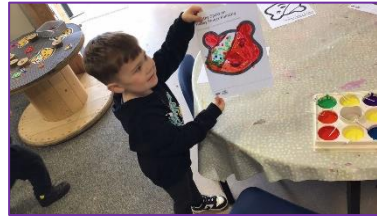


celebrate our difference, and stick up for each other, we can bring an end to bullying! During the week the children took part in a whole school assembly, considered what is meant by kindness pledged to help to stop bullying, completed a live lesson and wrote poetry about being kind to others. Well done Team NPA!



The Children in Need Big Cake Sale was a great success! Thank you for everyone's support and for all children and their families demonstrating the 'NPA Way!'. Together, we have raised over £350 for Children in Need. Well done Team NPA!  
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Polite reminder to parents and carers that the school site is a non mobile phone (phones should not be used on site) and smoking site. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



Seesaw is a fantastic tool for parents, children and staff. However, we have seen an increase in messages from parents to teachers and teaching assistants. We really value the messaging facility of Seesaw but we would like to remind parents of two key points. First, messages may not be responded to immediately during the school day as teachers and teaching assistants will be involved in working with their class. If you have an urgent query please contact the office directly on 01772 421599. Secondly, sometimes staff receive messages outside of work hours which would better directed to our central email line [enquiries@northbrookpa.org](mailto:enquiries@northbrookpa.org) so they can be picked up the next day. This just helps our staff balance work and home life. Thank you for your co-operation.



We are hoping to appoint two experienced Teaching Assistants to join our team. This is a motivating and rewarding role, for an applicant with the drive to work within an effective team.

- 4 Apply by: 9am on Thursday 7th December 2023
- 4 Interviews: Monday 11th December 2023



**We're Hiring!**  
 Teaching Assistant 2

Any questions? Please contact our Recruitment Manager, Mollie at [m.fairhurst@endeavourlearning.org](mailto:m.fairhurst@endeavourlearning.org)

For more information about these roles, and how to apply, please click the link below <https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/-1952145>

Or contact the school for further information...

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

- Friday 24th November – INSET day (school closed to children)
- Tuesday 5th December – Inclusion PE Event
- 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
- Wednesday 20th December – Christmas party day.
- Friday 22nd December – Termly celebration assembly/school closes at 2:10/2:15pm.



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 20<sup>th</sup> November!**