

Autumn Term Newsletter for Year 4

Welcome to Year 4

This year, Miss Wright is the Class Teacher in Year 4. We also have Miss Heaps supporting our learning. Please have a read of this newsletter to find out what we will be doing this term.

Malala Yousafzai



At Northbrook, each of our classes is named after an inspirational person to help spark ambition, resilience, and curiosity in our learners. Our new class name is 'Malala' who is a Pakistani activist for girls' education and the youngest person ever to receive the Nobel Peace Prize. She became internationally known after surviving a Taliban assassination attempt in 2012, at the age of 15, for speaking out about the rights of girls to go to school. Malala's courage and advocacy have made her a global symbol of peaceful resistance and the fight for education and equality.



Reading

Reading is an essential part of your child's education here at Northbrook and you can continue to support this at home. We expect all children to read at least four times each week. Reading records must be brought to school daily to be checked and rewarded.

Maths

For our Maths lessons, we follow White Rose Maths. We will be starting the Autumn term with a unit on place value, before moving on to addition and subtraction, then multiplication and division. Within our arithmetic sessions, we will be using White Rose Infinity alongside our times tables booklets to develop children's fluency.

PE

Our PE days are Thursdays and Fridays.

Children will need their normal PE kit (Purple t-shirt, black shorts and pumps for indoors trainers for outdoors.). Please make sure your child's PE kits is labelled and in a bag on their peg in school as they will be getting changed in school.



Homework

Homework will be set each Monday and due the following Monday. Homework will consist of learning times tables on TT Rockstars and reading at home.

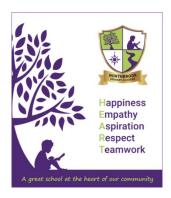
Curriculum Overview

In English we will be learning about 'The Loch Ness Monster' and creating our very own magazine article to educate the Year 2's with! We will also be writing our own version of Nessie- innovating our own character to change the plot.

In History, we will be learning about the Ancient Greeks and why classical Greeks are still important today. In Autumn 2, our Geography learning will be based on a European study comparing countries. Our RE learning in Autumn 1 will be focused on how we live our lives. In Autumn 1, we are focusing specifically on, 'What might a Hindu learn through Diwali?' and in Autumn 2, the focus will be, 'How and why might Christians use the Bible?'

In Art, we will be looking at how we can combine paint and thread to create landscapes. In Science we will be looking at grouping and classifying living things, as well as, looking at the different states of matter. Our curriculum has been adapted this year to continue to offer the children a broad, balanced and exciting curriculum enriched with exciting adventures along the way!

The partnership between home and school is essential, thank you for your support and if you do have any questions, please ask.



As ever, our school HEART values are integrated within our curriculum and we continue to celebrate children who show are core values.

The NPA Way!



Whilst at school, children are expected to be an NPA Superstar! Following our SMART values ensures that every child is ready to learn and is able to reach their full potential.



Northbrook Primary Academy Timetable 2025 2026- Year 4 Autumn 1

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Times	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.45 - 8.55 / 9	Grammar Morning Work	Orange words spelling	Retrieval wider curriculum	Maths (tough 10)	Maths (specific focus)
9.00 - 9.20	Spelling/Phonics	Spelling/Phonics	Spelling/Phonics	Spelling/Phonics	Spelling/Phonics
9.20 - 9.45	Whole Class Reading (KS2)	Whole Class Reading (KS2)	Whole Class Reading (KS2)	Whole Class Reading (KS2)	Whole Class Reading (KS2)
9.45 - 10.45	English	English	English	English	Grammar KS2
10.45 - 11	Break				
11 - 11.15	Arithmetic	Arithmetic	Arithmetic	Arithmetic	Arithmetic
11.15 - 12.15	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Times tables/ Arithmetic
12.15 - 1.00	Lunch				
1.00 - 3.15	Silent reading (individual books) 1:25-1:50- Spanish (Miss Astbury) 1:50-2:45- Art	Class reader/Picture News 1-2- History 2-3- R.E	Class reader/Picture News PPA 1-2- Computing (Mr Mallon) 2-2:45- Music	Silent reading (individual books 1-2 P.E 2-2:45- Science	Class reader/ Phonics Blast Alternate release time (covered by Mr Mallon) 1-2- PSHE/
	2.45pm - Whole School Assembly	2.45pm - KS1 PSHE Assembly	(Mr Mallon) 2.45pm - KS2 PSHE Assembly	2.45pm - Singing Assembly	library change 2-2:40- P.E 2.40pm - Celebration Assembly

Up-coming Dates

September

Monday 1st - INSET

Tuesday 2nd - INSET

Wednesday 3rd - Children Start

Thursday 4th - Meet The Teacher - 5pm

WB Monday 22nd - Y6 Baseline Tests

Thursday 25th - Birthday Lunch

Friday 26th - Macmillan Coffee Morning (a letter will be sent out)

October

Thursday 16th - Birthday Lunch

Thursday 16th - Community Voice

Tuesday 21st - Parent's Evening

Friday 24th - INSET WHOLE TRUST

November

Monday 3rd - Children start back

WB 17th - Y6 Test Week

Thursday 20th - Birthday Lunch

December

Thursday 11th - Birthday Lunch

Christmas Dates TBC

Friday 19th - finish 2.10pm (Infants)/2.15pm (Juniors)

Children return to school Tuesday 6th January 2026