

NORTH WALKDEN PRIMARY – Aiming High, Striving for Excellence

Newsletter – 19th June 2026

Last week's newsletter has been a little delayed as we were all busy having lots of fun at our School Fair last Friday!

It was wonderful to see so many families and friends come together to support the event. This was the first time we have held the fair on a Friday after school, and we think it worked really well. The atmosphere was fantastic, and it was lovely to see everyone enjoying the stalls, games, refreshments and activities. We would really appreciate any feedback you may have about the new format so that we can continue to make future events even better.

Thanks to your incredible generosity and support, we are delighted to share that we raised an amazing **£2,000** for the school. This is a fantastic achievement and simply would not have been possible without our fabulous families, dedicated volunteers and supportive school community.

Our raffle winners were announced on Facebook yesterday and have also been shared by email with all families. If you can see that you have been one of our lucky winners, please collect your prize as soon as possible.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended, donated, helped organise the event or volunteered their time. Your support makes a real difference to our school and the opportunities we can provide for our children.

Other Events Last Week

We were delighted to welcome so many families to our Reception Class Assembly. It was very well attended, and we hope you all enjoyed seeing the children perform so confidently and enthusiastically.

Year 5 enjoyed their first two water sports sessions last week and will be taking part in their final session today. We will be sharing photographs and updates on Facebook, so keep an eye out for those.

Coming Up

Year 4 are looking forward to their visit to Llandudno this week and we hope they have a fantastic time.

Our meeting for new Nursery and Reception parents takes place on Wednesday, and we are looking forward to meeting and welcoming our new families to the school community.

We have also added a new event to the calendar – **World Cup Day**. Please look at the diary dates below for further information.

Information about our **100th Year Celebrations** has also been included again this week. We can't wait to see the children dressed up and taking part in all the exciting activities, we have planned to mark this special occasion.

Ofsted

We are pleased to let you know that our Ofsted inspection report is now available on the school website.

There are many positive aspects of the report for our school community to celebrate, and we are delighted that the issues identified during the previous inspection have been swiftly and successfully addressed.

As with any inspection, the report also identifies some next steps for further development. We will continue to work hard to build on our strengths and work on the identified next steps

We would like to thank our staff, pupils, parents and governors for their continued support and contribution to the school's success. Working together, we will continue to ensure that our school remains a place where children can thrive and achieve their full potential.

Punctuality Matters

Last week, 74 children arrived late to school, which represents 32% of our pupils. While we understand that occasional delays can happen, arriving late can have a significant impact on a child's education and wellbeing.

The start of the school day is an important time when children settle into their learning, receive key information and take part in activities that help prepare them for the day ahead. Children who arrive late can miss valuable learning opportunities; feel unsettled as they enter a classroom that has already started work, and may find it harder to catch up with their peers.

To help improve punctuality, we encourage families to establish a consistent morning routine. Simple steps such as preparing school bags and uniforms the night before, setting alarms a little earlier, and allowing extra time for travel can make a big difference. We also recommend aiming to arrive at school 5–10 minutes before the gates close to help ensure a calm and positive start to the day.

Thank you for your support in helping all children arrive on time, ready to learn and make the most of every school day.



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

WELL DONE TO YEAR 2 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 |
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| Class attendance award | 85% | 94% | 94% | 97% silver | 92% | 94% | 91% | 94% | 93 |
| Late arrivals | 5 | 5 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 74! |

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 |
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| 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 |
| WEEK BEGINNING 29 TH JUNE | NORTH WALKDEN'S 100 TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION WEEK OF FUN | ALL WEEK | ALL CLASSES |
| MONDAY 29 TH JUNE | YEAR 5 TRIP TO THE DEANS YOUTH CENTRE – letter emailed to parents 23.06.26 – CONSENT REQUIRED ON ARBOR | 12.30 - 3.10 | YEAR 5 |
| 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 | WORLD CUP DAY – CHILDREN INVITED TO WEAR THEIR FOOTBALL KITS/COLOURS OR SPORTS WEAR ON THIS DAY | | WHOLE SCHOOL |
| 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 | DRESS UP DAY - 100 YEAR BIRTHDAY TEA PARTY – email sent 22.06.26 Nursery – 2020s (Today) Wear your favourite modern outfit! Sportswear, hoodies, trainers, football kits, colourful leggings, or clothes inspired by current trends are all perfect. Reception – 2010s Bright colours, superhero t-shirts, denim, colourful trainers, sportswear, or outfits inspired by popular children's fashion from the 2010s. Year 1 – 2000s Cargo trousers, denim jackets, tracksuits, colourful | 1-3PM | CHILDREN STAFF AND GOVERNORS |

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| | <p>accessories, sportswear, or pop-inspired fashion from the early 2000s.</p> <p>Year 2 – 1980s Think bright neon colours, colourful sweatshirts, shell suits, patterned leggings, headbands, or funky hairstyles.</p> <p>Year 3 – 1970s Flared trousers, flower patterns, tie-dye tops, waistcoats, headbands, colourful shirts, or peace-sign accessories.</p> <p>Year 4 – 1960s Smart shirts, cardigans, polo necks, colourful patterned clothing, shift-style outfits</p> <p>Year 5 – 1950s Polka dots, cardigans, rolled-up jeans, checked shirts, braces, neck scarves, or smart 1950s-inspired clothing.</p> <p>Year 6 – 1920s (<i>the decade when North Walkden Primary School first opened!</i>) Smart shirts and ties, waistcoats, flat caps, braces, simple smart dresses, cardigans, pearls.</p> | | |
| 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 |
| THURSDAY 16 TH JULY | YEAR 6 TRIP TO THE DEANS YOUTH CENTRE – letter emailed to parents 23.06.26 – CONSENT REQUIRED ON ARBOR | 12.30 - 3.10 | YEAR 6 |
| FRIDAY 17 TH JULY | KEY STAGE 2 SPORTS MORNING | 9.15AM | KS2 PARENTS WELCOME |
| FRIDAY 17 TH JULY | SPECIAL SCHOOL MEAL EVENT – SUMMER BBQ All children can order a school meal if they wish to | LUNCH | WHOLE SCHOOL |

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| 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 CLOSSES FOR SUMMER | 2PM | WHOLE SCHOOL |

Kind regards, Mrs Warburton