



# NORTHUMBERLAND HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL

"A warm smile is the universal language of kindness." – William Arthur Ward

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have all had a good week.

The Eco club started this week, they have already made headway in clearing the weeds and planting. The children are really enthusiastic and want to help! We are so excited to get this garden back up and running! If you have any gardening donations, please bring them in!

PC Ryan came in to deliver workshops to Years 4, 5 and 6 about online safety and cyber bullying. The children took away some powerful messages. Please ensure you are looking regularly at your child's phone to ensure they are safe online.

We have had many classes visit our local library this week to take back their book and choose another. It is a lovely local trip to help children become enthusiastic about reading.

In upper Key Stage 2, the maths focus has been angles, measuring, calculating and understanding them. They have had lots of fun using different manipulatives to help them to understand the key concepts.

Caterpillars arrived in nursery this week, they will be watching them grow into butterflies and will eventually release them. What a fantastic opportunity for them to see the process of caterpillars into butterflies.

A letter went out this week about sports day, please make sure you read it and that your child has the correct coloured t shirt for that day. Hopefully, we will not need to use the reserve days!

We wish you all a wonderful long weekend and see you all on Tuesday!

Ms D Indresano and the NHP Team!

#### Safeguarding notice:

We are still finding that children are using their phones inappropriately: sending abusive messages and making threatening remarks.

Often this is via apps that they are too young to have on their phones.. Here are some tips specifically for monitoring your child's phone:

Open Communication: Start by having an open and honest conversation with your children about why you feel it's important to monitor their messaging apps. Explain the potential risks of online communication and reassure them that your goal is to keep them safe.

Set Clear Expectations: Establish clear rules and expectations for your child's use of messaging apps. Let them know what types of behaviour are and are not acceptable and explain the consequences for breaking the rules.

Use Parental Control Apps: Consider using parental control apps that allow you to monitor your child's messaging activity. Regular Check-Ins: Make it a habit to regularly check in with your child about their online activity. Ask them about who they're talking to, what they're sharing, and if they've encountered anything inappropriate or concerning.

Educate Yourself: Take the time to familiarise yourself with the features and privacy settings of the messaging apps your child uses. This will help you understand how they work and what potential risks they may pose.

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## FRIDAY 3RD MAY 2024











This week, Catkins were visited by ZooLab and the children met different exotic animals. The children had the chance to hold a giant African Land Snail, Stick Insects, a snake, Australian Frog and a cockroach. The children learnt lots of interesting facts ready to create a fact file later in the week.

This week year 1 have been looking at transport in the air. We had a very special workshop with a guest speaker who has had his whole career flying different types of aeroplanes. The children got to learn lots about different types of planes and different tools they use while flying.



Year One

Year two



This week in year 2, we have been learning about fractions. We looked at thirds and finding two thirds of an amount. We used whiteboards as groups and used cubes to share between the groups.

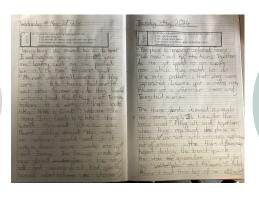
In our science lesson this week, Year 3 have been looking at the different types of skeleton that animals can have. We amended our own hands with gloves and tape to create an exoskeleton (more protective but less flexible!), and then we made a hydrostatic skeleton hand to see what that was like. (Very flexible, but not particularly helpful on dry land or when trying to pick things up...)





Year Three

Year Four



This week year 4 have used their imaginary lands to create a portal story, with a focus on using expanded noun phrases to describe their land and extending their sentences using conjunctions.







In year 5, the children have been drawing and measuring angles in Maths. They were asked to create a video to show younger children how to use protractors.

We have been analysing the poem "Windrush Child" by John Agard. Using his style and structure, the class worked in small groups to write their own version of the poem and then perform it to the class.





## ATTENDANC<u>E</u>

Registration Form	Present R/C: Marks		
N Bluebells	86.6%		
R Catkin	84.4%		
R Saplings	93.4%		
1 Aspen	92.4%		
1 Hawthorn	95.6%		
2 Elm	95.1%		
2 Nettle	92.5%		
2 Rowan	94.7%		

3 London Plane	92.5%
3 Mountain Ash	95.7%
3 Silver Birch	96.4%
4 Maple	91.8%
4 Spruce	92.2%
4 Whitebeam	96.8%
5 Beech	95.7%
5 Linden	97.1%
5 Pine	99.5%
6 Cedar	93.7%
6 Elder	91.6%
6 Oak	91.2%

## STAR OF THE WEEK

Class	Name	
Bluebells AM	Ariel	
Bluebells PM	Keli	
Catkin	Jun Qi	
Saplings	Ivy Rose	
Aspen	Emily	
Hawthorn	Ase	
Elm	Isabelle	
Rowan	Stanley	
Nettle	Semra	

London Plane	Anisa
Silver Birch	Amber
Mountain Ash	Amelia
Maple	Alfred
Spruce	Demi
Whitebeam	Vrinda
Pine	Curtis
Beech	Izma
Linden	Nathaniel
Oak	Alara
Cedar	Nyomi
Elder	Somto



Year 5 parents: If you would like your child to take the Bexley
Selection Test (Formerly known as the 11+) Please visit the Bexley
Website www.bexley.gov.uk as applications are open 1st-29th
May 2024. No late applications will be accepted.
For Kent applications, go to www.kent.gov.uk.







### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

Lily, Ava, Sonny, Tommy, Poppy, Jake, Alfred, Jaydon, Demidas, Isabel, Ella, Maysa, Amelia & Henley.



Please check back each week for updates. Also look on our social media pages & Arbor app.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6th - May Bank Holiday	7th - SENCO Coffee Morning (come to office after drop off)	8th	9th Class photos	10th
13th - SATS WEEK	14th	15th	16th	17th
20th	21st EYFS Sports Day 2-3pm	22nd KS1 Sports Day 9.30-11am LKS2 Sports Day 1.30-3pm	23rd :  Coffee Morning SALT 9am  UKS2 Sports Day 9.30-11am  Last day before May half term: Back to school on Monday 3rd June 2024	24th Staff Training Day

WEEKLY EVENTS (Clubs finish at 4.05pm)				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PE Day - Year 3 Forest Sch -Nursery AM Choir Club Multisport Y1 & 2	PE Day - Reception PE Day - Year 4 Rubiks Cube - Y3/4/5	PE Day - Year 1 PE Day - Year 5 Swim - Mountain Ash Forest School - Catkin Basketball (KS2) Forest School Club	PE Day - Year 2 PE Day - Year 6 Swim - London Plane Swim - Silver Birch Forest School - Saplings	Forest Sch -Nursery PM PE Day - Reception

Y6 Swimming will start w/b 20th May. More information to come.