

# FRIDAY LETTER



Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

## 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 success.

## 'Star of the Week' Awards

Reception	Elise B & Fionn W
Year 1	Kobe C & Demi P
Year 2	Abbie-Rose F & Theo K
Year 3	Elissia M & Oliver W
Year 4	Hannah N & Erin F
Year 5	Jake W & Paighton W
Year 6	Ava C & Ben W

## THIS WEEK'S BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 1  
99.3%  
Well Done!

## 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](#)



## A fantastic start to the term and exciting times ahead...

It has been lovely to welcome everyone back into Northbrook Primary Academy this term in their fantastic new uniforms! Over the last twelve months lots has been happening in school and we are really looking forward to being able to finally welcome you into school on a more regular basis to show you some of the changes that have taken place and to describe the next stages of our development. It was great today to welcome parents into our 'Celebration Assembly' and we hope those that could attend enjoyed being part of the celebrating our children's successes. Please check the school website in case you missed last week's letter from Mrs Adams and Mr Cunniffe to find out more detail about our building improvements, Loki the school dog and our planned 'Open Days' for children that are due to start school in September. The link to our school letter page is here - <https://northbrookpa.org/letters>.



**Aim High:** This week in assembly we have been learning about Emma Raducanu's success at the US Open. We learnt that despite Emma's young age, travelling to compete without her parents and recently taking time to complete her 'A' Levels, she still made history by winning



a Grand Slam title. In doing so, she became the first British female tennis player to win a Grand Slam singles title since Virginia Wade at Wimbledon in 1977. She is undoubtedly an inspirational role model and her success helped us consider our school value of 'ambition' and the fact that we are often capable of much more than we think!



### Year 6 Buddies!

We have been so proud of how our Reception children have transitioned into being in school. Both Mrs Powers and Mrs Hall have been amazed by how well they have settled into the routines and made positive relationships with each other. This smooth transition has undoubtedly been supported by the Year 6 children and their excellent work as allocated 'buddies' with each individual reception child. They have been working with their buddies during the day, eating with them during lunchtime and giving up their lunch break to support their play and development. Quite simply, they have outstanding role models and demonstrated all the values we hold at heart of Northbrook!



### Year 5 & Year 6 Music Lessons

We were delighted yesterday that our Year 5 and Year 6 children started having ukulele lessons with Mr Hall who is a music teacher from Wellfield Academy. We are also very grateful to Wellfield Academy who are loaning a set of ukuleles to our school so that we can include instrument tuition into our curriculum. Another amazing opportunity for our children...



**Wellfield Academy**

If your child is in Year 5 or 6 at NPA, why not pop along to Wellfield Academy on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September for their Open Evening between 5:30pm-7:30pm. You may even bump into Mrs Adams and Mr Cunniffe!

## Important messages

We are really pleased to be working with the West Lancashire Sport Partnership and Mr Winrow this academic year. PE days are shown below:



**Monday:** Year 5 & Year 6

**Tuesday:** Reception, Year 3 & Year 4. *Year 6 Swimming starting 28.9.21*

**Wednesday:** Year 5

**Thursday:** Year 1 & Year 2

**Friday:** Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4

Please remember children attend in PE kit and should have black joggers, black shorts, trainers or pumps as well as their school t-shirt and hoodie –

*please do not worry if you have not had delivery of the school PE kit, as a suitable substitute will be fine at this moment in time. PE kit is for PE days only. Thank you!*

### Parents' Information Afternoons

We are planning to invite parents into school to meet with the senior staff and classteachers over the next few weeks. This will allow to make sure you know all about what your child is learning, how to support them and ensure that you know who to contact if you need advice or have any enquiries. It will also give you the chance to see what's changed over the last few months! We will write to you with more detail very shortly!

#### Dates for you Diary...

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – Year 4 & Year 5 at 2:15pm-3:00pm

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Septmber – Year 2 & Year 3 at 2:15pm-3:00pm & Year 6 at 6.00pm-6:45pm

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Reception & Year 1 at 2:15pm-3:00pm

### Parent Councillor Applications:

We are looking for two new Parent Councillors, each to serve a 4-year term of office. The role needs people who have the ability and desire to;



- Help the school continue to grow and succeed
- Be a team player
- Scrutinise and constructively critique evidence
- Question that evidence to ensure validity and robustness
- Carry out the role without regard to their own child in particular, but for the whole school community
- Attend meetings once a term

Anyone interested should apply, on the form sent by email/school app, by 12 noon on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September, explaining how you believe your experience will be useful in the role of Parent Councillor. Electronic copies of your application should be sent to [l.trainor-tute@northbrookpa.org](mailto:l.trainor-tute@northbrookpa.org), paper copies are to be delivered to the school office. All applications will be collated by the office manager.



As well as our Facebook page we also have a twitter feed ... Why not follow us to keep in touch with everything that makes us NPA! [@NorthbrookPrim3](https://twitter.com/NorthbrookPrim3) / Twitter.

Our school website is also being developed week on week and you can find us at [Northbrook Primary Academy \(northbrookpa.org\)](http://Northbrook Primary Academy (northbrookpa.org))

As always, thank for your continued support. If you need to contact me at school please do not hesitate to email [m.cunniffe@northbrookpa.org](mailto:m.cunniffe@northbrookpa.org).

**Have a fantastic weekend! See you Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September...**

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