

# FRIDAY LETTER

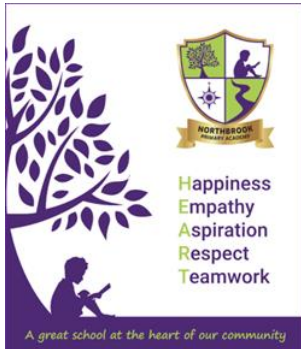


Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023

## VALUE FOCUS

This half-term our value focus is **teamwork**. We have been challenging our children to...

- ✓ work together
- ✓ take opportunities to shape and develop our school.
- ✓ to learn and improve together.

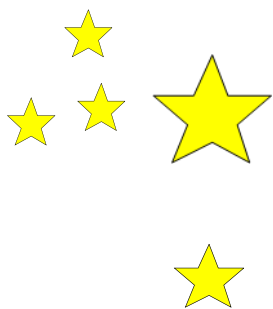


## HEART of Northbrook Award Winners

- Reception:** Marek R & Rory S  
**Year 1:** Isabelle M & Noah R-S  
**Year 2:** Joey H & Aaron P  
**Year 3:** Lily S & Millie T  
**Year 4:** Reiss L & Poppy H  
**Year 5:** Mya S & Emily Z  
**Year 6:** Vinny B

## THIS WEEK'S BEST ATTENDANCE

**Class 5**  
**97%**  
**Awesome!**



**House Team Competition:** Each week in the 'Friday Celebration Assembly' we check the totals of the house points. This half-term the winners are....

<b>Red</b>	218
<b>Yellow</b>	304
<b>Green</b>	200
<b>Blue</b>	203



The **Yellow Team** 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:



**Bronze Award**

<b>Year 1</b>	Sophia M
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**Silver Award:**

<b>Year 2</b>	Charlotte C
<b>Year 2</b>	Kobe C
<b>Year 3</b>	Lily Smith
<b>Year 5</b>	Hannah N
<b>Year 6</b>	Archie B



**In Year 1,** one of our favourite parts of the week is visiting the ICT suite! On Tuesday afternoon we logged

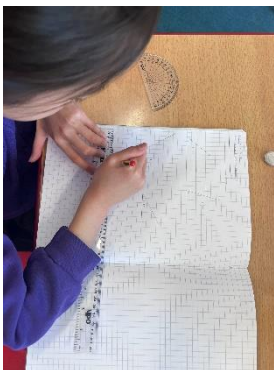
into Purple Mash to continue our maze explorer's unit. We could give our characters different instructions to reach a desired destination. The challenges got harder with each game and Year One were able to use teamwork to help each other!



**In Year 3,** Our science topic currently is light. This week we have looked at reflection and refraction. We investigated how mirrors reflect images, looking at the angle of incidence. For refraction we investigated how water slows down the speed of light and refraction occurs looking at how the appearance of a pencil above and below the water level changes.



**In Year 5,** This week in year 5, we have been learning to estimate, draw and measure angles. Additionally, we have been learning the rotations of angles both clockwise and anticlockwise.



**Additional proposed NEU strike action:** The strike days that are likely to affect a number of schools in this area are: Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023 & Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023. **On Thursday 27th April the Northbrook Primary Academy will be open to all children. As a result, all children must attend school as normal.** The NEU has posted a document for parents, carers and grandparents that explains their reasons for taking strike action. It can be found at <https://neu.org.uk/media/24511/view> if you wish to read it. We will write to you again next week to confirm any changes to arrangements for Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.



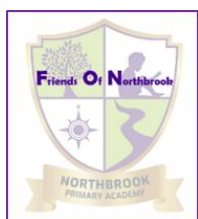
**A UK-wide emergency alert system announced by the government is due to be tested on Sunday, 23 April.** A message will appear on the home screens of mobile phones and tablets from 15:00 BST, accompanied by a loud siren-like sound or vibration lasting for about 10 seconds. Visit [gov.uk/alerts](http://gov.uk/alerts) for more information. The charity Refuge, warn the test could endanger some vulnerable people by potentially alerting an abuser to the location of a hidden phone. Refuge has produced [a video showing how to turn off the alerts](#). Drivers are also advised not to look at or touch their phone until it is safe to do so, just

as when receiving calls or messages.

**Crown Biscuits**  
Order hand made iced crown shaped biscuits in time for the Coronation. Biscuits are packaged individually and £1.50 each.

They'll be sent home on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Order and pay via Parentpay

FON are selling handmade iced crown shaped biscuits for the King's Coronation. Biscuits are £1.50 each and will be packaged individually. To order, please make payment on ParentPay 'FON Coronation Crown Biscuits'. They will be sent home with your child on Friday 5th May!



Thank you! We are extremely appreciative of all the hard work that the Friends of Northbrook undertake on the school's behalf. At the Chocolate Bingo event their efforts raised £895! During the AGM meeting on Wednesday they set their sights on organising the Summer Fair. This is a huge undertaking and FON need support. If you feel you can support the organisation running up to the event or on the day setting up or running a stall please contact FON by email [friendsofnorthbrook@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofnorthbrook@gmail.com) or speak to Mr Sharkey at school.



**Tesco Community Grants Scheme - Outdoor Learning and Safe Space:** Voting commenced on first week of April 2023 at Preston Road Exp, Chorley Tesco Extra, Leyland Tesco Extra, Earnshaw Bridge Tesco Express, Leyland Tesco Express, Buckshaw Tesco and Leyland Canber Rd Tesco Express. If we get a high number of votes we could receive the £1,500 towards our project of developing the outdoor spaces at NPA! Remember to vote, you will need to make a purchase within one of the stores above. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token – make sure your drop it the

correct box! Maybe be a bit cheeky and see if you can have more than one token too... if you don't ask you don't get! To check the location of any of the above stores, please go to the Tesco website here: <http://www.tesco.com/store-locator/uk> . Happy shopping!



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**Key dates this half-term:**

<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Bank Holiday (school closed)
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	King's Coronation – Bank Holiday (school closed)
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May</b>	SATs Week (Year 6)
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>	School closes at 3:10/3:15pm for half-term
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	INSET Day – school closed to children
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	INSET Day – school closed to children
<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	School reopens at 8:45am for the final half-term

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**Have a fantastic holiday! See you on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April for the summer term!**