

Northwood News

17/01/2024

Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a brilliant start to the new term and this was verified on Tuesday and Wednesday this week when we were visited by Ofsted. The Inspector was really impressed by the attitude to learning and behaviour of our children across the school in lessons, moving around the school, on the playground and in the dining hall. She also commented on the wonderful relationships between the children and the children and staff.

The whole Inspection process this time was a very positive experience as it was just business as usual and confirmed what we already know and say about our school. Thank you to all who took the time to complete the questionnaires or speak to the Inspector, she told us some of the supportive and positive comments that you made!

May I take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of excellent attendance and punctuality. Lateness and non-attendance at school is a significant safeguarding risk for your child and means that they develop huge gaps in learning which prevent them from achieving their potential and means their chances in later life are much reduced.

Plans are being developed in school to find times during the school day to ensure children are caught up with work that is missed from being late or not attending. Please do your best to ensure your child is in school on time.

Have a lovely weekend!



Ms Murphy
Head Teacher

NEW TEXT NUMBER

We have a new number for text messages to and from school. Please use 07520 660490 from now on and update the details in your phone.



Careers Day

On Wednesday, 26th February 2025, we will be holding a careers day and we're looking for volunteers to inspire our pupils.

Do you have a job, career, or passion you'd love to share with young minds? Whether you're a builder, scientist, artist, nurse, entrepreneur, or anything in between, we'd love to hear from you.

If you're interested in joining us, or would like more information, please email Northwood.primary@knowsley.gov.uk

We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for helping us inspire the next generation!

SEND Surgery

Every Monday afternoon in school we are holding a SEND surgery.

If you have any SEND worries or concerns about your child, you can book an appointment to meet with Miss Dickinson.

To book an appointment please call the school office on 0151 477 8630.

Inclusion Quality Mark Success

We are proud to announce that in November we were once again successful in being reaccruited with Centre of Excellence for Inclusion. The report is on the school website and can be accessed at the link below:

<https://www.northwoodcommunityprimaryschool.co.uk/inclusion-1/>

Accessing SEND Support and Advice in School

If you have concerns about your child's learning needs, please raise them with your child's class teacher in the first instance. If these concerns persist then please contact one of our SENCOs as below:

If your child is in EYFS and you have concerns then please contact Mrs O'Keeffe, who is our EYFS SENCO, and she will be happy to meet with you. Contact the office for more details.

If your child is in mainstream Y1-6 and you have concerns then please contact Miss Dickinson, who is our mainstream SENCO, and she will be happy to meet with you. Contact the office for more details.

If your child is in DSP and you have concerns then please contact Mrs Smith, who is our DSP SENCO, and she will be happy to meet with you. Contact the office for more details.

All SEND and Inclusion provision is overseen by Mrs Hyland, Deputy Headteacher. If you want to escalate a concern then please contact the office to arrange a meeting and she will be happy to help.

Biscuits for Bahia

On Friday 22nd November we sold biscuits in school and raised £200 which we will send off to the Children of Bahia charity. The £200 was just enough to fund the medical, educational activities for a group of street children and counsellors to talk to them and advise them.

Thank you for your help and generosity. We will be sending the money off to the charity, 'Children of Bahia,' so that it makes a difference for them before Christmas.

We also held an assembly in school where Kirsten Leeuwangh who works for SHARe Knowsley came in to delivery assemblies to KS1 and KS2 on refugee and asylum seekers in Knowsley.

Thank you for your continued support.

'School of Sanctuary' Project

Ms Taylor is leading a new school project called, 'School of Sanctuary.' This is all about welcoming and supporting all members of our community and understanding the experiences that families who come to our country seeking refuge undergo.

More details can be found at this website:

<https://schools.cityofsanctuary.org>

School Nurse Drop in

The next school Nurse drop-in session will be on Tuesday 21st January 2025 at 9:00 to 10:00 am.

The Nurse will be based in the small interview room in the school office.

Contact Details

Northwood Community Primary School, Roughwood Drive, Northwood, Kirkby, L33 8XD Telephone: 0151 477 8630

Email: northwood.primary@knowsley.gov.uk

Child's Absence Text Line: 07860097222 Website: www.ncps.co.uk