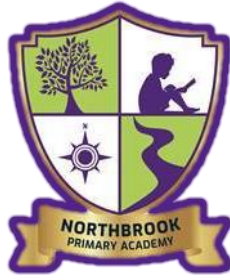


FRIDAY LETTER



Friday 20th January 2023

VALUE FOCUS

This half-term our value focus is **aspiration**. We have been supporting our children to...

- ✓ Believe in their potential.
- ✓ Aim high in everything they do.
- ✓ Be the very best they can be.



Stars of the Week

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| Reception | Darcey-Ann K & Lyla M |
| Year 1 | Molly B & Logan P |
| Year 2 | Lacey W & Demi P |
| Year 3 | Kaeden D & Jamie T |
| Year 4 | Stefan S & Anas R |
| Year 5 | Hannah N & Poppy D |
| Year 6 | Lily B & Leah E |

THIS WEEK'S BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 3
98.5%
Great - well done!



House Team Competition: Each week in the 'Friday Celebration Assembly' we have been checking the totals of the house points. Last half-term the **Red team** won the competition but who are the current leaders...

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| Red Team | 810 |
| Green Team | 513 |
| Yellow Team | 560 |
| Blue Team | 505 |

The **Red Team** have taken the lead on week three! Can they maintain it to the end of the half-term?



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 an award this week

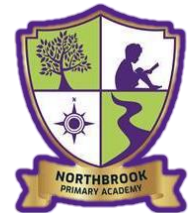
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| Rec | Elektra N, Liam W & Eliza B |
| Year 3 | Jaxon D & Medi M |
| Year 6 | Thomas B |

Special recognition must also go to the following children who have achieved the Silver Award this week – an amazing achievement!

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| Year 3 | Freddie H & Theo K |
| Year 5 | Robyn F |



Uniform and Appearance: A smart uniform is important to us in school as it helps foster a sense of belonging and equality. Please remember that our uniform and appearance policy states grey trousers or skirts and school shoes (trainers are only for PE days). With PE kit shorts, tracksuit bottoms/jogging bottoms or leggings must be plain black. You can find key information on our uniform and appearance policy on our academy website <https://northbrookpa.org/parents-carers/school-uniform> . Please do not hesitate to contact us if have any questions or require support around ensuring your child has appropriate uniform.



Impressions Uniform run a 'Savings Club' that allows parents to spread the cost of uniform and they also have a 'Smart Futures Pre-Loved Uniform' section where they sell second hand uniform for a really good price. Impressions Uniform is on Leyland Lane and can be contacted on 01772 431431. Impressions state that:



- Their Savings Club allows parents to spread the cost.
- Their Smart Futures Pre-Loved Uniforms available at a fraction of the cost
- We regularly advice to parents on ways to make uniform last longer.



Strike Action: As you may be aware from the media, the National Education Union (NEU), in accordance with the provisions of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1992, are calling upon their members to strike. Some strike days will be regional, and others will be national. The proposed industrial action dates for the North West, and impacting on our school, are: Wednesday 1st and Tuesday 28th February, and Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2023. We will endeavour to keep the school open wherever possible, however, we are writing to give you advance notice of this potential outcome so that you have time to plan childcare for your children. Over the coming days we will review guidance from the Trust, and DFE and will inform you about how the action will affect us closer to Wednesday 1st February when we are given an indication of which teachers may be taking part in the strike action. Thank you for your understanding and patience in this matter.

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<https://twitter.com/NorthbrookPrim3>

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We are pleased to announce that Mr Trainor-Tute has secured a promotion to the position of Senior Operations Manager within Endeavour Learning Trust and will start his new role working across the schools within the trust in the very near future. We will see him on a daily basis as he will be bringing Loki (our school dog) to Northbrook to ensure that our children still get the opportunity to work with him. We want to thank Mr Trainor-Tute for his hard work and dedication during his time at



Northbrook and look forward to continuing to work with him within his new role.

We are also pleased to announce that Mrs Borg will be our new Operations Manager and is currently working alongside Mr Trainor-Tute to ensure there will be a seamless transition in this important role. This means that we are currently advertising for a new Headteacher's Personal Assistant/Receptionist. The advert has recently been linked on our social media pages and can be found under 'vacancies' on our website. Again, we want to congratulate Mrs Borg on her well-deserved promotion!



Northbrook Primary Academy Vacancies: [Vacancies | Northbrook Primary Academy \(northbrookpa.org\)](https://www.northbrookpa.org/vacancies)

Extra-Curricular Clubs: Spring 1 (Jan-Feb)



| Day | Year | Activity/Time | Staff Lead |
|-----------|--------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Monday | Year 5 & 6 | Multi-skills/Multi-sports Club 3.15 - 4.15 | Miss Vanroose-peer |
| Wednesday | Years 4, 5 and 6 | Young Voices 3.15 - 4.15 | Mrs Spence |
| Thursday | Year 1 & 2 Year 3 & 4 | Lunch club 12.20 - 12.50 Multi-skills/Multi-sports Club 3.15 - 4.15 | Miss Gwynne Miss Vanroose-peer |
| Friday | Years 1 & 2 | Multi-skills/Multi-sports Club 3.15 - 4.15 | Mr McCormick |



All clubs start at the end of school and finish at 4.15pm. Children must return a letter signed by parents to attend the club and wear appropriate clothing such as their PE kit.

Key dates for the term

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| Tuesday 31 st January | Young Voices 2023 |
| Monday 6 th February | Final hand-in day for Spring 1 Homework |
| Monday 6 th February – Friday 10 th February | Children's Mental Health Week 2023 |
| Friday 10 th February | School closes for half-term at 3:10/3:15pm |
| Monday 20 th February | School re-opens for all children at 8:45am |
| Thursday 2 nd March | World Book Day |
| Friday 17 th March | Comic Relief (Non-uniform Day) |
| Thursday 23 rd March | Parents' Evening 3:30pm-6:30pm |
| Friday 31 st March | School closes for the end of term at 2:10pm |
| Monday 17 th April | School re-opens for the Summer Term at 8:45am |

If you need to contact me at school please do not hesitate to email m.cunniffe@northbrookpa.org
Tel: 01772 421599 [Contact Us | Northbrook Primary Academy](https://www.northbrookpa.org)

Have a fantastic weekend! See you on Monday 23rd January.