

NORTH WALKDEN PRIMARY – Aiming High, Striving for Excellence

Newsletter – 26th June 2026

What a week!

What a week we have had! The hot weather has certainly brought its challenges, but we are incredibly proud of how well everyone has adapted and how safely we have managed the conditions across school.

We have put a number of measures in place to support the children, including regular drinks breaks, minimising time spent in direct sunlight, making full use of our outdoor shaded areas, and providing shorter, more frequent opportunities for rest and play. Staff have also been carefully monitoring how the children are feeling throughout the day and adapting routines where needed.

These approaches have worked extremely well, allowing school to continue safely while ensuring that learning and experiences have been impacted as little as possible. A huge thank you to all our staff for their hard work, care and commitment in making this challenging weather manageable for everyone.

This week

Our Year 5 children enjoyed their final water sports session this week. I am sure we will be sharing some photographs with you on Facebook soon. Well done to all the children for their excellent behaviour, enthusiasm and willingness to throw themselves into the activities. Water sports can be challenging, and the children showed great resilience, teamwork and determination throughout.

Year 4 had a fantastic trip to Llandudno, where they enjoyed a range of exciting experiences. The children explored the seaside, learning about the history and importance of the coastal area, visited the Copper Mines where they discovered what life was like for the miners and how copper was extracted, and travelled up to the Great Orme to take in the incredible views and learn more about this fascinating landmark. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to bring their learning to life outside of the classroom.

Our Year 6 children have also started preparing for the next stage of their educational journey, completing transition days at their various secondary schools. These visits are an important part of helping children feel familiar and confident about moving on to high school. They have the opportunity to meet new teachers, experience the routines of secondary school life, explore their new surroundings and begin building relationships before September. We are incredibly proud of how maturely they have approached this next step.

Next week

For those parents whose children attend lunchtime music lessons, we look forward to welcoming you on Monday at 2.45pm for a fabulous performance. The children will be performing alongside their tutors from Front Row Music, and we know they will do themselves and their families proud.

Year 5 are heading off to The Deans Youth Centre on Monday to experience the high ropes. It promises to be a fantastic adventure, giving the children the chance to challenge themselves, develop confidence, work as a team and have lots of fun! Don't forget to provide your consent on Arbor so that they don't miss out!!

On Thursday, we will be celebrating **World Cup Day**. All children are welcome to come into school wearing their favourite football team kit or colours. We can't wait to see the variety of teams represented across school!

To finish the week, we are incredibly excited to be hosting our **100th Year Tea Party**. We look forward to seeing everyone dressed up and ready to celebrate this special occasion together. Full details have already been emailed, including information about what to wear, which can also be found below.

Online Safety

This week’s online safety reminder focuses on WhatsApp and the importance of ensuring children are using apps that are appropriate for their age.

WhatsApp is a popular messaging app, but it is important to remember that it has an age restriction of **13+ in the UK**. Although some children may ask to use messaging apps earlier, parents and carers should carefully consider whether the app is suitable and ensure that children are supervised when accessing online platforms.

Messaging apps can provide positive ways to communicate, but they also come with risks, including receiving messages from unknown people, group chats that children may find difficult to manage, exposure to inappropriate content, and pressure from peers.

We encourage all families to regularly talk to children about online safety, check privacy settings, know who they are communicating with, and ensure that any apps being used are appropriate for their age. Supporting children to develop safe online habits from an early age helps them become confident and responsible digital citizens.

Have a lovely weekend.



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

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	89	91	94	95	91	93	90	90	92
Late arrivals	5	4	11	7	6	11	2	10	56!

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.

	<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
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