

HELLO October

NORTH WALKDEN PRIMARY - Newsletter

3rd October 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
BRYAN AMELYA	HARRIET M MOIZ	ALEX GEORGE	MASON ARUVI	FAREEDAH OLLIE	ANIRLAN MOHAMMAD	ALIZA GEORGIE	WHOLE CLASS

Dear Parents and Carers,

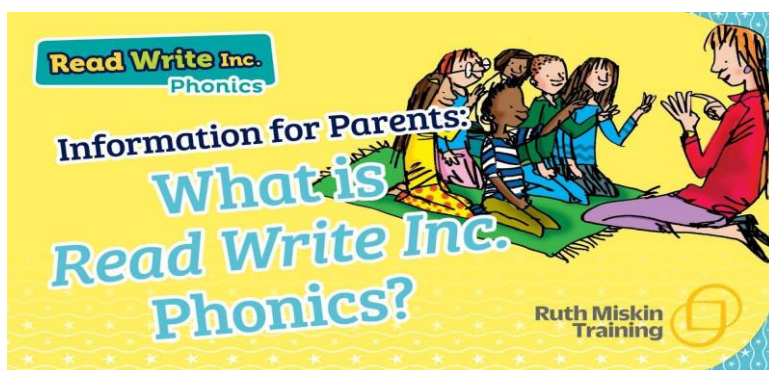
We can't quite believe we're already in October – time really does fly when you're having fun! The children have settled beautifully into the new school year, and – believe it or not – they've already been designing their **Christmas cards** this week! Keep an eye out for your chance to order some lovely personalised gifts in time for (dare we say it...) Christmas!

It's been another busy and exciting week in school.

Year 3 & 4 have enjoyed an extra PE session – a reminder to please check the dates below and ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit for these extra sessions as well as their scheduled PE day.

A big thank you to all the parents who attended our **Read Write Inc. meeting** – we were delighted to see so many of you. Early reading truly is the key to unlocking the door of learning. Not only does reading for pleasure spark imagination and curiosity, but strong reading skills are essential for accessing the full curriculum and giving children the best opportunities in life. To support parents with Read Write Inc. (RWI), alongside the reading books for home, there is access to online resources like the Ruth Miskin Literacy website,

and guidance on practicing sounds and "Red Words" (high-frequency sight words). Parents can support their child by practicing daily reading, using "Fred Talk" to blend sounds, and discussing books to build comprehension and enjoyment, with videos and tutorials available to help them understand the RWI program. It really is a partnership between school and parents that will help your child to blossom into a wonderful reader.



Year 4 enjoyed a lovely visit to **St John's Church** this week to learn about **Harvest** – a time to give thanks for the food we have and think about those in need. Thank you to St John's and the wonderful volunteers who always give such kind support to our school.

Although the corridors have felt a little quieter than usual... we think we know why!

Year 6 have been off on their **residential trip to Boreatton Park**. We hope you've been following their adventures on our Facebook page – they have certainly been having an amazing time! Residential trips like this are a fantastic opportunity for children to build **resilience, independence, teamwork**, and to create memories that last a lifetime. Our **Year 5** children will be heading off on their residential next September, so do take a look at what exciting experiences they'll have to look forward to.

Next Week at a Glance:



Photograph Day – Wednesday 8th October

Please come in full school uniform and your smartest smiles!

Drama Workshop – Years 2 & 3

Year 4 Trip to Bolton Museum

There are lots more events coming up – please take a look at the diary dates below.

Uniform Reminder: We kindly remind all families to check our **school uniform policy** [here](#).

We also have **abundant pre-loved stock** available – all items just £1! Come and have a browse – we have winter coats, shoes, shirts (brand new in packets), jumpers, cardigans, and more.

A Note on Recent Events: As you will be aware, there has been a terrible incident in the wider community this week. A separate email has been sent addressing this. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Local Community Events: please find attached information about some of the local community events that you may be interested in.



The Importance of Punctuality in School

Being punctual means arriving on time and ready to start the day. In school, punctuality is very important because it helps students develop discipline, respect, and responsibility. When you arrive on time, you don't miss important lessons or instructions, which helps you stay on track with your studies.

On the other hand, being late can disrupt your learning and the class environment. It can make it harder for you to catch up, and it can also distract your classmates and teachers. Over time, consistently being late can affect your grades and overall performance.

In short, punctuality helps you build good habits that will benefit you throughout your life—both in school and beyond.

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

Well done to Nursery, Reception, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 6. Almost a full house – let's see if every class can achieve this next week!

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	97 SILVER	99 GOLD	95	98 SILVER	96 BRONZE	96 BRONZE	90	98 SILVER	96
Late arrivals	4	4	1	2	4	1	10	5	31

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@northwalkdenprimaryschool.co.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
WEDNESDAY 8 TH OCTOBER	INDIVIDUAL AND SIBLING PHOTOGRAPHS	8-11AM	WHOLE SCHOOL
FRIDAY 10 TH OCTOBER	DRAMA WORKSHOPS FOR YEARS 2 AND 3	YEAR 2 AM YEAR 3 PM	YEAR 2 AND 3
FRIDAY 10 TH OCTOBER	TRIP TO BOLTON MUSEUM	9.30AM – 3.15PM	YEAR 4
WK BEGINNING 13 TH OCTOBER	CHRISTMAS CARD DESIGN – ONLINE SHOP OPENS FOR TWO WEEKS	ALL WEEK	ALL CLASSES
WEDNESDAY 15 TH OCTOBER	YEAR 6 FAMILY TIME WORKSHOP	9-10AM	YEAR 6 PARENTS WELCOME
THURSDAY 16 TH OCTOBER	NURSERY STAY AND PLAY	9-10 AM OR 1-2PM- BOOKINGS TO FOLLOW	NURSERY PARENTS WELCOME
WEDNESDAY 22 ND OCTOBER	AUTUMN/HALLOWEEN DISCO – Please book your place on The Evolve Hub – information emailed out on 29.09.28	EYFS- 2-3 KS1- 3.30- 4.30 KS2- 5- 6.30PM	WHOLE SCHOOL=
THURSDAY 23 RD OCTOBER	READING AND PHONICS MEETING FOR RECEPTION PARENTS	9.15AM	RECEPTION PARENTS
FRIDAY 24 TH OCTOBER	PUMPKIN COMPETITION – ALL CHILDREN WELCOME TO BRING A DECORATED PUMPKIN TO SCHOOL	MAKE AT HOME	WHOLE SCHOOL WELCOME TO JOIN
FRIDAY 24 TH OCTOBER	NON UNIFORM DAY FOR £1	ALL DAY	WHOLE SCHOOL
FRIDAY 24 TH OCTOBER	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR HALF TERM	3.15PM	WHOLE SCHOOL

DATE	ACTIVITY/EVENT	TIME	CLASS/STAFF
MONDAY 3 RD NOVEMBER	SCHOOL RE OPENS	8.45AM	WHOLE SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY 5 TH NOVEMBER	RECEPTION BONFIRE WORKSHOP	9-10AM	RECEPTION PARENTS WELCOME TO ATTEND
THURSDAY 6 TH NOVEMBER	YEAR 6 EXTRA PE SESSION – PLEASE WEAR PE KIT	PM	YEAR 6
TUESDAY 11 TH NOVEMBER	2 MINUTE SILENCE IN CLASS	11AM	YEAR 3-6
WEDNESDAY 12 TH NOVEMBER	YEAR 5 FAMILY TIME WORKSHOP	9-10AM	YEAR 5 PARENTS WELCOME
THURSDAY 13 TH NOVEMBER	YEAR 3 AND 4 EXTRA PE SESSION	PM	YEAR 3 AND 4
WEEK BEGINNING 17 TH NOVEMBER	ASSESSMENT WEEK 1	ALL WEEK	YEARS 1-6
WEEK BEGINNING 17 TH NOVEMBER	CHRISTMAS SHOP ORDERS RECEIVED – THESE WILL BE SENT HOME DURING THE WEEK		ALL CLASSES
THURSDAY 20 TH NOVEMBER	YEAR 1 AND 2 EXTRA PE SESSION	PM	YEAR 1 AND 2
MONDAY 24 TH NOVEMBER	PARENTS EVENING PHONECALLS	4-5.30PM	WHOLE SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY 24 TH NOVEMBER	PARENTS EVENING FACE TO FACE MEETINGS	3.30-6.30PM	WHOLE SCHOOL
FRIDAY 28 TH NOVEMBER	EXTRA PLAY IN EXCHANGE FOR CHRISTMAS HAMPER DONATION	TBC	WHOLE SCHOOL
MONDAY 1 ST DECEMBER	HAMPER TICKETS GO ON SALE	9AM	ALL PARENTS WELCOME TO BUY TICKETS
THURSDAY 4 TH DECEMBER	YEAR 3 CHURCH VISIT- CHRISTMAS	1-3	YEAR 3 CLASS
MONDAY 8 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 1 SUPPER WITH SANTA	3.30-4.30PM	KEY STAGE 1
TUESDAY 9 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 2 CAROL CONCERT FOR PARENTS	9.15AM	KEY STAGE 2 PARENTS- TICKETS TO FOLLOW
WEDNESDAY 10 TH DECEMBER	EYFS CHRISTMAS SHOW FOR PARENTS	9.15AM	EYFS PARENTS- TICKETS TO FOLLOW
WEDNESDAY 10 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 2 CAROL CONCERT FOR PARENTS	2.15PM	KEY STAGE 2 PARENTS – TICKETS TO FOLLOW
THURSDAY 11 TH DECEMBER	EYFS CHRISTMAS SHOW FOR PARENTS	9.15AM	EYFS PARENTS- TICKETS TO FOLLOW

THURSDAY 11 TH DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY	ALL DAY	ALL WELCOME TO WEAR A CHRISTMAS JUMPER AND/OR ACCESSORIES
THURSDAY 11 TH DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY	11-1PM	WHOLE SCHOOL
FRIDAY 12 TH DECEMBER	'DAZZLING DARREN 'MAGIC SHOW	9-12	ALL CLASSES
MONDAY 15 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 1 CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA FOR PARENTS	9.15AM	KEY STAGE 1 PARENTS WELCOME
MONDAY 15 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 1 CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA FOR PARENTS	2.30PM	KEY STAGE 1 PARENTS WELCOME
MONDAY 15 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 2 MOVIE AFTERNOON	1-3	KEY STAGE 2 CLASSES
TUESDAY 16 TH DECEMBER	EYFS PARTY DAY- PARTY CLOTHES!	1-3	EYFS
WEDNESDAY 17 TH DECEMBER	HAMPER DRAW	11AM	SCHOOL COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY 17 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 1 PARTY DAY- PARTY CLOTHES!	1-3	KEY STAGE 1
THURSDAY 18 TH DECEMBER	NON UNIFORM DAY- CHRISTMAS THEME £1 DONATION	ALL DAY	WHOLE SCHOOL
THURSDAY 18 TH DECEMBER	SCHOOL CLOSES	2PM	WHOLE SCHOOL

Kind regards, Mrs Warburton