



# NORTHWOOD news

Friday 6th January

**MISS HUSSEY SAYS...**

**Happy New Year  
Welcome back and we  
hope you all had a good  
break.**

**Stars  
of the week!**

<b>Apple</b>	<b>Marshall Seager-Norris Matthew Humber Poppy Hughes</b>
<b>Cherry</b>	<b>Afiya Guy Jude Walton Riley Corrigan</b>
<b>Willow</b>	<b>Miles Harvey Maisie Hotchin-Adcock Gabija Bates</b>
<b>Elm</b>	<b>Rowland Toney Travis Williams Libby Henstridge</b>
<b>Beech</b>	<b>Emelyne Whitlock Aaron Harlow Emily King</b>
<b>Sycamore</b>	<b>Yogi Ashworth Emily Tickner Daniel Higgs</b>
<b>Oak</b>	<b>Chloe Ryan Lucy Way William Quelch</b>

## The Importance of Reading

We are well aware that we all have increasingly busy lives and finding time to read with your children is hard, however it is really important. We are noticing that more and more children are doing very little reading outside of school and there are very few comments written in the reading diaries. With the demands of the new curriculum staff in school have less and less time to hear children read individually and we tend to teach reading and phonics in groups or whole class sessions. We also have very few volunteers that come in to support us with this. This means that is even more important that you work with us and support your child's development. Just sitting down together for 10 minutes every other day, sharing a book, guessing what might happen next, asking questions about the characters can and will make a huge difference to your child's reading. Once a child can read fluently, a whole world of imagination and adventure is opened up for them. If you think you or a member of your family could spare some time to hear readers then please let the school office know.

## Year 6 SATs

This is the week of **May 8th** and we will need adults to support the children during the tests. We use the adults in a supportive role to encourage the children to have a go and not to get too anxious. The adults can also help with the reading of the questions in the maths test. The tests are Monday to Thursday and finish every day by 10.30. If you are able to help let Mr Emmett or the school office know.

## Chicken Pox

As you will have probably realised we have quite a substantive number of younger children off school with Chicken Pox at the moment. If your child does come down with them please be aware that they cannot be back in school until all the spots have dried up and scabbed over.

## Pupil Vacancy in Apple Tree

We were over-subscribed for our reception class in September and have had several families held on a waiting list. However, we now have one space if you know of anyone who would be interested.

### REMINDER

The closing date for primary school applications is midnight on **15th January 2017** and after this date the online application form will be closed. If you are unable to apply online you can request an application form from School Admissions by telephoning 823455.

## Safeguarding Update

You will be aware that Northwood, like every other school has a duty of care to ensure all children and staff are safeguarded. Every member of staff has the relevant training, including training on the Prevent Duty. Any concerns are reported to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (Miss Hussey) or the Deputy Safeguarding Lead (Mrs Strand). If you have any concerns regarding the welfare of any child you can report them to the appropriate people or refer it yourself to the IW Council. (You can find the relevant contact details on [iwight.com](http://iwight.com)).



If your child is unwell and unable to come into school, please contact the office by 9.30am. Telephone 293392 or email [office@northwoodpri.co.uk](mailto:office@northwoodpri.co.uk)

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**Valentine Disco**  
Friday 10th Feb 3-4pm

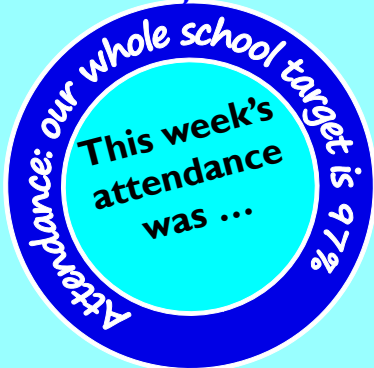
**Penny Wars!**  
We begin Penny Wars next

Friday 13th January -  
Friday 10th February.  
We will send home a flyer next week explaining how it works but in the meantime start collecting your copper coins!

**Congratulations to the lottery winners over the break - Derrick, Paula and Louise.**

**Sign up to our lottery at [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk)**

**Search for Northwood. You will also be in with a chance to win the national prize of £25,000!**



## Dates for the Spring Term

### January

**10th** Chartwells 'Queen's Coming to Tea' YR, Y1 & Y2

**24th** Randini Roadshow

**27th** Chartwells 'Soup, Wrap & Roll' for parents 9am-2pm

### February

**6th** Y5/6 Basketball @ CEC 3.30-5.30pm

**17th** Break up for half term

**27th** Back to school

### March

**29th-31st** Y5 East Dene Residential Trip

### April

**7th** Break up for Easter

**24th** Back to school

## Development Days 2016/17

**Monday 5th and**

**Tuesday 6th September 2016.**

**Tuesday 3rd January 2017**

**Monday 24th and**

**Tuesday 25th July 2017.**

## MSA Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Mid-day Supervisory Assistant. Application forms can be picked up from the office from Monday. If you know anyone that might be interested in this position please let them know.

## Parent View

Just a reminder that it is really important you give your views of the school on the OFSTED Parent View website. This is where any OFSTED inspectors will look for your opinions of the school. It only takes 10 minutes so please try to find the time to help us with this.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

## Lost Property

Our own Mount Everest of lost property is available for you to view in the foyer. Next **Friday 13th January**, all remaining clothing will be offered for sale at 50p per item. This will be in the school hall from **3.10pm**. It has been noticed that not all children are wearing the correct uniform so this might be an opportunity to restock at little expense. So to remind you of our uniform expectations-

### KS1

#### Girls Winter.

You may select from:

Navy or grey pinafore dress, skirt or trousers.

White blouse

or school polo shirt.

**Royal blue** cardigan or school sweat-shirt.

#### Girls Summer.

Blue and white gingham dress or school polo shirt and winter skirt.

#### Boys Winter

You may select from:

White shirt, or school polo shirt.

**Royal blue** pullover or school sweat-shirt.

Grey trousers.

#### Boys Summer

School polo shirt;

Grey shorts if preferred.

### KS2 (years 3, 4, 5 & 6)

White shirt/blouse and tie,

**Royal blue** school cardigan or

V necked sweatshirt.

Grey trousers or skirts.

Girls; blue and white dress in summer

## Parking

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

*A world of opportunities*