

# FRIDAY LETTER



Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022

## VALUE FOCUS



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

- ✓ Value diversity.
- ✓ Show tolerance and promote equality.
- ✓ Use good manners and kind words.

## Star of the Week Award Winners:

<b>Reception</b>	Emmi A & Fionn W
<b>Year 1</b>	Correy L-D & Eddie M
<b>Year 2</b>	Ruby D-F & Harry P
<b>Year 3</b>	Elissia M & Leon R
<b>Year 4</b>	Jack Mc & Elliott S
<b>Year 5</b>	Kaiden E & Taylor T
<b>Year 6</b>	Gabby B & Lucas P

## THIS WEEK'S BEST ATTENDANCE GOES TO...

**Year 4**  
**100%**  
**Awesome!**

## A window into the Northbrook world...

We work hard to celebrate the pupil's achievements and showcase the superb learning that takes place in school on a daily basis. Our Facebook and Twitter pages are excellent ways to keep in touch with everything that makes us NPA! To see more go to [Northbrook Primary Academy - Home | Facebook](#)



**House Team Competition:** Each week in the 'Friday Celebration Assembly' we have been checking the totals of the house points. Everything to play for next week...



1 <sup>st</sup>	3251	Yellow Team
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3188	Red Team
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3070	Blue Team
4 <sup>th</sup>	2748	Green Team

Well done to the **Yellow team** as they stay at the top of the table!

**Reception...** This week in reception the children have looked at the number 7 and found different ways to represent it using manipulatives.



**Year 1 ...** Year 1 have been learning about informative writing and its main features. They reviewed an informative piece of writing and correctly labelled the key features.



**Year 2 ...** Year 2 have explored collages and created their own master pieces that have been inspired by the work of Andy Goldsworthy.



**Spotlight on Year 5 homework...** What a fantastic response to homework last half-term from Year 5! They have worked really hard on their research and homework projects – well done! Mr Sharkey is really impressed with their efforts... Don't forget to review <https://northbrookpa.org/classes> to see what your children will be learning this half-term.



**Window Replacement:** Our window replacements continue next week with the team moving on to the KS1 block. The work will cause a little disruption and we will let you know when we need to change entrance doors for Year 1 and Year 2, so you are fully aware of where to drop your children off and where to collect them at the end of the day. The new dining hall floor has been fitted over half-term and it looks great! We have been explaining to the children how important it is that we look after our school and when accidents happen to always tell their teacher or another adult.

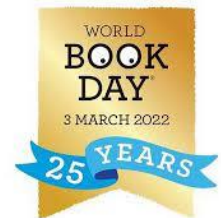


## Important messages

Don't forget parents evening!

**Parents' Evening Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March:** The evening will run from 3.30pm – 6.30pm and will give parents the opportunity to speak to your child's class teacher to discuss their engagement and progress so far, this academic year. Appointments will be five minutes in duration. Please don't be offended if your discussion is cut short, as the teaching staff will need to stick to a rigid appointment schedule in order to see everyone within their class. If you think that a longer appointment will be needed, please contact us to arrange a separate appointment. You will be able to book your appointments with your child's teacher through the ParentApp. If you have any issues, please do not hesitate to contact [enquiries@northbrookpa.org](mailto:enquiries@northbrookpa.org).

**World Book Day Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March:** World Book Day 2022 marks the 25th anniversary and during the day we will have a whole school focus on a shared story, where we will celebrate the excitement and pleasure of reading as a school community. In the afternoon, the children will listen to different teachers reading sections of some of their favourite books and then at the end of the day we will host a 'Big Bedtime Read'. We are inviting all our children to bring in blanket, a teddy and their slippers/slipper socks. We will have hot chocolate and cookies before we snuggle up and listen to the stories. Our Year 6 children will read with their reception 'buddies', so we build on the fantastic work they have been doing as positive role models for our youngest children. You can find out more about World Book Day at [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com). As adults, we should never underestimate the impact of reading and if we really want to further our children's life chances we can take a few simple steps to encourage reading for pleasure;



- Read to our children regularly
- Give access to books at home
- Encourage children to choose what they want to read
- Share and recommend books to our children
- Designate time to reading regularly



**POSTER COMPETITION - Do you live in Leyland or Farington and Love Where You Live?** South Ribble Borough Council are calling on YOU to help encourage people to pick up their litter and dog mess and use the bins in your local area. The Council is looking for local young people to design posters to encourage people to clean up after themselves. Winning entries will be printed and displayed on outdoor banners and posters near local parks and schools Leyland and Farington. Hurry up and get drawing! The competition ends on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022**. For more information and to enter the competition, go to [www.southribble.gov.uk/lovewhereyoulive](http://www.southribble.gov.uk/lovewhereyoulive)

### Extra-Curricular Clubs: Spring 2

Day	Year	Activity	Staff Lead
Monday	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6	Football (Girls only)	Mr Winrow
Tuesday	Year 6 Year 5 and 6	SATs Booster Football	Miss Hall Mr Sharkey & Mrs Powers
Wednesday	Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Rec, Year 1 and Year 2	Choir PASTA Club (Invitation)	Mrs Spence & Miss Smith South Ribble
Thursday	Year 1 and 2	Multi-Skills	Mr Winrow
Friday	Year 3 and 4	Tennis	Mr Winrow
Tuesday & Wednesday Morning 8:15am-8:45am	Year 6	SATs booster	Miss Hall
Wednesday Lunchtime	Year 2	Coding Club	Miss Sharrock
Friday Lunchtime	Year 5 and Year 6	Chess Club	Mr Iddon

Children must return a letter signed by parents to attend the afterschool clubs and wear appropriate clothing such as their PE kit. Afterschool clubs finish at 4:15



This half-term's new extra-curricular activities start next Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February and will continue up to the

Easter holidays! Please make sure that reply slips are returned for the afterschool clubs and be aware that clubs finish at 4:15pm. Any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact us at school! Information is also on our website here.

### Important dates for the half-term ahead...

- **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2022** – Fair Trade Week.
- **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022** – Parents' Evening.
- **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022** – School finished at 2:10/2:15pm for the end of term.

If you need to contact me at school please do not hesitate to email [m.cunniffe@northbrookpa.org](mailto:m.cunniffe@northbrookpa.org)  
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**See you on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February. Have a great weekend!**