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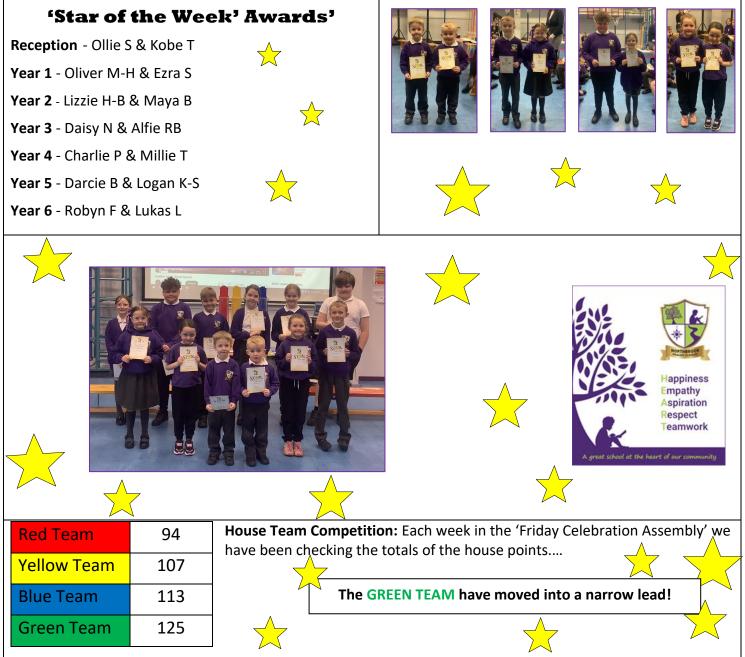
Friday 19th April 2024

A great school at the heart of our community

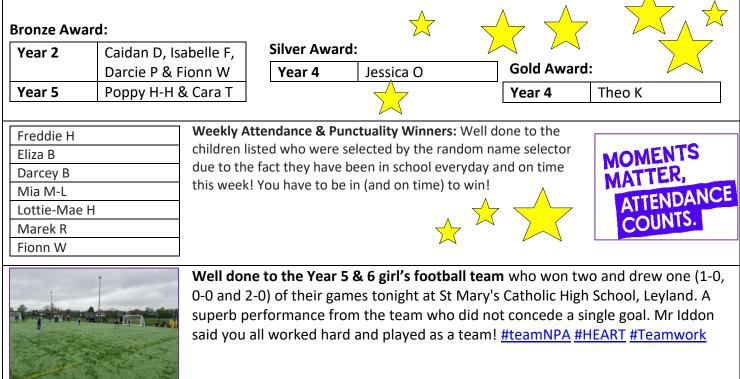
VALUE FOCUS

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

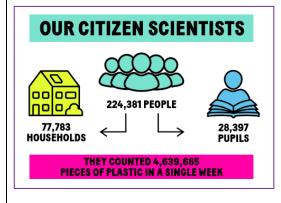
- ✓ To work together so we will achieve much more
- ✓ To take opportunity to shape and develop our school.
 - To work as a team so that we all learn and improve together.



Reading Rewards.... 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, silver 200 reading points and gold 300 reading points. Well done to the children below for achieving an award this week...



Thank you to all our families who joined in with 'The Big Plastic Count' for Greenpeace. We contributed our school data and the results are in ...



Greenpeace have found that the UK is one of the worst countries for the plastic waste produced per person globally - second only to USA! Greenpeace are now going to use the information they have found to put pressure on governments and large brands to take action to reduce the amount of plastic packaging and waste in the UK. This is to reduce the need deal with the plastic waste around

packaging and storage as a lot of the plastics used we are unable to recycle at this time.

As a school we are trying to raise awareness with our pupils and help them understand the need to protect our Earth. We are improving our recycling facilities and we hope to encourage the school and wider community to think about the litter problems and recycle regularly.



Attendance Policy: Out attendance polcu has been updated and added to our school website <u>Our Policies & Procedures</u> | <u>Northbrook Primary Academy (northbrookpa.org)</u>. Please note the following will apply from Monday 22nd

- All parents/ guardians are expected to report their child's absence to school on a daily basis. To report an absence, parents should contact the school directly on 01772 421599 before 8:55am with a detailed explanation for the absence.
- ✓ Once the reported absence has been received by school, parents/guardians will receive an acknowledgement of the reported absence through ParentApp Connect. Please note that this acknowledgement of receipt does not mean that the absence has been authorised by the school.

Parents should be aware that the decision whether to authorise an absence or not rests with the school. Hence, if there is any ambiguity relating to an absence, school may request further evidence from parents before a decision is made to authorise the absence. This may be in the form of a prescription, an appointment card or similar.

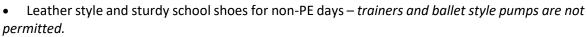
Whilst any child may be off school because they are ill, sometimes they can be reluctant to attend school, causing a pattern of non-attendance. Any problems with regular attendance are best sorted out between the school, the parents and the child. If a child is reluctant to attend school it is better for a parent to contact the school to enable both to work together to resolve the issue, rather than trying to cover up their absence, or give in to pressure to let them stay at home If a child is absent from school and a parent does not report it, the school will carry out a first day absence procedure. This will involve:

- Contacting you by text message or telephone.
- Contacting you by letter.
- Or, carrying out a home visit.

If you do not currently have access to your ParentApp Connect account please call the school Office on 01772 521599 and they will be able to give you your login details.

Uniform and Appearance - We would like to remind everyone of our expectations related to uniform and the key information can be found on our website <u>here</u>. 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.



- 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 rigorously enforcing our uniform and appearance policy 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. Thank you for your continued support.



Free girls cricket offer at Leyland Cricket Club...

Girls Dynamos for Ages 8-11 takes place on a Saturday from 10:10:45am. If you want to book a place for your daughter please use the link below and use the code TA24C to get the sessions FREE! <u>https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/BookCourse/6ce09515-</u> 7d58-411d-904b-fd3e64378109

There is also a Mixed Allstars session for Ages 5-8 running at the same time which can be booked through the link below: <u>https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/BookCourse/4cea0f6b-87b7-4ea0-9c9c-4b7eb05e5b3e</u>

Key Dates for the next half-term:

- Monday 22nd April: Earth Day (wholeschool Event)
- Tuesday 23rd April: KS1 Football Event @ St Marys
- Thursday 25th April: Y5/6 Girls Football @ Pen Priory
- Tuesday 30th April: Bowling KS2 Event
- Wednesday 1st May: Local Acadaemy Visit to NPA
- Monday 6th May: Bank Holiday school clsoed.
- Monday 13th May Thursday 16th May Year 6 SATs Week
- Monday 20th May Friday 24th May Targeted Learning Plan Meetings with Parents (invitation)
- Friday 24th May: School closes for half-term @ 3:10/15pm

If you need to contact school please do not hesitate to email <u>enquiries@northbrookpa.org</u>
Tel: 01772 421599 <u>Contact Us | Northbrook Primary Academy</u>

Have a great weekend everyone... See you on Monday!



