

NORTH WALKDEN PRIMARY – Aiming High, Striving for Excellence

Newsletter – 18th September 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
Gunnar Luscious	Yousef Faheezah	Harriet Hudson	Mya-Mai Susie	Riley Sapphiah	Scarlett Noah	Ella-Rose Harry	Ivy Abraham

It was another busy and exciting week at school, with lots of opportunities for our children and parents to come together. We would like to thank all of our families for their continued support and for attending our events throughout the week.

Meet the Teacher sessions: We have now completed all of our meetings, which unfortunately did not attract the numbers we had hoped for. These meetings are not just about meeting your child's teacher but to provide information about their year ahead, what they will be learning, expectations and how you can support at home. The presentations have been shared with parents but if you have any questions please get in touch.

📷 Individual and Sibling Photographs – Wednesday 16th September

Wednesday was photograph day! Our **individual and sibling photographs** took place from 8.30am onwards. The children looked fantastic and enjoyed having their photographs taken. Watch out for further information on how to order.

📖 Phonics and Reading Meeting – Thursday 17th September

On Thursday, we welcomed our **Year 1 parents** to our Phonics and Reading Meeting. The session provided parents with valuable information about how phonics and reading are taught in school, as well as ways they can support their children at home.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our events this week. Your involvement and support make such a positive difference to our children, and we look forward to continuing to work closely with you throughout the school year.

What's Happening Next Week

We have another exciting week ahead, with some fantastic opportunities for our children and families.

🌳 Tuesday 22nd September – Year 2 Forest School

Our **Year 2 children** will begin their Forest School sessions on Tuesday morning. These sessions will continue every Tuesday until **1st December 2026**.

Forest School is a wonderful opportunity for children to learn and explore outdoors, developing their confidence, independence and teamwork skills.

Please ensure that children come prepared for the weather. **Children should bring wellies and wear a waterproof coat.** A **hat and gloves** are also recommended if the weather is cold.

🚌 Wednesday 23rd September – Year 6 Residential Trip Meeting

We will be holding a **Residential Trip Meeting for Year 6 parents** on Wednesday from **3.15pm–3.45pm**.

This meeting will provide parents with important information about the upcoming residential trip, including arrangements, what children will need to bring and what to expect from the experience.

We look forward to welcoming our **Year 6 parents** to this important meeting.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We are looking forward to another fantastic week of learning and experiences for our children!



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	99 GOLD	96 BRONZE	94	99 GOLD	93	98 SILVER	95	96
Late arrivals	1	1	2	1	4	2	2	8	21

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.

WEDNESDAY 11 TH NOVEMBER	2 MINUTES SILENCE FOR REMEMBRANCE	11AM	YEARS 1-6
WEDNESDAY 11 TH NOVEMBER	YEAR 5 FAMILY TIME WORKSHOP	9-10AM	YEAR 5 PARENTS WELCOME
MONDAY 16 TH NOVEMBER	NASAL FLU INJECTIONS BY SCHOOL HEALTH (CONSENT REQUIRED)	9-12PM	FURTHER INFO TO FOLLOW
THURSDAY 19 TH NOVEMBER	YEAR 6 HEIGHTS & WEIGHTS	9.30AM	YEAR 6
FRIDAY 20 TH NOVEMBER	WHOLE SCHOOL PANTOMIME- SNOW WHITE(IN SCHOOL)	9-10AM	ALL CHILDREN
MONDAY 23 RD NOVEMBER	PARENTS EVENING FACE TO FACE.	3.30-5.00PM	N-Y6
WEDNESDAY 25 TH NOVEMBER	PARENTS EVENING – FACE TO FACE	3.30-6.00PM	N-Y6
FRIDAY 27 TH NOVEMBER	EXTRA PLAY IN EXCHANGE FOR A LUXURY ITEM FOR CHRISTMAS HAMPER	TIME TBC	ALL CHILDREN ASKED TO DONATE AN ITEM
MONDAY 30 TH NOVEMBER	CHRISTMAS HAMPER TICKETS GO ON SALE	UNTIL END OF TERM	ALL PARENTS INVITED TO PURCHASE TICKETS ON EVOLVE
THURSDAY 3 RD DECEMBER	YEAR 3 CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE AT CHURCH	1.30-2.30	YEAR 3 CHILDREN
FRIDAY 4 TH DECEMBER	COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS- CRAFT DAT AT SCHOOL	ALL DAY	ALL CLASSES
MONDAY 7 TH DECEMBER	SUPPER WITH SANTA	3.30-4.30PM	KEY STAGE 1
TUESDAY 8 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 2 CHRISTMAS SHOW FOR PARENTS	9.15AM	KEY STAGE 2 PARENTS WELCOME – TICKET SYSTEM TO FOLLOW
WEDNESDAY 9 TH DECEMBER	EYFS CHRISTMAS SHOW FOR PARENTS	9.15AM	EYFS PARENTS WELCOME – TICKET SYSTEM TO FOLLOW
WEDNESDAY 9 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 2 CHRISTMAS SHOW FOR PARENTS	2.15PM	KEY STAGE 2 PARENTS WELCOME – TICKET SYSTEM TO FOLLOW
THURSDAY 10 TH DECEMBER	EYFS CHRISTMAS SHOW FOR PARENTS	9.15AM	EYFS PARENTS WELCOME – TICKET SYSTEM TO FOLLOW
THURSDAY 10 TH DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS JUMPER/CHRISTMAS ACCESSORY DAY	ALL DAY	ALL CHILDREN WELCOME TO WEAR A JUMPER OR ACCESSORY

THURSDAY 10 TH DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY	11-1PM	ALL CHILDREN WELCOME TO HAVE A FESTIVE LUNCH
FRIDAY 11 TH DECEMBER	DAZZLING DARREN MAGIC SHOW- £2 DONATION	9-11AM	ALL CHILDREN WELCOME TO ENJOY THE SHOW.
WK BEGINNING 14 TH DECEMBER	NO PE IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK DUE TO HALL USAGE FOR SHOWS	ALL WEEK	NO PE FOR ALL CLASSES.
MONDAY 14 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 1 CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA FOR PARENTS	9.15AM AND 2.30PM 2 SHOWINGS	KEY STAGE 1 PARENTS WELCOME – TICKET SYSTEM TO FOLLOW
MONDAY 14 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 2 MOVIE AFTERNOON WITH TREATS	1-3PM	YEARS 3-6
TUESDAY 15 TH DECEMBER	EYFS PARTY AFTERNOON- CHILDREN MAY WEAR PARTY CLOTHES ALL DAY	1-3PM	EYFS CHILDREN
WEDNESDAY 16 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 2 TRIP TO THE PANTOMIME	9.30- 12.20PM	KEY STAGE 2 CHILDREN – INFO TO FOLLOW
WEDNESDAY 16 TH DECEMBER	KEY STAGE 1 PARTY AFTERNOON- CHILDREN MAY WEAR PARTY CLOTHES ALL DAY	1-3PM	KEY STAGE 1 CHILDREN
WEDNESDAY 16 TH DECEMBER	SCHOOL COUNCIL TO DRAW WINNERS FOR THE HAMPER	1PM	SCHOOL COUNCIL
FRIDAY 18 TH DECEMBER	NON UNIFORM - CHRISTMAS THEMED FOR £1 DONATION	ALL DAY	ALL CHILDREN WELCOME TO WEAR FESTIVE JUMPERS
FRIDAY 18 TH DECEMBER	SCHOOL CLOSING FOR THE CHRISTMAS BREAK	2PM FINISH	WHOLE SCHOOL CLOSING