

FRIDAY LETTER



Friday 21st October 2022

VALUE FOCUS



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

- ✓ Work together so that we can all be happy, safe and secure.
- ✓ Care about each other so we create a positive learning environment.
- ✓ Show smiling faces, use good manners and offer a warm welcome to all our visitors.
- ✓ Value and celebrate all successes.

NPA School Value Awards 'Happiness'

Reception	Eliza B & Mia M-L
Year 1	Kayden C & Isla A-M
Year 2	Marnee C & Seth L
Year 3	Freddie S & Harry R
Year 4	Amber C & Poppy H-H
Year 5	Joshua E & Kerem O
Year 6	Lily B & Paighton W

THIS WEEK'S BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 5
100%
Awesome!



House Team Competition: Each week in the 'Friday Celebration Assembly' the house captains check the totals of the house points.

1 st	1547	Red Team
2 nd	1441	Yellow Team
3 rd	1253	Blue Team
4 th	1201	Green Team

The winner this half-term was the **RED TEAM** ...
Remember that next half-term the scores will return to zero, so it's anyone's to win!

Attendance Half-term 1: We challenge all our children to achieve an attendance figure of 98% or above. We are really proud of the fact that our children want to attend school and that our families support us by ensuring our children have a really positive attendance! This half-term the following children have an attendance figure of 98% or above. Amazing!

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Ella A	Sophia M	Marnee C	Freddie S	Katie A	Alfie Y	Lily B
Eliza B	Noah R-S	Charlotte C	Alex W	Darcie B	Lilly-May B	Archie B
Talia B	Isla A-M	Kobe C	Abbie-Rose F	Poppy H-H	Roman C	Leah E
Arla-Rae F	Elise B	Lottie MH	Freddie H	Parker H	Leona D	Thomas B
Harper H-C	Reggie B	Joey H	Theo K	Richard J	Jakeob D	Vinny B
Eliza J	Kayden C	Millie H	Medi M	Layla L	Joshua E	Oliver D
Amelia L	Amelia F	Eddie M	Ruby M	Maison M	Robyn F	Elsie D
Mia M-L	Cohvan F	Demi P	Harry R	India N	Scarlett F	Kaiden E
Oliver M-H	Melih O	Lucy R-S	Finn S	Daniel R	Lukas L	Bailey H
Lyla M	Logan P		Jamie T	Stefan S	Abi L	Phoebe H
Elektra N	Lewis T		Daniel W	Amber C	Hannah N	Harry H
Archie P	Fionn W			Elliott H-H	Jacob O	Harvey H
Elizabeth R	Izzy W			Reiss L	Kerem O	Leo N
Ezra S	Zachery W			Caoimhe M	Elliott S	Paighton W
Georgia T				Elissia M	Emily Z	
Nancy W				Cemil O		
				Cara T		
				Oliver W		

Special recognition goes to Thomas B in Y5 for having the most improved attendance in the school this half-term. Well done Thomas



A reminder...



- In our Friday assemblies we would like to celebrate our children's successes from outside of school. Please let us know through SeeSaw of any achievements that they are proud of and we will select some to be mentioned in our assemblies or in their classrooms!

Our next 'Open Day' will take place on Wednesday 16th November at 10:00am and 6:00pm, when parents and their children will have the opportunity to see our wonderful school. Please contact us at school to book into the most convenient time slot.

Northbrook Primary Academy
OPEN DAY
Thursday 13th October
2pm and 6pm
Wednesday 16th November
10am and 6pm
“A nurturing environment where every child is supported to achieve their full potential.”
01772 421599
enquiries@northbrookpa.org
northbrookpa.org

If your child is starting Reception in September 2023 we recommend you review the information on the Lancashire County Councils website [here](#).

The closing date for applying for a reception place is **January 15th 2023**.



Moving on to High School ... If your child is in Year 6, information about applying for Year 7 places for September 2023 can be found [here](#).

The closing date for applying for a secondary school place is **October 31st 2022**. We have run drop-in sessions to support parents to complete the applications yesterday and today and will run a final session on Monday 31st October 3:30-4:30pm. Please come to the main office if you would like some support and guidance to complete the application form.



Changing the world together ... We are so proud of these fantastic Y5 children and their classmates. After getting a unanimous decision from the local council for their 'don't let go' proposal, they presented at the Endeavour Learning Trust Leaders meeting this morning to convince the Multi-Academy Trust leaders to adopt their 'promise' to be more environmentally friendly. After the children's heart felt presentation the leaders voted unanimously to adopt the pledge across the ELT schools!

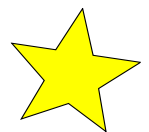
We at Northbrook promise to look after our planet by not releasing balloons or Chinese lanterns at any event.
We will use biodegradable or recyclable products when we can.
We pledge to recycle and reuse plastics and paper and turn off electrical items when not in use.



Reading Rewards...

We have been really pleased with the focus the children have had on their reading this half-term. Thank you to all of you that have supported your child's reading at home. To reward the children we have introduced a bronze, silver and gold reward system! To achieve the bronze award pin badge the children need to earn 60 reading points. Well done to the children below for achieving this standard during the first 7 weeks in school. Great work!

Year 1	Reggie B, Efe I & Lewis T
Year 2	Kobe C
Year 3	Theo K & Freddie H
Year 5	Abi L, Emily Z, Leona D and Robyn F
Year 6	Archie B, Bailey H, Crystal C, Phoebe H, Leon M, Paighton W, Shayne S, Chanice S, Elsie D



Kids Night In... On Wednesday 19th October, Northbrook Primary Academy and the

Friends of Northbrook hosted our first event this academic year, inviting the children to stay in school to watch a film, grab a hot dog and spend time with friends. Thank you for supporting us! The event raised over £250 which will be used to buy sports kits for our children when they compete in local sports events. As soon as we get our new kits we will post some photos of our children looking great and taking part in competitive sport!



£250



OCTOBER HALF TERM ACTIVITIES

22 October - 30 October, 2022

HAF Plus

Fun activities and healthy food for children on Free School Meals during the October Half Term, funded by South Ribble Borough Council.

- FREE Activities for all children on free school meals
- FREE Food with every session
- Activities include swimming, tennis, gymnastics & gym sessions

For children aged 4-16, restrictions apply across the different activities. Children who are not on free school meals are welcome to turn up and sign in on the day providing we have spaces on the activity.

To book your child's place, visit southribble.gov.uk/haf or contact us at haf@southribble.gov.uk



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Half Term Activities Club: South Ribble Borough Council are offering fun activities and healthy food in October half term for those children that are entitled to free school meals. If you are interested in booking a place visit www.southribble.gov.uk/haf

Please remember that children that are not entitled to free school meals are still able to turn up on the day to see if there are any spaces available!



Wellfield Academy will be hosting their Christmas Fair & Market on Saturday 3rd December.

Northbrook Primary Academy will have a stall at the event and we would like good quality children's clothes, games and toys to sell on the day. If you have any good quality second hand items that fit these categories please bring them into school by Friday 2nd December.

Make sure you put the date in your diary and pop along and see us at the Christmas Fair & Market!



WELLFIELD ACADEMY PTFA

Christmas Fair & Market

FOOD & DRINKS, ARTS & CRAFT, SANTA'S GROTTO, FUN & GAMES, CHRISTMAS GIFTS and MORE

SATURDAY 3RD DEC 11AM-3PM

ENTRY £1, CHILDREN FREE

THE SPORTS HALL, WELLFIELD ACADEMY

TO BOOK A STALL: wellfieldacademyptfa@gmail.com
Stalls are £10 and must hold public liability insurance

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PROGRAMMES ON SALE HERE

LEYLAND ROUND TABLE PRESENTS.....

BONFIRE & FIREWORK DISPLAY 2022

Saturday 5th November

Worden Park, Leyland

GATES OPEN @ 6PM BONFIRE @ 6.30PM FIREWORKS @ 7.45PM

LEYLAND

BONFIRE

SPECTACULAR PYRO-MUSICAL FIREWORK DISPLAY

WIDE RANGE OF FOOD & DRINKS STALLS

FUN FAIR & LIVE MUSIC

Price £4.00 (on the night £5) Under 5's FREE

Once again, Leyland Round Table will be holding one the county's premier firework display at Worden Park, as they have done for over 50 years.

The dramatic pyro-musical display of over £14,000 of Fireworks, supplied and coordinated by a specialist Pyrotechnics company, is a safe and inexpensive way to enjoy 'Guy Fawkes Night.'

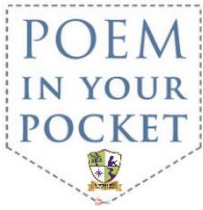
Admission by programme will cost £4 (free to under 5s) and admission on the night is charged at £5 per person (free to under 5s)

For every programme we sell at Northbrook Primary Academy, Leyland Round Table will donate 50p to the school – 200 programmes gives us £100 for the school. Gates open at 6:00pm, with the bonfire lit at 6:30pm and the fireworks will start at 7:45pm.



Poetry Competition

We had a lovely day when we hosted our 'Poem in Your Pocket' event last week. At the same time we also challenged our children to enter a poetry competition focused on the theme on the environment. Well done to everyone that took the time to enter. The winners of the competition were:



Year 2	Charlotte Cottam
Year 3	Dawson C & Harry R
Year 4	Darcie B
Year 5	Abi L
Year 6	Paighton W



Stan is my dog.
Stan is my man.
He makes me smile.
Whenever he can.

His barnet is cool.
His lips always drool,
When someone's at the door,
He turns into a fool!

Mary is my cat.
She isn't very fat.
She's really quite furry.
Bt she is not scary.



Charlotte Cottam
Y2

Bonfire Night

One night a year,
On dark night cold night,
Everyone comes together.
On Bonfire Night.

Children wrapped up warm,
With their gloves and hats.
Remembering to wipe their feet,
On their front door mats.

The fire burns big and bright,
Whilst fireworks fill the sky with light.
Going home ready for bed,
Mummy says let's have hot chocolate instead!



Dawson
Cornthwaite, Y3

A Special Bird

I was having a happy day,
Until I left the house.
I came across a little injured bird.

I picked up the bird to take care of it,
And tried to make it better.
As I held it in my hands,
He fell asleep and went to heaven.

So, if you ever come across an injured bird,
Try to keep it safe.
Because birds are very precious.



Harry Reynolds, Y3

First, we start with winter,
Then going through the year,
Blossoms start to grow,
And shoots of green appear,
Now it's getting warmer,
Summer is on its way
The sky is turning blue,
We're off on holiday!
As the days grow shorter,
We're going back to school,
The leaves are changing colour,
Now it's starts to cool,
Hats and scarves coming out,
Christmas almost here!
The world it seems has gone to sleep,
Ready for spring next year!



Abi Lewis, Y5

Penguins are cute!

Eating fish to survive.

Neon orange feet.

Going flap, flap, flap on the ground.

United with other penguins.

Igloo as a house.

Nice little creatures, they're my favourite.

Darcie Blair, Y4



Rats live in darkness away from the sun,
Deep underground where the sewage runs.
They're very dirty and also smelly,
With little legs and a round hung belly.
They eat anything that they can find,
Insects, animals, garbage – they don't mind!
They spread diseases and also the plague,
But not in water, they don't bathe.
I wouldn't like one for a pet,
It would eat my dinner, I expect.
They're better off underground
where all the other rats are found.



Paighton Wignall, Y6

See you on Monday 31st October at 8:45am – have a great half-term break!