

NORTH WALKDEN PRIMARY – Aiming High, Striving for Excellence

Newsletter – 15th May 2026

This week has been another busy and successful one at school. A huge well done to all of our Year 6 pupils who have now completed their SATs tests. They have worked incredibly hard throughout the year and approached the week with determination, resilience and positivity. We are very proud of the effort they have shown and hope they enjoy a well-deserved rest this weekend.



Our younger children will soon be taking part in the Phonics Screening Check. Thank you to all of the parents who were able to attend our recent parents' meeting about this. For parents looking to help at home, the best support you can offer is to read regularly with your child and practise the sounds they are learning in school. We use Read Write Inc. for phonics teaching, and encouraging your child to revisit their sounds and read little and often will make a big difference to their confidence. You will find many helpful videos

here <https://www.ruthmiskin.com/parentsandcarers/>

Year 2 and Year 4 also enjoyed exciting drama workshops this week delivered by Altru Drama. These engaging sessions brought curriculum learning to life through interactive storytelling, role-play and performance. Year 2 explored their history topic on castles, learning about castle life, important features and the roles of people who lived and worked in them. Year 4 took part in a workshop linked to their learning about the Maya civilization, where they explored Mayan culture, traditions and daily life through drama. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and it was a fantastic way to deepen their understanding of these topics in a memorable and creative way. Why don't you ask them all about it!!

Today, Year 3 had a fantastic time at Bring Yer Wellies. The children represented the school brilliantly and their behaviour was excellent throughout the day. They took part in a range of exciting outdoor activities, enjoying hands-on learning and making the most of the experience. It was lovely to hear how enthusiastic they were and how well they engaged with everything on offer.

Next week is the last week of the term, and school will close for half term on **Thursday 21st May at 3.15pm.**

We would like to wish all of our children and families a wonderful and restful half term break. School reopens for the final half term on **Wednesday 3rd June at 8:45am.**

Focus Tools (Fidget Toys): We have noticed that some children are bringing focus tools from home to use during the school day. While we understand that some children find these helpful, we kindly ask that pupils do not bring their own into school.

If a child requires a focus tool to support their learning, this will be provided by school to ensure it is appropriate for educational use, used consistently and complies to British safety standards

This helps us maintain a focused learning environment and avoids distractions or disagreements between pupils. Thank you for your understanding and support.

If you would like to discuss your child's specific needs, please do not hesitate to contact us.



Online Safety: [Omoggle](#) is a newer, highly concerning website that has emerged as of May 2026, described as a "looksmaxxing" platform where teenagers engage in live video chats with strangers and are **rated on their appearance by AI**. It is designed for teenagers but carries significant risks related to body image, mental health, and predatory behaviour.

It is important to distinguish this from the original [Omegle](#) (which shut down in 2023), although both connect strangers via video.

Key Concerns for Parents (As of May 2026)

- **AI-Driven Judging:** The site uses AI to create leader boards and scores based on a user's face, encouraging a "looksmaxxing" (trying to change facial features to be more attractive) trend.
- **Mental Health Impact:** It fosters body dysmorphia, humiliation culture, and a "dependency on the validation of strangers," which can lead to insecurity and depression.
- **Lack of Safety Features:** There are no meaningful protections, and it is easy for adults to enter the same video chats with children.
- **Privacy Risks:** Users' faces and data are scanned and processed by AI without knowing how that information is stored or used.
- **Popularity Among Youth:** It spreads quickly through TikTok and gaming culture, often being used by school-aged children.

What Parents Can Do

- **Talk about it:** Ask your children if they have heard of "Omoggle" or "looksmaxxing" sites.
- **Monitor Device Use:** Check phone and web browser history for access to this site.
- **Discuss Self-Worth:** Focus on building confidence that is not based on external validation, scores, or appearance

Please take a look at the parent guide below which has also been shared on our Facebook page this week.

Summer Fair

As we begin preparations for our upcoming Summer Fair, we are asking for your support to help make the event a fantastic success for our children and families.

We would be extremely grateful for any donations of items such as:

- Teddies and soft toys
- Good quality toys and games
- Books
- Unwanted gifts
- Bottles or chocolates for prizes
- Any other suitable items for stalls and activities

All donations, big or small, are greatly appreciated and will help us create a fun and memorable event for everyone.

We are also looking for raffle prizes and would love your help in connecting with local businesses who may be willing to support the school through prize donations or sponsorship. If you own a business, work for a company, or know of any local organisations that may be able to help, please get in touch with the school office.

Thank you, as always, for your continued generosity and support. It truly makes a difference to the opportunities we can provide for our children.





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

WELL DONE TO RECEPTION AND YEAR 1 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	85	98 SILVER	97 SILVER	89	90	95	84	93	92
Late arrivals	5	6	6	8	7	7	7	11	57

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.

OMOGGLE

THE DANGERS

PARENTS NEED TO KNOW

A live video platform that matches strangers on camera. AI scans faces and scores attractiveness using the "PSL Scale". Users are ranked on leaderboards based on who "mogged" (outperformed) the other.



**BE AWARE.
BE INFORMED.
KEEP KIDS
SAFE.**



**EVEN IF YOUR CHILD ISN'T USING OMOGGLE,
THEY MAY STILL BE SEEING THIS CONTENT ONLINE.**



TIKTOK



TWITCH



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GROUP CHATS

WHY IT MATTERS

1



**EXPOSURE TO
EXPLICIT AND
PREDATORY
BEHAVIOUR**

2



**AI TEACHES THAT
APPEARANCE
DETERMINES
WORTH**

3



**FUELS BODY
DYSMORPHIA
AND OBSESSIVE
SELF-COMPARISON**

4



**FACIAL SCANNING
AND BIOMETRIC
PRIVACY
CONCERNS**

5



**PUBLIC HUMILIATION
CAN SPREAD
IN SECONDS**



Omoggle isn't just a game.

It puts your child's safety, self-worth and future at risk.

KEY TERMS

PARENTS SHOULD KNOW

PSL



AI rating system that scores how attractive someone is

LOOKSMAXXING



The act of trying to maximise your physical appearance

MOGGING



Appearing more attractive and superior to someone else

MOGGER



Someone who 'mogs' others. Used as term of superiority.

**TALK ABOUT IT.
KEEP THEM SAFE.**

- ✓ Stay curious
- ✓ Start conversations
- ✓ Set boundaries
- ✓ Stay informed
- ✓ Support their self-worth



KNOW. TALK. PROTECT.

The digital world is always changing.
Your awareness makes all the difference.

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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