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Together, we can achieve great things!

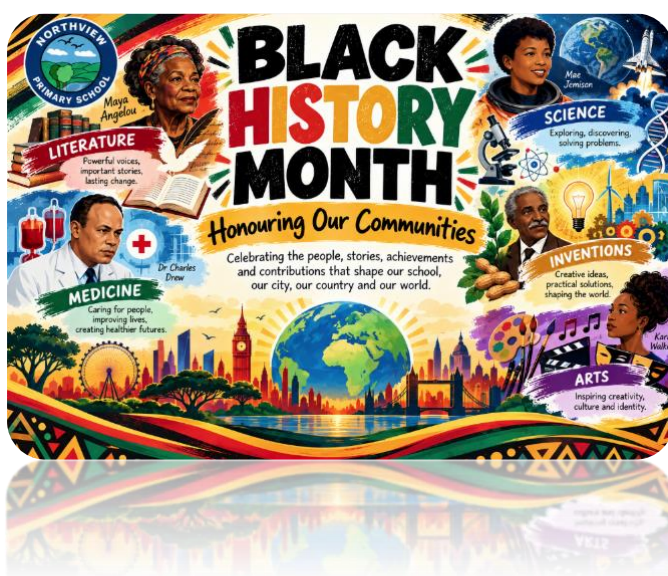
School Newsletter 5: Friday 2nd October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Black History Month

This week, we have begun celebrating Black History Month at Northview. This year, our focus is **“Honouring Our Communities”**, giving pupils opportunities to learn about the achievements and contributions of Black people in Britain and around the world.

Across the school, children will explore contributions in areas including science, medicine, inventions, literature, education and local community life. Activities have been planned to link with pupils’ learning where possible. For example, some classes will explore Black inventors and scientists, while older pupils will make links to topics such as Earth and Space and the contribution of Black servicemen and women during the Second World War. Our aim is for pupils to see Black history as an important part of our shared history and to learn about a wide range of people whose ideas, achievements and service have helped shape the world around us.



We encourage families to continue this learning at home. Why not visit your local library to find books about Black British history, scientists, authors, inventors and other significant figures? A family visit to a museum or gallery can also be a wonderful opportunity to explore history together. Ask your child what they have been learning in school and encourage them to share a person, achievement or story that has particularly interested them.

Year 3 Assembly

A huge well done to Year 3, who performed their assembly about Eid al-Adha today. The children explained the meaning and importance of the festival, explored how Muslim families and communities celebrate Eid al-Adha, and shared some of its traditions. They brought their learning to life through singing and dancing, performing with confidence and enthusiasm. Thank you to the pupils and staff for all their hard work in preparing such an enjoyable and informative assembly.

ESOL Classes

It was wonderful to see such an excellent turnout for our ESOL registration session on Tuesday. Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended and registered their interest. We are delighted to be able to support members of our school

community in developing their English language skills. Further information will follow shortly regarding class days and times.

EYFS NHS Information Morning: Oral Health

Thank you also to the parents and carers who attended our NHS EYFS information session on Wednesday, with a particular focus on oral health. Establishing good habits when children are young can help them maintain healthy teeth as they grow. Some important reminders are to build tooth brushing into your child's morning and bedtime routines, brush twice a day with fluoride toothpaste, supervise and support young children with brushing, limit sugary foods and drinks, particularly between meals, and attend regular dental check-ups. Keeping routines simple and consistent helps healthy habits become a normal part of everyday family life.



Homework Books

A reminder that parents and carers need to pay for their child's homework books. Regular homework is an important part of your child's learning. It gives children the opportunity to practise and remember key skills taught in school, particularly in reading, spelling and mathematics, while developing good learning habits and independence. Completing a small amount regularly is much more effective than leaving work until the last minute. Thank you for helping us build a strong partnership between home and school and supporting your child to achieve their best.

If you are experiencing any difficulties with payment, please contact the school office.

Attendance and 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.

Class Dojo

Pupils have been upholding our school values of:

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

As well as our behaviour golden rules:

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

Congratulations to **Year 1**, who earned the highest number of Class Dojo points this week with an impressive **521 points!** These points recognise pupils for demonstrating positive behaviour, effort and our school values. Well done, Year 1 – keep it up!



Year 1 **98.7%**

Year 2 **98.4%**

Year 3 **99.2% Winners!**

Year 4 **96.3%**

Year 5 **94.4%**

Year 6 **96.7%**

In class ready to learn by ...



ClassDojo

Year 1 521 –Winners!

Year 2 **87**

Year 3 **88**

Year 4 **219**

Year 5 **186**

Year 6 **198**

Attendance

Every day in school makes a difference. Even a few days of absence can mean important learning is missed and can make it harder for children to catch up. Thank you to our families for working with us to ensure children are in school, on time and ready to learn every day.

Our whole-school attendance this week was **96.5%**. A special congratulations goes to **Year 3**, who achieved the highest attendance for the second week in a row, with a fantastic 99.2%. Thank you to all our families for supporting regular and punctual attendance – every day in school matters.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding children is all of our responsibility.

Looksmaxxing is a social media trend that encourages people, especially young men, to focus on changing their appearance. This can include everyday things such as skincare, grooming and exercise, but it can also promote unsafe or misleading advice. This guide explains how this type of content can affect boys' confidence, body image and how they feel about themselves.

The safeguarding team at Northview Primary school are:

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Barouma

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Obinwanne

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Raval

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead: Ms Adolphe



Key dates:

16/09/26 EYFS meeting 1
22/09/26 Curriculum evening
07/10/26 EYFS meeting 2
1/10/26 Black History Month
14/10/26 Parents' Forum
20/10/26 Governors Meeting
22/10/26 PSA KS1 Disco
26/10/26 – 30/10/26 Half term

4/11/26 EYFS meeting 3
5/11/26 PSA Bonfire Night Event
16/11/26 Anti- Bullying Week
17/11/25 Road Safety week
19/11/26 PSA KS2 Disco
24/11/26 Parents' Evening
8/12/26 Bedtime Story Night
11/12/26 Reception Nativity Assembly
14/12/26 Music Concert
18/12/26 Term end at 1:30pm

Thank you for your continued support in making Northview such a positive and ambitious community. Together, we can help every child learn, grow, achieve and feel proud of all they accomplish.

Kind regards,

Mrs Obinwanne
Headteacher