

NORTH WALKDEN PRIMARY

NEWSLETTER 7th FEBRUARY 2025

We have had a very busy week in school with lots of exciting activities, Place2be workshops, Karate sessions and Altru drama sessions about World War 2 and the Titanic! Phew... I think we are all ready for a restful weekend to recharge our batteries ready for more fun in the last week of term. Get you dancing shoes on!!!!

After School Clubs: Booking for next terms clubs is still open until 12th February at 12pm or when fully booked. The clubs on offer after half term are....

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Year 1	PE Sports led by Premier: Benchball (20 children)	Miss Howarth: Targeted Phonics (12 children)	
Year 2		Mrs Blackshaw: Mindfulness (12 children)	
Year 3	Mrs Seddon: Mindfulness Painting (15 children)	PE Sports led by Premier: Basketball (20 children)	
Year 4			
Year 5		Mrs O'Reilly: Arts and Crafts (15 children)	PE Sports led by Premier: Basketball (20 children)
Year 6	Miss Worsley - Year 6 booster - small group of children chosen by teachers		



After School Clubs

All clubs will finish at Easter. If you have been able to complete the survey your child will have a place. Please ensure they attend each week, if your child misses two consecutive weeks we will offer their place to another child.



Every student. Every day.

Attendance action week: Next week, as part of Salford's drive to improve school attendance, the Attendance Team will be conducting supportive home visits for any children absent from school on that day who they feel their attendance could be improved. The visits are aimed at understanding reasons for absence and to offer the opportunity of support to parents.

Red Tiger Karate Club: On Thursday this week, we had a visit from the Red Tiger Karate Club. Each class has a taster session led by Red Tiger. It was great fun! See our Facebook page for pictures of the day!!! If you are interested in further information you can find it here on their website <https://www.redtigerkarateclub.co.uk/>



NSPCC Speak out Stay Safe workshops: The children in year2, 5 and 6 really enjoyed the workshops delivered by NSPCC this week. I would like to thank our visitors for delivering the sessions in a very informative and sensitive way. It is vital that children understand when and how to speak out if they need too.

I was also extremely delighted to receive the most wonderful feedback from the ladies who came to visit and I wanted to share this with you. The children of North Walkden always make me feel proud and thankful for our wonderful school.



"I wanted to share with you some feedback that Helen from NSPCC just gave me as she was leaving about their experience delivering the workshops at North Walkden.

She said she visits so many schools but that North Walkden stands out to her as being one of the best. She commented on the children in the classrooms being very attentive and engaging. She said that she understands how busy teachers are and in most schools she goes

to, they do not engage in any of the discussions because they are distracted with other things. She found the opposite here today though – according to her, our teachers were extremely supportive in helping to relay very sensitive and sometimes upsetting messages to the children, staff were attentive and engaging with the activities and she was extremely impressed. She gave a special mention to Year 6 who were concentrating so hard on their work that you could've heard a pin drop - they were so well behaved and were a real credit to North Walkden.

She was also very impressed that we have so many NSPCC and Childline posters dotted around school and we seem like an amazing school!"

The NSPCC have provided us with some fantastic resources and support for parents, this is attached for you to take a look. There is also a parent/carer workshop available – details below.

[NSPCC Online Safety Workshop for Parents/Carers](#)

The new **Keeping Children Safe Online workshop** provides parents and carers with information about how to support their child in their online world. The 40-minute pre-recorded presentation covers topics such as online bullying, mental health, and social media, as well as signposting to resources and organisations for help and support. The workshop can be shown to groups of parents in school or community settings as well as being helpful for individual parents/carers.

Information can be found [here](#) on NSPCC Learning and the pre-recorded workshop is available on YouTube here <https://youtu.be/MY5NDhvVkg4>



Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre

saferinternetday.org.uk

Internet Safety Day: On Tuesday 11th February the children at North Walkden will be celebrating Internet Safety Day. Being safe online is one of the most important things we can teach our children and is something that they discuss and work on regularly in school. We will again be focusing on the SMART rules, which enable the children to understand how they can keep safe online. As ever, we will try to link these rules into real life scenarios or individual class issues. Please discuss Online Safety with your

children at home and ask them about the SMART rules. Now would also be a good time to check parental controls on your children's devices to maximise their safety when online. Below are some useful links about parental controls to help you if you feel you need it:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/>

https://www.barnardos.org.uk/blog/online-safety-parents-questions?gclsrc=aw.ds&gad_source=1&gclid=EAlaIqObChMlo_yO7sKfiwMV_UJBAh3dsA0LEAAYASAAEgKh0vD_BwE

https://www.barnardos.org.uk/blog/online-safety-parents-questions?gclsrc=aw.ds&gad_source=1&gclid=EAlaIqObChMlo_yO7sKfiwMV_UJBAh3dsA0LEAAYASAAEgKh0vD_BwE

S
Stay Safe
Don't give out your personal information to people / places you don't know.

M
Don't Meet Up
Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Always check with an adult you trust.

A
Accepting Files
Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.

R
Reliable?
Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?

T
Tell Someone
Tell an adult if someone or something makes you feel worried or uncomfortable.

Follow these SMART tips to keep yourself safe online!

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SMART tips based on resources from www.thinkuknow.co.uk

Tesco Groundworks Grant: WE NEED YOUR HELP!! PLEASE KEEP VOTING

TESCO
Community Grants

Kent Young Corner

Thank you for your votes!

School has been successful in being eligible to win the Tesco Groundworks funding but we need your votes!!!!
To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token.

You can vote for us at these stores....
2744 Irlam Extra M44 6BL
4487 Partington Central Road Express M31 4EL
6017 Walkden Extra M28 3BT
6342 Lvrpool Road Irlam Express M44 6FY

To check the location of any of the above stores, please go to the Tesco website here: <http://www.tesco.com/store-locator/uk>

Please spread the word and get everyone to vote. Let's see if we can win so we can continue to improve our outside spaces. THANK YOU



Children should be in school by 8.45am if you arrive after this time you are late!

Well done to Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 5 for achieving their attendance target - let's keep this up throughout the year! Our attendance policy is on our website here <https://www.northwalkdenprimaryschool.co.uk/page/policies/25098>

Punctuality and Attendance

Please remember school starts at **8:45am** – Doors will be open from 8.35am. Children arriving after 8.55am must enter through the school office and be signed in.

Last week's attendance – Our School target and individual pupil target is 96%

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
Class attendance award	98 Silver	99 Silver	99 Silver	97 Silver	99 Silver	93	96 Bronze	89	96
Late arrivals	5	6	3	5	4	7	2	3	35

School communication: Please ensure you are logged into your school spider app so that you receive all the important messages we send out. If you need to download the app again, its 'School Spider' and then you can simply go to the log in page and click forgot password to reset your log in details.

Contacting School: If you wish to contact school then you can email us on NorthWalkdenPrimary.PupilContact@salford.gov.uk and we will respond the same day or call 0161 921 2921.

DIARY DATES: Whilst we aim not to change dates once set sometimes circumstances mean we have to, please always check the dates each week and update your plans accordingly. Any changes will be highlighted.

DATE	ACTIVITY/EVENT	TIME	CLASS/STAFF
TUESDAY 11 TH FEBRUARY	RECEPTION CLASS – TRIP TO IMAGINE THAT – letter emailed to parents 17.01.25 – Please pay your contribution on the Evolve Hub, thank you	9-3PM	RECEPTION CLASS
WEDNESDAY 12 TH FEBRUARY	RECEPTION VALENTINES WORKSHOP	9-9.45AM	RECEPTION PARENTS WELCOME
WEDNESDAY 12 TH FEBRUARY	EYFS VALENTINES DISCO - Tickets are £2.50 and this includes a professional DJ, drink and a snack. Please pay on the Evolve Hub, payment is your consent for your child to attend. On the day, the children can come into school in their own clothes with a red theme.	2-3PM	EYFS CHILDREN
WEDNESDAY 12 TH FEBRUARY	KEY STAGE 1 VALENTINES DISCO - Tickets are £2.50 and this includes a professional DJ, drink and a snack. Please pay on the Evolve Hub, payment is your consent for your child to attend. On the day, the children can come into school in their own clothes with a red theme.	3.30-4.30PM	YEARS 1 AND 2
WEDNESDAY 12 TH FEBRUARY	KS2 VALENTINES DISCO - Tickets are £5.00 for a meal deal (Hotdog or Cheese sandwich – please select the correct one to order on the Evolve Hub – orders must be received by Friday 7 th February). Entrance only is £3.50, payment is your consent for your child to attend. Children are welcome to dress up in a	5-6.30PM	YEARS 3-6

	Valentines theme for the disco. We will have a snack shop so they can also bring some spends if they wish to.		
THURSDAY 13 TH FEBRUARY	NURSERY STAY AND PLAY - PARENTS WELCOME – BOOKING WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM 13 TH JANUARY ON SCHOOL SPIDER - PLEASE BOOK YOUR SESSION	9AM OR 1PM	EYFS
FRIDAY 14 TH FEBRUARY	NON UNIFORM DAY FOR £1 DONATION – contribution for the whole year can be made on the Evolve hub is you prefer	9-3	ALL CLASSES
FRIDAY 14 TH FEBRUARY	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM BREAK	3.15PM	ALL CLASSES
DATE	ACTIVITY/EVENT	TIME	CLASS/STAFF
MONDAY 24 TH FEBRUARY	SCHOOL RE OPENS	8.45AM	ALL CLASSES
MONDAY 3 RD MARCH	PHONICS SCREENING CHECK - MEETING FOR PARENTS	3.20PM	YEAR ONE PARENTS
WEDNESDAY 5 TH MARCH	YEAR 2 FAMILY TIME WORKSHOP	9-9.45	YEAR 2 PARENTS WELCOME
WEDNESDAY 5 TH MARCH	YEAR 6 CRUCIAL CREW VISIT	9-12	YEAR 6
THURSDAY 6 TH MARCH	WORLD BOOK DAY- CHILDREN WELCOME TO DRESS UP AS ANY BOOK CHARACTER	ALL DAY	ALL CLASSES
THURSDAY 6 TH MARCH	DRAMA WORKSHOPS ACROSS SCHOOL - £2 contribution requested – please pay on the Evolve Hub	ALL DAY	RECEPTION TO YEAR 6
FRIDAY 7 TH MARCH	ZUMBA DAY – TASTER DAY – All children should come to school in their PE kit	ALL DAY	RECEPTION – YEAR 6
FRIDAY 7 TH MARCH	CHOCOLATE/EASTER GOODIES DONATION IN EXCHANGE FOR EXTRA PLAYTIME		ALL CLASSES
THURSDAY 13 TH MARCH	YEAR 3 AND 4 EXTRA PE SESSION – CHILDREN TO WEAR THEIR PE KITS	1-3PM	YEAR 3 AND 4 CHILDREN
THURSDAY 20 TH MARCH	YEAR 1 AND 2 EXTRA PE LESSONS – CHILDREN TO WEAR THEIR PE KITS	1-3PM	YEARS 1 AND 2
FRIDAY 21 ST MARCH	RED NOSE DAY- DONATIONS FOR NON UNIFORM CAN BE MADE HERE https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd25-north-walkden-primary-school?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL If you would like a red nose you can buy them from here https://shop.comicrelief.com/collections/red-nose-day-2025	ALL DAY	ALL CLASSES
MONDAY 24 TH MARCH	EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS GO ON SALE	9AM	OPEN TO ALL PARENTS
WEDNESDAY 26 TH MARCH	PARENTS EVENING – letter will be sent home wc 03.02.25	3.30-6.30PM	YEARS N - YEAR 6
THURSDAY 27 TH MARCH	YEAR 5 AND 6 EXTRA PE LESSONS – CHILDREN TO WEAR THEIR PE KITS	1-3PM	YEARS 5 AND 6
TUESDAY 1 ST APRIL	WIZARD OF OZ PRODUCTION - £2 contribution requested – please pay on the Evolve Hub	9.15AM	YEARS 1-6 CHILDREN
WEDNESDAY 2 ND APRIL	EYFS AND KEY STAGE 1 EASTER HAT COMPETITION		EYFS AND KEY STAGE 1 WELCOME TO BRING A HAT TO SCHOOL
THURSDAY 3 RD APRIL	NURSERY STAY AND PLAY – BOOKING WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM 3 RD MARCH ON SCHOOL SPIDER - PLEASE BOOK YOUR SESSION	9AM OR 1PM	NURSERY
THURSDAY 3 RD APRIL	KEY STAGE 2 EGG DISPLAY COMPETITION	BRING TO HALL AT 8.45AM	ALL KEY STAGE 2 CHILDREN

			WELCOME TO JOIN
THURSDAY 3 RD APRIL	YEAR 5 EASTER EXPERIENCE AT CHURCH	1-3PM	YEAR 5 – CHILDREN ONLY
THURSDAY 3 RD APRIL	EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE DRAW	2PM	SCHOOL COUNCIL
FRIDAY 4 TH APRIL	NON UNIFORM DAY FOR £1 DONATION – contribution for the whole year can be made on the Evolve hub is you prefer	ALL DAY	ALL CLASSES
FRIDAY 4 TH APRIL	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR EASTER BREAK	2PM	ALL CLASSES

Kind regards, Mrs Warburton