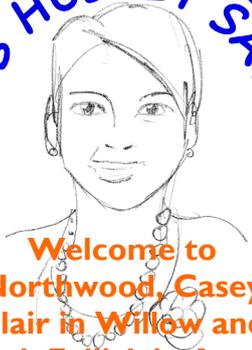




NORTHWOOD news

Friday 28th February

MISS HUSSEY SAYS...



Welcome to Northwood, Casey Blair in Willow and Jacob Fallick in Apple!

Stars



of the week!

Apple	Hannah Burt Cara Byford Matthew Kay
Cherry	Jayden Long Sebastian Bauld Lewis Hall
Willow	Albert Krista Ruby Matthews Hayden Lythgoe
Beech	Hayden Casley Owen Dexter Ruby Clarke
Elm	Joshua Annett Harvey Brett-Hill Jack Goring
Aspen	Kiera Hillier Kieren Hawkevell Curtis Thompson Thomas Hirst
Lime	Nicole Knight Josef Krista Joel Mew Olivia Pattimore

Maths Curriculum Evening

One of our main priorities for this academic year is to focus on the improvement of teaching maths across the school. This ties in with the government introducing a new national curriculum from September 2014. With this in mind we are running a maths evening on **Wednesday 5th March**. This will begin at **6.30 pm** with a quick overview of the new curriculum and the changes we have already made to our maths curriculum. You will then have the opportunity to spend some time with the individual teachers in workshops seeing how it is done! This is a good opportunity for you to ask staff any questions about maths teaching. Everyone is welcome to attend and refreshments will be available.

Parents Evenings

These are coming up for years 1,2,3,4 and 5 and the dates are as follows:
Year 1 and year 2 (Cherry and Willow) – **Monday 24th March and Tuesday 25th March**
Year 3 and 4 (Beech and Elm) – **Monday 24th March and Monday 31st March**
Year 5 (Aspen) – **Tuesday 25th March and Thursday 27th March**
Year 5 (Lime) – **Monday 24th March and Thursday 27th March**
Lists will go up in the week commencing **10th March**.

Pancake Day

This is next **Tuesday 4th March** and the PTA are organising pancake races at lunchtime for the children. All children will be able to take part but we would appreciate a silver donation to cover the costs of the pancakes and raise a few more pennies towards our new books. Thank you.

Teachers Strike

There is proposed industrial action for the **26th March**. At this time we are unsure how this will affect our staffing ratios. As soon as we know we will communicate this to you as we understand this has an impact on you all.

Under 11's Girls Football

Our team of girls represented Northwood in a tournament at Queensgate Primary on Friday 14th February. A huge thank you to the parents for braving the awful weather to get them to the venue. Fortunately the matches were indoors! The team gave their all and won 3 games, lost 4 and drew 2. Well done to everyone and in particular to the two Y4 girls, Charlotte Brooke and Emily Tilling.

Lost school shirt

We think that someone from Y5/6 went home in the wrong school shirt after PE on Wednesday. Tom Hirst has lost his Marks and Spencer's shirt but there was one left over which did not belong to him. Please check that your child came home in their own shirt. Thank you.

Relief cleaner

We are looking for someone who might be available for cleaning on a casual relief basis. The hours worked are two per day, after school and the hourly rate is £6.54. Please pop into the office if you are interested.

World Book Day

Come to school as your favourite book character next **Thursday 6th March**. There will be prizes for the best costumes in YR, KS1 and KS2. All children will also receive a book token. We would welcome any volunteers to come in to share a favourite story with the children. Just let the office know if you are available.



If your child is unwell and unable to come into school, please contact the office by 9.30. Telephone 293392

the
Son
SUPPORTERS OF NORTHWOOD

The Valentine's Day Mufti, Cake Stall and Party raised a profit of £362.12. Wow! Thank you for your support.

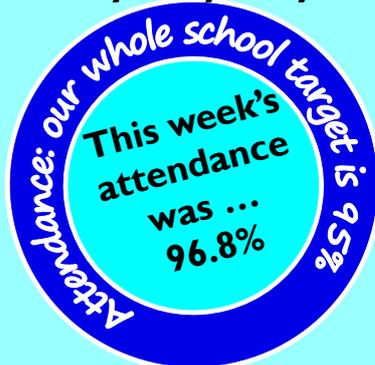
Race Night on Friday 21st March. Tickets on sale next week, £6.50 adult, £3.50 child including a Chinese Supper.

Scholastic Book Fair week commencing 24th March.

Mother's Day Craft Friday 28th March

Next PTA Meeting 12th March @ 6pm

Busy, busy, busy!



Dates for the Spring Term

MARCH

- 6th World Book Day
 - 7th KSI Big Sharing Assembly
 - 14th KS2 Big Sharing Assembly
 - 20th Y3/4 Cross Country Relay Race @ Cowes Enterprise College 3pm
 - 24th Cherry, Willow, Beech, Elm and Lime(Y5) Parent Evenings
 - 25th Cherry, Willow and Aspen (Y5) Parent Evenings
 - 26th Year 5/6 Cowes Cluster Cross Country @ Northwood 2pm
 - 27th Aspen (Y5) and Lime (Y5) Parent Evenings
 - 31st Beech and Elm Parent Evenings
- ### APRIL
- 2nd - 4th Year 5 East Dene Residential Trip
 - 4th KSI Big Sharing Assembly
 - 4th Break up for Easter Holiday

Parking

Two registration numbers were reported to us this week for parking on the zig zags – S765 FDL and ST58KLC. Please be aware that “White zig zags lines are classed as dual enforcement restriction, this means the council can issue tickets to vehicles parked in contravention, likewise the police can also issue to vehicles parked in contravention. The only difference is the police fine also carries penalty points. **You cannot park on these at any time.**” We obviously do not want anyone having to pay fines but more importantly, we do not want the safety of the children compromised by parking and manoeuvring thoughtlessly and illegally.

Cake Stall

To raise funds to subsidise future school trips, we would like to hold another cake stall next **Friday 7th March**. Please bring your cakes (or savouries) into the office on Friday morning. The sale will begin at 3pm. Proceeds from this event will be used to subsidise a trip that Aspen and Lime classes are hoping to organise for the end of March.

Short Story Competition

The PTA would like entries for a story competition. There will be vouchers as prizes. Entries in the Little Bird Box by **Friday 21st March**.

Head Lice

We have had several reports of head lice in various classes so please check your children and treat as necessary. We do have a small number of “nit combs” available from the office along with information on treatments.

How to spot head lice

Head lice can be difficult to detect, even when you closely inspect your child's head.

If you think your child may have head lice:

Check your child's hair. The most common places for head lice to lurk are in the hair behind the ears and at the nape of the neck.

If you still can't spot any lice, comb the child's hair with a special 'nit comb'.

These are available from most chemists. It's easier to spot head lice as they fall out if you comb the hair over a piece of white paper.

Treating head lice:

If head lice are present, you need to treat your child. You should only treat your child if you find live head lice, which confirms a live infestation. Don't treat 'just in case'. Head lice are tough. They can't be killed by washing with normal shampoo or normal combing. Because they reproduce so quickly, you've got to kill them before they spread. If your child has head lice, check everyone in the family. You'll need to treat everyone affected to get rid of them. You can treat head lice by wet-combing hair with conditioner and a special comb, or by using medicated lotions or sprays available over the counter at pharmacies.

Parking

Please park considerately for the safety of your children and as a courtesy to our neighbours. Thank you.

A world of opportunities