

NORTH WALKDEN PRIMARY – Aiming High, Striving for Excellence

Newsletter – 1st May 2026

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
Asiya Ruby	Milavu Selina	Darius Frankie	Kurtis Laurel	Rosie Isla	Muqaddim Eli	George Eva	Grace Otis

Second Week of the Summer Term

It has been another busy and productive week in school, and it has been wonderful to see how hard all of the children are working as we move further into the summer term. We have also been lucky to enjoy some beautiful sunshine this week—long may it continue! Fingers crossed for more lovely weather over the bank holiday weekend.

As you know, we welcomed our Ofsted inspectors into school this week. We would like to thank all of our families for your continued support throughout the process. We will share the outcome with parents as soon as we receive the final report, which is expected in 30 working days.

Year 2 had a fantastic time during their recent family workshop. It was truly special to see so many parents and carers in school, working alongside the children and sharing in their learning. Opportunities like these are incredibly valuable, and we always appreciate your involvement and support.

Looking ahead to next week, we are excited to be hosting our Nursery *Stay and Play* session on Thursday. We would love to welcome our Nursery families into school to spend some quality time together in this relaxed and enjoyable setting.

Don’t forget it is Bank Holiday Monday next week so we will see you next Tuesday!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Punctuality Matters

Arriving at school on time is a very important part of a child’s daily routine. A calm and positive start helps children feel settled, ready to learn, and confident as they begin their lessons.

When children arrive late, even by a few minutes, they miss important parts of the morning routine. This might include key instructions, early learning activities, or time to connect with their teacher and classmates. Starting the day this way can leave children feeling rushed, unsettled, or anxious, which can impact their focus and learning throughout the rest of the day.



Last week, we had **65 children arrive late to school**. These children missed 15 minutes or more of learning time, this equates to **975 minutes of lost learning**—that’s over **16 hours of education missed in just one week**. This time cannot be replaced and quickly adds up over the term.

Being late can also disrupt the learning of others, as teachers may need to pause teaching to welcome and settle late arrivals.

We kindly ask all families to support us by ensuring children arrive at school on time each day. Establishing a consistent morning routine at home can make a big difference and helps children begin their day feeling calm, confident, and ready to succeed.

Thank you for your support in helping every child make the most of their learning time.

Summer Fair

We are excited to try something different this year and our Summer Fair will take place on a Friday 19th June after school. This is the first time, and we hope it will allow more families to attend and enjoy the event together. To make the fair a success, we would greatly appreciate donations of new toys, teddies, or other suitable items for prizes. **We are also seeking support from local businesses for raffle donations—if you know of any who may be willing to contribute, please do get in touch. As always, your support is invaluable and very much appreciated.**



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

WELL DONE TO RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 4 WHO ACHIEVED THEIR CLASS ATTENDANCE TARGET

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	92	98	97	91	95	96	90	94	94
Late arrivals	10	6	9	6	6	9	12	7	65

School communication: Please ensure you are logged into your Arbor app so that you receive all the important messages we send out. If you need to download the app again, its 'Arbor' 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 29 TH APRIL	YEAR 2 FAMILY TIME WORKSHOP	9-10	YEAR 2 PARENTS WELCOME
MONDAY 4 TH MAY	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR BANK HOLIDAY	SCHOOL CLOSED	SCHOOL CLOSED
THURSDAY 7 TH MAY	NURSERY STAY AND PLAY	9AM /1PM ON A BOOKING SYSTEM	NURSERY PARENTS WELCOME
WEEK BEGINNING 11 TH MAY	KEY STAGE 2 SATS WEEK	ALL WEEK	YEAR 6
TUESDAY 12 TH MAY	PHONIC SCREENING CHECK – MEETING FOR PARENTS	3.30PM	YEAR 1 PARENTS
FRIDAY 15 TH MAY	ALTRU DRAMA WORKSHOPS IN SCHOOL YEAR 4- MAYANS YEAR 2- CASTLES	AM-Y4 PM Y2	YEAR 4 AND 2
FRIDAY 15 TH MAY	YEAR 3 TRIP TO 'BRING YER WELLIES' Please ensure you have given consent on Arbor and paid your contribution on Evolve.	9-3PM	YEAR 3
THURSDAY 21 ST MAY	YEAR 1 CHURCH VISIT	1-3	YEAR 1
THURSDAY 21 ST MAY	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM	3.15PM	WHOLE SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY 3 RD JUNE	SCHOOL RE-OPENS	8.45AM	WHOLE SCHOOL
FRIDAY 5 TH JUNE	COLOURED ITEM DONATION FOR SUMMER FAIR STALL IN EXCHANGE FOR EXTRA PLAY	ALL DAY	EACH CLASS TO BRING A DIFFERENT COLOURED LUXURY ITEM- TBC
WEDNESDAY 10 TH JUNE	YEAR 1 FAMILY TIME WORKSHOP	9-10	YEAR 1 PARENTS WELCOME
FRIDAY 12 TH JUNE	YEAR 6 TIME ODYSSEY TRIP - Please ensure you have given consent on Arbor and paid your contribution on Evolve.	9-3	YEAR 6
FRIDAY 12 TH JUNE	BOTTLE DONATION FOR SUMMER FAIR IN EXCHANGE FOR EXTRA PLAY	ALL DAY	WHOLE SCHOOL
WEEK BEGINNING 15 TH JUNE	YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY	ALL WEEK VARIOUS TIMES AND GROUPS	YEAR 6

MONDAY 15 TH JUNE	YEAR 5 WATERSPORTS DAY AT SALFORD QUAYS - Please ensure you have given consent on Arbor and paid your contribution on Evolve.	9-3	YEAR 5
TUESDAY 16 TH JUNE	YEAR 5 WATERSPORTS DAY AT SALFORD QUAYS	9-3	YEAR 5
WEDNESDAY 17 TH JUNE	RECEPTION CLASS ASSEMBLY	9AM	RECEPTION PARENTS WELCOME
THURSDAY 18 TH JUNE	CHOCOLATE DONATION FOR SUMMER FAIR IN EXCHANGE FOR EXTRA PLAY	ALL DAY	WHOLE SCHOOL
THURSDAY 18 TH JUNE	YEAR 2 CHURCH VISIT	1-3	YEAR 2
FRIDAY 19 TH JUNE	SUMMER FAIR AT SCHOOL	3.30-5.30PM	EVERYBODY WELCOME – PLEASE COME ALONG AND SUPPORT !!
TUESDAY 23 RD JUNE	YEAR 5 WATERSPORTS AT SALFORD QUAYS	9-3	YEAR 5
TUESDAY 23 RD JUNE	YEAR 4 TRIP TO LLANDUDNO - Please ensure you have given consent on Arbor and paid your contribution on Evolve.	8-5PM	YEAR 4
WEDNESDAY 24 TH JUNE	NEW NURSERY AND RECEPTION PARENTS MEETING AND VISITING THE CLASSROOM	5PM	NEW PARENTS
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY 25 TH AND 26 TH JUNE	YEAR 6 HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION DAYS FOR MOST SCHOOL- PARENTS WILL BE ADVISED	ALL DAY	YEAR 6 CHILDREN DEPENDANT ON HIGH SCHOOL
WEEB BEGINNING 29 TH JUNE	NORTH WALKDEN'S 100 TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION WEEK OF FUN	ALL WEEK	ALL CLASSES
MONDAY 29 TH JUNE	NEW TO NURSERY PHONECALLS	1PM	RK
MONDAY 29 TH JUNE	FRONT ROW CONCERT FOR PARENTS WHOSE CHILDREN HAVE LUNCH TIME MUSIC LESSONS	2.45PM	PARENTS INVITED
TUESDAY 30 TH JUNE	NEW TO NURSERY PHONECALLS	1PM	RK
THURSDAY 2 ND JULY	YEAR 6 VISIT TO CHURCH	1-3PM	YEAR 6
THURSDAY 2 ND JULY	NEW TO RECEPTION PHONECALLS	1PM	CLB
FRIDAY 3 RD JULY	100 YEAR BIRTHDAY TEA PARTY	1-3PM	CHILDREN STAFF AND GOVERNORS
MONDAY 6 TH JULY	ONLINE SAFETY SESSION FOR YEAR 5 AND 6 – Parents are invited to the assembly and for an additional session afterwards to explore trends, usage and safety controls	9AM	YEAR 5 AND 6 Parents welcome
TUESDAY 7 TH JULY	NEW NURSERY CHILDREN X13 TO VISIT SCHOOL	9.15- 10.15AM	NEW NURSERY
WEDNESDAY 8 TH JULY	NEW TO RECEPTION CHILDREN VISIT SCHOOL	9.15- 10.15AM	NEW TO RECEPTION
THURSDAY 9 TH JULY	NEW NURSERY CHILDREN X13 TO VISIT SCHOOL	9.15AM- 10.15AM	NEW NURSERY
THURSDAY 9 TH JULY	YEAR 3 TRIP TO CHESTER AND THE ROMAN MUSEUM - trip letter has been emailed to parents. Consent must be given on Arbor under 'Activities'	9-3PM	YEAR 3

THURSDAY 9 TH JULY	EYFS TEDDY BEARS PICNIC	TBC	EYFS CHILDREN
FRIDAY 10 TH JULY	ANNUAL REPORTS ISSUED TO PARENTS	3.15PM	WHOLE SCHOOL
TUESDAY 14 TH JULY	YEAR 2 TRIP TO MANCHESTER AIRPORT AVIAITON PARK – TRIP LETTER WILL BE EMAILED SOON	9-3PM	YEAR 2
TUESDAY 14 TH JULY	YEAR 6 LEAVERS SHOW FOR PARENTS	9.15AM	YEAR 6
WEDNESDAY 15 TH JULY	KEY STAGE 1 SPORTS MORNING	9.15AM	KEY STAGE 1 PARENTS WELCOME
WEDNESDAY 15 TH JULY	NEW TO RECEPTION CHILDREN VISIT 2	9.15-10.15AM	NEW TO RECEPTION CHILDREN
WEDNESDAY 15 TH JULY	YEAR 6 LEAVERS SHOW FOR PARENTS	2.15PM	YEAR 6
THURSDAY 16 TH JULY	EYFS SPORTS MORNING	9.15AM	EYFS PARENTS WELCOME
FRIDAY 17 TH JULY	KEY STAGE 2 SPORTS MORNING	9.15AM	KS2 PARENTS WELCOME
MONDAY 20 TH JULY	MOVE UP MORNING FOR ALL CHILDREN	9-10.30AM	WHOLE SCHOOL
MONDAY 20 TH JULY	KEY STAGE 2 TALENT SHOW	1-3	KEY STAGE 2 CHILDREN WELCOME TO AUDITION
TUESDAY 21 ST JULY	BUMP AND BOUNCE FUN DAY FOR EYFS AND KS1	ALL DAY	EYFS AND KS1
TUESDAY 21 ST JULY	KEY STAGE 2 WATERPLAY AND GAMES AFTERNOON	1-3	KEY STAGE 2
WEDNESDAY 22 ND JULY	YEAR 6 LEAVERS ASSEMBLY	9AM	YEAR 6 PARENTS WELCOME
WEDNESDAY 22 ND JULY	NON UNIFORM DAY FOR £1 DONATION	ALL DAY	WHOLE SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY 22 ND JULY	YEAR 6 END OF SCHOOL CELEBRATION	10-3- VENUE TO BE CONFIRMED	YEAR 6
WEDNESDAY 22 ND JULY	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR SUMMER	2PM	WHOLE SCHOOL

Kind regards, Mrs Warburton