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School Newsletter #8: Friday 6th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we celebrated Book Week, leading up to World Book Day, with a range of exciting activities designed to inspire a love of reading across the school.

Book Week and World Book Day

Pupils had the opportunity to take part in several live author and storytelling events, including a session with Liz Pichon, creator of *Tom Gates*, storyteller Kael Tudor, and illustrator David Litchfield, who led an engaging story time and draw-along session.

We were also delighted to welcome visiting poet Haroon Khan, who delivered a whole-school assembly and led workshops with several year groups. Pupils explored the power of poetry, language and performance, and were encouraged to experiment with their own writing.

Throughout the week, pupils collaborated to create Northview's own original story based on the theme "You Are a Reader!" Each class contributed to the story before it was shared during our World Book Day assembly. Pupils also enjoyed DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) time, where teachers swapped classes to read different stories, and partner reading, where older and younger pupils shared books together and discussed what they were reading.



World Book Day itself was a fantastic celebration of reading, with pupils taking part in a book character parade and showcasing some wonderfully creative costumes. The week concluded with drama workshops inspired by well-known stories and a whole-class creative activity where pupils wrote about and illustrated their favourite books.

Reading regularly is one of the most important ways to support children's

learning and development. Parents can help by reading with their child each day, discussing the stories they read together, visiting the library, and encouraging children to explore a range of different books and authors.

Understanding Ofsted Inspections

As a school community, it is helpful for parents to understand how schools are inspected and evaluated. Ofsted (the Office for Standards in Education) is the national body responsible for inspecting schools and ensuring high standards in education and care across England.

Ofsted has produced a short video for parents and carers explaining how inspections work and how school reports are structured. The video also explains recent changes to inspection reporting and what inspectors look for when they visit schools. Parents may find it useful to watch this brief overview here:

[New Ofsted report cards and grades: a guide for parents - YouTube](#)



Mobile Phone Pledge

Our school has signed up to the Brent Schools' PHONE Pledge, a borough-wide initiative designed to support children's wellbeing, learning and responsible use of technology. The pledge promotes five key principles: Protect, Help, Observe, Nurture and Educate, ensuring that schools place learning, safeguarding and digital responsibility at the centre of decisions about smartphones and smart technology. In line with our school policy, only Year 6 pupils are permitted to bring mobile phones to school. These phones must be handed to the class teacher at the start of the school day and will be returned at the end of the day. Our Mobile Phone Policy is available on the school website for parents who would like further information.



<https://www.northview.brent.sch.uk/admin/sites/page/key-information/policies>

Dates for Your Diary

Year 6 SATs Preparation Meeting – Wednesday 11th March, 9:00am

We will be holding a Year 6 SATs preparation meeting for parents and carers on Wednesday morning. This meeting will provide important information about the upcoming SATs assessments, how the tests are structured and how we are preparing pupils in school. We will also share practical advice on how parents can support their children at home in the lead up to the assessments. We strongly encourage all Year 6 parents to attend.

PSA Mother's Day Workshop – Wednesday 11th March, 2:00pm

Our PSA will be hosting a special Mother's Day workshop in the afternoon where pupils will have the opportunity to create a thoughtful gift to take home. The workshop costs £5 per child, and all materials will be provided. It is always a lovely event and a great opportunity for pupils to prepare something special for Mother's Day. Tickets are now available.

PSA Iftar evening – Friday 13th March 5:30pm

We are delighted to host a special event next Friday, organised by our Parent-Staff Association (PSA) in honour of Iftar. As many of you know, Iftar is the religious observance in Islam marking the end of the daily fast during Ramadan. This evening, families and friends within our community will gather to break their fast and share delicious food together. We encourage everyone to bring along a dish that represents your culinary heritage, creating a delightful spread that showcases the diversity of our community. **Kindly ensure that the dish contains absolutely no nuts.**

This event is more than just a meal; it's an opportunity for families to come together, connect with one another, and deepen friendships while enjoying great food. As we share these moments, we hope the sense of community will shine through, celebrating both our diversity and our shared values. The event runs from 5:30pm to 7:00pm. Tickets are limited due to the hall's capacity, so please book early to avoid disappointment. Tickets cost £2.00 each and will be available from the PSA members from Monday morning. We look forward to welcoming you!

Class Dojo

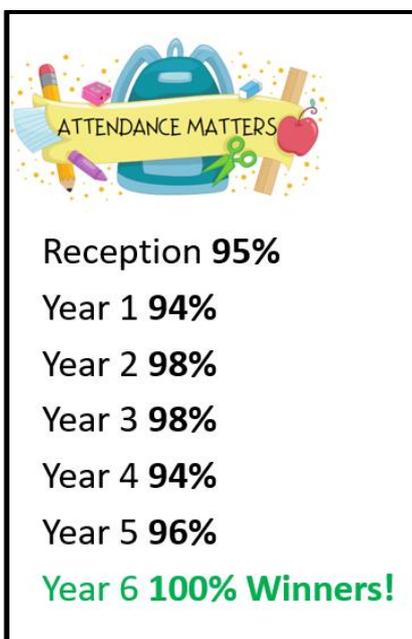
Pupils have been upholding our school values of:

- **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 this week. Congratulations to **Year 1** 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



ClassDojo

Reception **59**

Year 1 **287 Winners!**

Year 2 **141**

Year 3 **151**

Year 4 **123**

Year 5 **278**

Year 6 **250**

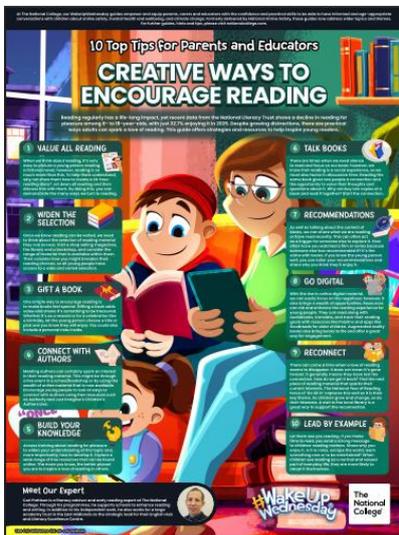
Attendance

Well done to all the classes who achieved over 96% this week. The school achieved 96% overall. Well done everyone! Year 6 had excellent attendance at 100%. Amazing Year 6! You are fantastic role models!

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 ...





With reading for pleasure in decline, this practical guide offers ten thoughtful ways to reignite children’s enthusiasm for books. From valuing all forms of reading to broadening access to diverse materials, it explores how adults can nurture positive reading habits both at home and in school. Digital tools, audiobooks and augmented reality are also considered as engaging ways to support today’s readers. It also highlights the power of social connection – recommending books, reading together and meeting authors – alongside the importance of modelling reading ourselves.

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 5th January – Staff INSET 8:30am- 4pm
- Tuesday 6th January – Pupils return to school
- Thursday 8th January – Action Tutoring begins in Year 6
- Friday 9th January – Year 5 swimming begins
- Monday 12th January NSPCC workshops- POSTPONED
- Thursday 15th January Reception transfer deadline
- Monday 19th January NSPCC workshops – Y2, Y5 and Y6
- Wednesday 21st January 9:15am Y4, Y5 & 6 Social Media Awareness (United Borders) Assembly
- Friday 23rd January – Y5 Assembly 9.15am – Holi POSTPONED
- Friday 23rd January 2026 – PSA KS1 disco: 3:45 – 5pm**
- Monday 26th January 2026 – Community Police Workshops for Years 3-6
- Tuesday 27th January 2026 – Governing Body Meeting
- Friday 30th January 2026 – Y5 Assembly 9.15am – Holi
- DATE CHANGE: Tuesday 3rd February Parents Forum – 9:15am**
- Wednesday 3rd February 2026 – PSA Tuck Shop – 3:30pm**
- Friday 6th February 2026 – Y2 Assembly 9.15am – St Patrick’s Day
- Monday 9th February Mental Health week
- Monday 9th February 2026 – Coffee Morning for parents with Ms Adolphe, Parent Liaison Officer – 9:15am
- Monday 9th February 2026 – PSA pancake morning**
- Tuesday 8th February 2026 – Parents’ Forum – 9:15am
- Tuesday 10th February 2026 Safer Internet Day
- Thursday 12th February 2026 – PSA pancake morning 8:00am**
- Friday 13th February – Dress to Express Day
- Friday 13th February 2026 – Reception Assembly 9:15am – Mother’s Day
- Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February – Half term break**
- Monday 23rd February Pupils return to school
- Wednesday 25th February – Arvon Primary Arts –creative writing and spoken word workshop with Year 4 and Year 5
- Monday 2nd March - Book week
- Friday 6th March - World Book Day
- Tuesday 10th March 2026 – Governing Body Meeting
- Wednesday 11th March – Y6 SATs meeting at 9:00am

Wednesday 11th March – PSA Mother’s Day Workshop

Friday 13th March 2026 9:15am Y3 Assembly – Eid-al-Fitr

Friday 13th March – PSA Iftar Evening 5:30pm –see PSA members for tickets

Monday 16th March – Science Week

Tuesday 17th March – Black STEM Assembly

Tuesday 17th March – Year 2 visit to Camley Natural Park

Wednesday 18th March 2026 –9:15am Year 1 Assembly - Easter

Friday 20th March Red Nose Day

Monday 23rd March – Music Concerts

Tuesday 24th March – Parents Evening

Thursday 26th March – World Maths Day

Thursday 26th March – PSA Easter Fair

Friday 27th March – Term ends at 1:30pm

Have an enjoyable and restful weekend and see you all on Monday.

Kind regards,

**Mrs Obinwanne
Headteacher**