

Northwood News

24/10/2025

Headteacher's Update

Dear Northwood Community Primary School Families,

As we approach our half-term break, I wanted to take a moment to share some highlights and important information from our school community.

This week has been vibrant and engaging, with several noteworthy activities taking place. Our whole school Design and Technology day was particularly exciting, with pupils creating a wonderful array of dishes that showcased their creativity and culinary skills. It was wonderful to see our young learners exploring and developing their practical abilities.

We've also been focusing on important themes of inclusivity and understanding. Our recent 'No Outsiders' book sessions have been a powerful way of celebrating difference and promoting empathy among our pupils. This approach is fundamental to creating a supportive and respectful school environment.


I'm particularly proud of our first EAL (English as an Additional Language) Forum, which was well-attended and demonstrates our commitment to supporting all our pupils. This initiative reflects our dedication to ensuring every child feels valued and supported in their learning journey.

Our Year 5 and 6 pupils have been enjoying swimming sessions over the past two weeks, which is always a fantastic opportunity for physical development and team building. Additionally, this afternoon, our Key Stage 2 pupils participated in an important assembly about staying safe during Halloween and Bonfire night - a timely reminder of personal safety.

We're also marking Black History week, an important time to celebrate and learn about the significant contributions and experiences of Black individuals throughout history.

For your planning, I wanted to confirm that booking dates for parents' evening have been sent out via Arbour. Please check your notifications to schedule your appointment.

Important Notice: School closes today for half-term and will re-open on Monday, 3rd November at 8:40am. I hope everyone has a restful and enjoyable break.


Ms Murphy
Head Teacher

Forthcoming Dates

School Closes for all pupils: Friday 24th October 2025

School reopens for all pupils: Monday 3rd November 2025



30 HOURS

FREE CHILDCARE

for 3 to 4 year olds

At Northwood Community Primary School, we are committed to providing the best possible start for your child's educational journey. We are delighted to announce that we now offer a 30-hour provision for eligible 3 and 4-year-old pupils, in addition to our existing high-quality early years education.

Highly-qualified Staff

Our 30-hour offer is led by a qualified teacher with vast experience in the early years setting, supported by two qualified teaching assistants with over 20 years of experience. This experienced team is dedicated to ensuring your child is school-ready and thriving in our nurturing environment.

Benefits

As part of our 30-hour offer, your child will also benefit from:

- Free school meals
- Free fruit and milk

I am interested - what do I need to do next?

If you believe you may be eligible for the 30-hour offer, I encourage you to check your eligibility and hand your code into our school reception before 31st March 2025. This will ensure your child can take advantage of this fantastic opportunity.



Do you want to visit our nursery?

If you would like to visit our setting before applying, please call in or telephone the school office. We look forward to hearing from you.

School Office 0151 4778630

Best Practice Teaching Award

In June 2022 we were successful in achieving the BPTAA which highlights the commitment of the school team.

In 2025/26 we will be again assessed as a school to recognise the commitment and hard work of Teaching Assistants and show how much they are valued by all in our school community.

The Best Practice with Teaching Assistants Award (BPTAA) provides a straightforward, practical resource to support whole school improvement through leading the management and support of teaching assistants.

Uniform Policy

Please be advised that from the first day following the October half term holiday, Northwood Community Primary School will begin to strictly enforce the uniform policy as outlined in the letter sent home with your child recently.

We kindly ask all parents and carers to ensure that pupils come to school in the correct uniform each day. If pupils arrive without the correct uniform or PE kit after this date, we will follow our established procedures, including contacting parents to provide the appropriate clothing or supplying items from our stock as necessary.

Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated as we uphold the high standards of our school community.

Black History Month

This October, we have been celebrating **Black History Month** with a range of fun and educational activities.

Children have enjoyed art, music, storytelling, and a food-tasting experience that highlight diversity, equality and cultural pride.

Why not look at some of the fun and exciting activities happening around Liverpool this half term?

There's plenty for families to enjoy and explore!



Masks based on the famous artist Kimmy Cantrell - class Bahamas

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