

NORTH WALKDEN PRIMARY

NEWSLETTER 9th May 2025



Headteacher's Weekly Awards - WELL DONE TO OUR STARS OF THE WEEK

All the children get a special mention in the Achievement assembly on Friday and will bring home a certificate detailing the reason for their award.

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Harriet Belal	Neitas Renee	Fiyinfoluwa Theo	Jamie Farhan	Otis Amy	Yassmin Lucia	Carter Louis	Laura Bobby


**GOOD
LUCK!**
For your SATs
YEAR 6

SATS week: We're just a few days away from the SATs week, and I know some of you might be feeling a little nervous. But let's remember all the amazing things you've learned and how hard you've worked this year! You've all put in the effort, and you've all got this.

Remember, the SATs are just one piece of the puzzle. They don't define you, they just give us a glimpse into your knowledge and skills. And let's be honest, you've got so much more to offer than just what's on those tests! You're all creative, kind, intelligent, and capable, and that's what really matters.

Next week is a chance for you to show everyone how much you've learned and how much you've grown. We're going to tackle this together, and we're going to make it a success! I have complete faith in each and every one of you. **Good luck to all of our year 6 children.**

Road Safety: There have been a couple of incidents recently, therefore we would like to remind everyone to always check that traffic has stopped and not just rely upon the crossing. Please also make sure your child walks with you so you can keep a check on where they are and that they are being safe. It would be a good opportunity to speak to your child(ren) to remind them how to stay safe. We have attached a guide for parents to support you with this.





Class Photographs: Your child will brought home a letter from JS Photography on Tuesday this week detailing how to order a photograph. After listening to your feedback, we decided to switch from Kittle to JS Photography and we think they've done a fabulous job - we hope you agree!

To view/order your photo's you can either **scan the QR code** on the letter, **visit their website: photos.jssp.co.uk** and then type in the access code that is included in the letter when prompted, or you can **ring them** on 01773717984.

They have some great introductory offers so make sure you take a look! All orders must be placed by **15th May 2025** in order to receive free delivery to school. Any orders received after this date will mean that you'll have to pay a delivery charge. Please note that all orders will be delivered to school approximately 2 weeks from the 15th May 2025.



Summer menu – school dinners: The new summer menu is now on our website here <https://www.northwalkdenprimaryschool.co.uk/page/school-meals-and-packed-lunches/25103> you can order a school meal at any time or send in a packed lunch if you prefer.

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

Well done to Reception, Year 1, Year 2, 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	96 Bronze	97 Silver	95	95	95	96 Bronze	96 Bronze	88	95
Late arrivals	5	5	4	1	3	7	2	2	29

For more information on how to support your child to be in school and understand the impact missing school has please go to;

[Miss School, Miss Out•Salford City Council](#)

Attendance: If you need any support with getting your child to school please take a look at the information available for parents and carers to help identify and reduce any barriers they may have. You can find this information on the school website here <https://www.northwalkdenprimaryschool.co.uk/page/attendance/29975> in the files to download section.

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.

Online Safety - support for parents and carers: Please see the information below

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

WHATSAPP

AGE RESTRICTION
16+
in UK and Europe;
rest of the world 13+

With more than two billion active users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls, WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service. Its end-to-end encryption only allows messages to be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp itself can read them. This privacy issue has been in the spotlight recently, as the UK's Online Safety Bill proposes to end such encryption on private messaging; WhatsApp is unwilling to do so and has reportedly considered withdrawing its service in the UK should this legislation go ahead.

EVOLVING SCAMS

WhatsApp's popularity makes it a lucrative hunting ground for scammers. Recent examples include posing as the target's child, requesting a money transfer because of a spurious 'emergency'. Plus a scam where fraudsters trigger a verification message by attempting to log in to your account, then (posing as WhatsApp) call or text to ask you to repeat the code back to them, giving them access.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

To start a chat, someone only needs the mobile number of the WhatsApp user that they want to message. If your child has ever given their number out to someone they don't know, that person could then contact them via WhatsApp. It's also possible that your child might be added to a group chat (by one of their friends, for example) containing other people that they don't know.

FAKE NEWS

WhatsApp's connectivity and ease of use allows news to be shared rapidly – whether it's true or not. To combat the spread of misinformation, messages forwarded more than five times on the app now display a 'Forwarded many times' label and a double arrow icon. This makes users aware that the message they've just received is far from an original – and might not be entirely factual, either.

ONLINE

'VIEW ONCE' CONTENT

The facility to send images or messages that can only be viewed once has led to some WhatsApp users sharing inappropriate images or abusive texts, knowing that the recipient can't re-open them later to use as evidence of misconduct. People used to be able to screenshot this 'disappearing' content – but a recently added WhatsApp feature now blocks this, citing increased privacy.

CHAT LOCK

Another new option allows users to store certain messages or chats in a separate 'locked chats' folder, saved behind a passcode, fingerprint or face ID authentication. The risk here is that this function creates the potential for young people to hide conversations and content that they suspect their parents wouldn't approve of (such as age-inappropriate material).

VISIBLE LOCATION

WhatsApp's 'live location' feature lets users share their current whereabouts, which can be helpful for friends meeting up or parents checking that their child's safely on the way home, for example. However, anyone in your child's contacts list or in a mutual group chat can also track their location – potentially letting strangers identify a child's home address or journeys that they make regularly.

Advice for Parents & Carers ...TYPING...

EMPHASISE CAUTION

Encourage your child to treat unexpected messages with caution: get them to consider, for example, whether the message sounds like something a friend or relative would really send them. Make sure they know never to share personal details over WhatsApp, and to be wary of clicking on any links in messages. Setting up two-step verification adds a further layer of protection to their WhatsApp account.

ADJUST THE SETTINGS

It's wise to change your child's WhatsApp settings (go to 'Privacy', then 'Groups') to specify which of their contacts can add them to group chats without needing approval: you can give permission to 'My Contacts' or 'My Contacts Except ...'. Additionally, if your child needs to use 'live location', emphasise that they should enable this function for only as long as they need – and then turn it off.

THINKING BEFORE SHARING

Help your child to understand why it's important to stop and think before posting or forwarding something on WhatsApp. It's easy – and all too common – for content to then be shared more widely (even publicly on social media). Encourage your child to consider how an ill-judged message might damage their reputation or upset a friend who sent something to them in confidence.

CHAT ABOUT PRIVACY

Some parents like to check in with their child about how they're using WhatsApp, explaining that it will help to keep them safe. If you spot a 'Locked Chats' folder, you might want to talk about the sort of chats that are in there, who they're with and why your child wants to keep them hidden. Also, if your child has sent any 'view once' content, you could discuss their reasons for using this feature.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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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
MONDAY 12 TH MAY	SATS WEEK BEGINS	ALL WEEK	YEAR 6
THURSDAY 15 TH MAY	YEAR 5 EXTRA PE LESSON	1-2PM	YEAR 5
FRIDAY 16 TH MAY	YEAR 6 EXTRA PE LESSON	1-3	YEAR 6
THURSDAY 22 ND MAY	NURSERY STAY AND PLAY	9AM OR 1PM BOOKING SYSTEM	NURSERY PARENTS WELCOME
THURSDAY 22 ND MAY	NON UNIFORM DAY FOR £1	ALL DAY	ALL CLASSES EXCEPT YEAR 5
THURSDAY 22 ND MAY	YEAR 5 WATERSPORTS SESSION 1	9-3	YEAR 5
THURSDAY 22 ND MAY	YEAR ONE CHURCH EXPERIENCE	1-3	YEAR 3 CHILDREN ONLY
THURSDAY 22 ND MAY	BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM	3.15PM	WHOLE SCHOOL
DATE	ACTIVITY/EVENT	TIME	CLASS/STAFF
WEDNESDAY 4 TH JUNE	SCHOOL RE-OPENS	8.45AM	WHOLE SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY 4 TH JUNE	YEAR 6 TRIP TO SAFETY CENTRE	9-3	YEAR 6 CLASS
FRIDAY 6 TH JUNE	YEAR 5 WATERSPORTS SESSION 1	9-3	YEAR 5
MONDAY 9 TH JUNE	PHONICS SCREENING CHECK WEEK	ALL WEEK	YEAR 1 CHILDREN
WEDNESDAY 11 TH JUNE	YEAR 5 FAMILY TIME WORKSHOP	9-10	YEAR 5 PARENTS WELCOME
THURSDAY 12 TH JUNE	YEAR 2 CHURCH EXPERIENCE	1-3	YEAR 2 CHILDREN
FRIDAY 13 TH JUNE	ALTRU DRAMA COMPANY TO WORK WITH YEARS 1 AND 2	ALL DAY	YEAR 1 AND 2 CHILDREN
FRIDAY 13 TH JUNE	YEAR 5 WATERSPORTS SESSION 3	9-3	YEAR 5 CHILDREN
THURSDAY 19 TH JUNE	YEAR 1 AND 2 EXTRA PE SESSIONS	1-3	YEAR 1 AND 2
FRIDAY 20 TH JUNE	EXTRA PLAY IN EXCHANGE FOR A CHOCOLATE DONATION FOR SUMMER FAIR	EXTRA PLAY	ALL CLASSES
SATURDAY 21ST JUNE	SUMMER FAIR	11-1	EVERYBODY WELCOME
TUESDAY 24 TH JUNE	NURSERY TRIP TO SMITHILLS FARM		NURSERY
WEDNESDAY 25 TH JUNE	RECEPTION CLASS ASSEMBLY	9AM	RECEPTION PARENTS WELCOME
WEDNESDAY 25 TH JUNE	NEW NURSERY AND RECEPTION PARENTS MEETING AND WALKABOUT	5PM	NEW EYFS PARENTS

THURSDAY 26 TH JUNE	HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION DAYS- DETAILS TO FOLLOW	ALL DAY	YEAR 6
THURSDAY 26 TH JUNE	YEAR 5 EXTRA PE SESSION	1-2	YEAR 5
FRIDAY 27 TH JUNE	HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION DAYS- DETAILS TO FOLLOW	ALL DAY	YEAR 6
MONDAY 30 TH JUNE	NEW NURSERY CHILDREN PHONECALLS	1PM	NEW NURSERY PARENTS
TUESDAY 1 ST JULY	NEW NURSERY CHILDREN PHONECALLS	1PM	NEW NURSERY PARENTS
WEDNESDAY 2 ND JULY	YEAR 6 TIME ODESSEY TRIP	9-3	YEAR 6 CLASS
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY 3 RD AND 4 TH JULY	CANON SLADE TRANSITION DAYS	ALL DAY	ANY PUPILS MOVING TO CANON SLADE
THURSDAY 3 RD JULY	YEAR 6 CHURCH EXPERIENCE	1-3	YEAR 6 CLASS
THURSDAY 3 RD JULY	YEAR 3 AND 4 EXTRA PE SESSION	1-3	YEAR 3 AND 4 CLASSES
FRIDAY 4 TH JULY	NEW TO SCHOOL RECEPTION ADMISSIONS FOR 2025 - VISIT	9.15 – 10.15	Reception 2025 admissions
MONDAY 7 TH JULY	YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY SESSIONS ALL WEEK	ALL WEEK	YEAR 6
TUESDAY 8 TH JULY	NEW NURSERY CHILDREN COME TO VISIT WITH PARENTS/CARER	9.15-10.15	NEW NURSERY CHILDREN AND ADULTS
WEDNESDAY 9 TH JULY	NEW NURSERY CHILDREN COME TO VISIT WITH PARENTS/CARER	9.15-10.15	NEW NURSERY CHILDREN AND ADULTS
WEDNESDAY 9 TH JULY	YEAR 4 FIELDWORK DAY AT SEVEN ACRES	9-3	YEAR 4 CHILDREN
THURSDAY 10 TH JULY	NEW TO RECEPTION CHILDREN VISIT TO SCHOOL	9.15-10.15	NEW RECEPTION CHILDREN
FRIDAY 11 TH JULY	ANNUAL REPORTS TO PARENTS		
MONDAY 14 TH JULY	FRONT ROW MUSIC CONCERT – children who have lunch time lessons will be showing us how fantastic they are – parent of the children playing are invited to come and watch	2.45pm	Front Row lessons
TUESDAY 15 TH JULY	YEAR 6 LEAVERS SHOW FOR PARENTS	2PM	YEAR 6 PARENTS AND CARERS WELCOME
WEDNESDAY 16 TH JULY	KEY STAGE 1 SPORTS MORNING	9.15 AM	FAMILIES WELCOME
WEDNESDAY 16 TH JULY	YEAR 6 LEAVERS SHOW FOR PARENTS	5PM	YEAR 6 PARENTS AND CARERS WELCOME
THURSDAY 17 TH JULY	EYFS SPORTS MORNING	9.15AM	FAMILIES WELCOME
FRIDAY 18 TH JULY	KEY STAGE 2 SPORTS MORNING	9.15AM	FAMILIES WELCOME
MONDAY 21 ST JULY	MOVE UP MORNING	9.15-10.15	

MONDAY 21 ST JULY	KEY STAGE 2 WATER PLAY AFTERNOON	1-3	KEY STAGE 2
MONDAY 21 ST JULY	LEAVERS MEAL – RESTAURANT TBC	5PM	YEAR 6
TUESDAY 22 ND JULY	EYFS AND KEY STAGE 1 BUMP AND BOUNCE FUNDAY	ALL DAY IN GROUPS	EYFS KS1
TUESDAY 22 ND JULY	KEY STAGE 2 TALENT SHOW!	1-3	KEY STAGE 2
WEDNESDAY 23 RD JULY	LEAVERS ASSEMBLY	9AM	YEAR 6 PARENTS AND CARERS WELCOME
WEDNESDAY 23 RD JULY	NON UNIFORM DAY FOR £1 DONATION		
WEDNESDAY 23 RD JULY	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS	2PM	WHOLE SCHOOL

Kind regards, Mrs Warburton