

FRIDAY LETTER



Friday 9th September 2022



Northbrook Primary Academy joins the nation in expressing our deepest sympathy on the passing of our Queen. We celebrate a lifetime of service, duty, dignity & stability, which is an example to us all. A light in troubled times for generations that we hope to emulate.

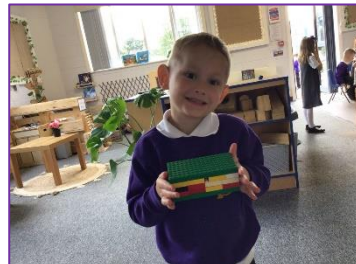


Today, at Northbrook Primary Academy we gave thanks for the life of our servant Queen Elizabeth, for her faith and her dedication to duty. We reflected on the impact this loss on our nation and considered how her example could continue to inspire us.

It has been fantastic to welcome the Northbrook Primary Academy community back to together this week. We have been so proud of the standard of uniform, excellent attendance and the childrens' focus on their learning. Thank you to all our parents for your support it is greatly appreciated. Special recognition must go to all our 27 new starters in reception class who, ably supported by the staff and their Year 6 buddies, have made a superb start to school life. This recognition also extends to the 12 new children across all our classes. We have been so impressed with your start to life at NPA – well done! Our value of happiness has undoubtedly been on display this week with smiling faces right across the school...

Happiness
Empathy
Aspiration
Respect
Teamwork

A great school at the heart of our community





This Thursday we had the local press, Leyland Guardian, in school to take photographs of our new reception class. Don't they look so smart! The photograph will be collated with all other local schools to create a central spread.



PE & Swimming



Day	Class
Monday	Year 4 PE & Year 5 PE
Tuesday	Year 1 PE, Year 5 Swimming & Year 6 PE
Wednesday	Reception PE & Year 4 PE
Thursday	Year 2 PE and Year 3 PE
Friday	Reception PE, Year 1 PE, Year 2 PE, Year 3 PE & Year 6 PE

PE kit (only to be worn on PE Days):

- Plain black joggers/tracksuit
- Black shorts
- School Purple t-shirt
- School Purple hoodie
- Pumps or trainers



We are looking forward to starting PE lessons next week (week beginning Monday 12th September). Please remember on PE day the children come to school in their PE kit!



The majority of our lunchtime afterschool clubs start next week! Please remember for children to attend afterschool clubs we need to receive a permission slip – thank you! For the sports clubs, children are required to wear their PE kit. We will confirm the PE club activities with our sports coaches on Monday!

Extra-Curricular Clubs 2022-23: Autumn 1



Day	Year	Activity/time	Staff Lead
Monday	Years 1 and 2	Musical Theatre Club 3.15-4.15pm	Miss Gwynne Ms Anroose-Peer Mr Iddon
	Years 4 and 5	PE Club 3.15-4.15pm	
	Years 5 and 6	Chess Club 12.15-1.00pm	
Tuesday	Years 2 and 3	Gymnastics Club 3.15-4.15pm	Miss Smith Miss Sharrock South Ribble Health Team
	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Lunch Club 12.15-1.00pm	
		PASTA Club (Invitation Only) 5:15pm-6:15pm	
Wednesday	Years 1 and 2	Lego Club 12.15-1.00pm	Mrs Wilson Mrs Spence Mr Sharkey
	Years 4 – 6	Young Voices Club 3.15-4.15pm	
	Years 5 and 6	Football Club 3.15-4.15pm	
Thursday	Years 3 and 4	Science Club 12.15-1.00pm	Miss Jackson Ms Anroose-Peer
	Years 2 and 3	PE Club 3.15-4.15pm	
Friday	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Dance 3.15-4.15pm	West Lancs PE Coach Mrs Morris
	Years 3 and 4	Art club 12.15-1.00pm	

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 PE clothing such as their PE kit.

All of our Key Stage 2 students (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) are able to order a Bacon OR Sausage Sandwich for a Friday morning, for 70p. Orders are made through the form linked below. Friday 16th September will be the first Friday so please pop onto ParentPay and load on funds to cover the half term, full term or the full year. If you have any questions please feel free to call the office on 01772 421 599. <https://forms.office.com/r/kWk9r617bq>

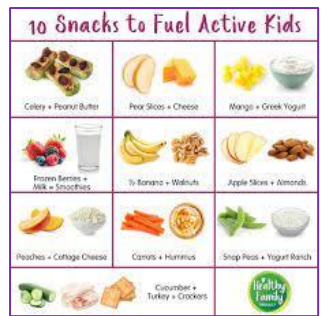


A few reminders...



- All children should have a water bottle with them each day. The bottle should contain water only.
- Children are welcome to bring a snack to school for the morning break, however, this snack needs to be a healthy one.
- Late marks are issued from 8:55am.

- Please remember that all our children are required to wear school shoes for non PE days!



House System: Next week we will be letting the children know which house they will be in. There will be some children that may find they have changed house teams as we aim to balance the teams and endeavour to have siblings within the same house. We will be awarding house points from next week and will hold our first celebration assembly on Friday 16th September! We can't wait to see who will be our first winners of our 'Star of the Week' awards...Good luck everyone!

Parent's Information Evenings: In order to ensure that parents are fully aware of the year ahead we would like to take this opportunity to inform you of **our 'Parents' Information Afternoons' which will take place next Thursday 15th September.** On the evening you will be invited to your child's classroom to meet the teaching staff. The class teacher will then give you information about the learning taking place this half-term, the extra-curricular opportunities available and this year's proposed trips and visits. You will also have the opportunity to ask any questions that you may have. Each class teacher will lead two presentations, one at 3:30pm and one at 4:30pm, to allow parents to attend more than one presentation during the evening. Please return the reply slip or complete the Parent App Consent Form for which of the two presentations you will be attending for your child and return by Monday 12th September. Thank you!



Important dates...

Key dates for the term

Thursday 6th October	Parents' Evening – Engagement
Thursday 13th October	Open Day (New Intake) 2:00pm & 6:00pm
Half-term Holidays	Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October
Wednesday 16th November	Open Day (New Intake) 10:00pm & 6:00pm
Friday 25th November	INSET Day (School closed to children)
Tuesday 6th December 1:30pm & Wednesday 7th December 4:30pm	KS1 Christmas Play
Thursday 8th December 1:30pm & 6:00pm	KS2 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 14th December	Christmas Party & Christmas Dinner
End of Term Holidays	Monday 19th December – Monday 2nd January
INSET Day (school closed to children)	Tuesday 3rd January (School re-opens on Wednesday 4th January)

If you need to contact me at school please do not hesitate to email m.cunniffe@northbrookpa.org
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See you on Monday 12th September – have a great weekend!