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*Together, we can achieve great things!*

School Newsletter #7: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another eventful week with many exciting, enriching experiences for our pupils.

### Science VR Workshop

On Monday, pupils took part in an immersive Science VR workshop, bringing key curriculum topics to life through virtual reality experiences.

- Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 explored *Minibeasts*, getting up close to different habitats, life cycles and features of insects and other small creatures.
- Year 3 and Year 4 focused on *The Human Body*, travelling inside the body to learn more about organs, skeletons and how different systems work together.
- Year 5 journeyed into *Space*, exploring the solar system, planets, and the vastness of the universe in an engaging and interactive way.

The children were fascinated and highly engaged throughout the sessions, asking thoughtful questions and making excellent links to their current learning. A huge thank you to all the families who contributed towards this experience — we truly

cannot take part in opportunities like this without your continued support.

### Creative Writing & Poetry Workshops

On Wednesday, Year 4 and Year 5 pupils took part in inspiring creative writing and poetry workshops delivered by the charity Arvon. The sessions were led by author **Abiola Bello** and poet **Zohab Khan**.

Pupils experimented with language, imagery and performance, before coming together to share and celebrate their writing. We are extremely grateful to Arvon for also donating books and creative writing resources to the school, which will further enrich our English curriculum.



### World Book Day

Next week, we will be celebrating Book Week and World Book Day. Children are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. We look forward to a wonderful celebration of reading across the school.

### 2026 – The National Year of Reading

This year marks the National Year of Reading, a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the joy of books and storytelling with your child. Regular reading and engagement with a range of texts is very important.

**Tip 7 Local libraries are free and offer:**

- A wide choice of books

- Quiet reading spaces
- Holiday activities

Encourage your child to choose books that interest them — choice increases motivation.

**Tip 8 – Praise Effort:**

Celebrate effort, not just accuracy.  
Say:

- “I love how you kept going.”
- “You tried a tricky word.”
- “You read with great expression.”

Confidence grows when children feel supported.



# Made of Money:

## making your money go further

**Relaxed group workshops**

- ★ ...using taste tests, games and activities

**Gain confidence**

- ★ ...with credit, debt, bills and budgets

**Save, the fun way!**

- ★ ...share top tips to beat the big brands

**Improve communication**

- ★ ...with your family & others around finances

**Give your kids a head start**

- ★ ...learning for the future about money



“ Since this life changing course I feel like a new woman! The impact on my life, my relationship, my children and our future, feels so good.

Linda ”

**When & where:**

Starting: *Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026*

From: *10.00 to 12.00pm*

Location: *Online*

To book a place please E-mail

[parentingprogramme@brent.gov.uk](mailto:parentingprogramme@brent.gov.uk)

## Class Dojo

Pupils have been upholding our school values of:

- **Ambition**
- **Responsibility**
- **Excellence**

As well as our vbehaviour golden rules:

- **Be Kind**
- **Be Respectful**
- **Be Honest**

The children have been earning points throughout the half term. This week we will celebrate which class has earned the most points overall. Congratulations to **Year 4** who have earned the most points this week.



## Punctuality

Being on time is crucial for your child's success. **The school day begins promptly at 8:55am** and pupils should be in their classrooms ready to learn at that time. The **school gates open at 8:45am** daily so kindly ensure that your child arrives as early as possible. Arriving late can disrupt your child's learning and the learning of others. Let us work together to develop good habits and start the day off in a calm, organised manner.

## Safeguarding



## Attendance

Despite disruption today, our attendance was extremely strong this week with 98% attendance overall. This is amazing and the pupils will all be rewarded for this fantastic start to the half term. A special well done to **Year 3** who achieved the highest attendance this week, followed closely by **Year 6**. Well done everyone! Coming to school every day helps children feel they belong, strengthens friendships, and builds positive partnerships between pupils, teachers and parents.

In class ready to learn by ...





JusTalk Kids is an alternative version of the JusTalk app, aimed at an audience aged 13 and under. As that upper age limit suggests, this social networking platform is intended to be suitable for youngsters, providing them with a space of their own to interact with a community their own age.

Unfortunately, there are still risks associated with JusTalk Kids, so it's vitally important for parents and educators to understand the potential dangers for those who use the app. This guide delves into the most prominent online safety concerns of JusTalk Kids, while also letting you know how to ensure that children can be protected, should they wish to create an account.

**The safeguarding team at Northview Primary school are:**  
**Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Obinwanne**  
**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Barouma**  
**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Raval**  
**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Ms Adolphe**

### Key dates:

- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Staff INSET 8:30am- 4pm
- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January – Pupils return to school
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January – Action Tutoring begins in Year 6
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January – Year 5 swimming begins
- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January NSPCC workshops- POSTPONED
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January Reception transfer deadline
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January NSPCC workshops – Y2, Y5 and Y6
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 9:15am Y4, Y5 & 6 Social Media Awareness (United Borders) Assembly
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January – Y5 Assembly 9.15am – Holi POSTPONED
- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026 – PSA KS1 disco: 3:45 – 5pm**
- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026 – Community Police Workshops for Years 3-6
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2026 – Governing Body Meeting
- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2026 – Y5 Assembly 9.15am – Holi
- DATE CHANGE: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February Parents Forum – 9:15am**
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2026 – PSA Tuck Shop – 3:30pm**
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026 – Y2 Assembly 9.15am – St Patrick's Day
- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February Mental Health week
- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026 – Coffee Morning for parents with Ms Adolphe, Parent Liaison Officer – 9:15am
- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026 – PSA pancake morning**
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2026 – Parents' Forum – 9:15am
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2026 Safer Internet Day
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026 – PSA pancake morning 8:00am**
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Dress to Express Day
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026 – Reception Assembly 9:15am – Mother's Day
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February – Half term break**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February Pupils return to school  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February – Arvon Primary Arts –creative writing and spoken word workshop with Year 4 and Year 5  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - Book week  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – Book character dress up day  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – Governing Body Meeting  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Y6 SATs meeting at 9:00am  
**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March – PSA Mother’s Day Workshop**  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026 9:15am Y3 Assembly – Eid-al-Fitr  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March – Science Week  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March – Black STEM Assembly  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026 –9:15am Year 1 Assembly - Easter  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March Red Nose Day  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Music Concerts  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March – Parents Evening  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – World Maths Day  
**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – PSA Easter Fair**  
**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Term ends at 1:30pm**

We would also like to thank families for your understanding and cooperation regarding the school closure today. We appreciate the inconvenience this may have caused and are grateful for your continued support. Families will be informed about arrangements for reopening as soon as possible.

Have a restful weekend.

Kind regards,

**Mrs Obinwanne**  
**Headteacher**