

July 20th 2018

Headteacher's News

It's the end of another busy and amazing year at Northgate. We have enjoyed so many wonderful events and activities and the children have achieved so much. Children shared some of their favourite moments with me this week and their highlights included dressing up for World Book Day, all the experiments in Science Week and doing Bounce in Get Active Week.

Goodbye to Year 6 Children and Parents

We are saying goodbye to our Year 6 children who are moving on to their secondary schools. We will miss them, having been very proud of them this year, for their hard work and attitude across school life. It was lovely to share the Year 6 Leavers Assembly with so many family members and to those families who are leaving us, thank you for your support over your time at Northgate.

Farewell to staff

Farewell to Mr Glozier, Miss Allen, Miss Freeman, Mrs Crocker, Mrs Godfrey and Mrs Greet. We thank them for their hard work and what they have all brought to our school. We wish them good luck in their new schools. They will all be greatly missed by staff and pupils.

Thank You Governors

We are grateful to all the Governors for their support, commitment and work behind the scenes. Governors can be found in classrooms, attending numerous meetings, and generally supporting the school in so many important ways to ensure the best provision for all our children. Please see the Governors Newsletter which is a separate email attachment for some of the highlights of the year.

Thank You PTA

The PTA also make a huge difference in school and help us to fund so many different activities and events that contribute to a rich and stimulating curriculum.

I would like to thank the whole school community; children, staff, parents, governors and friends of the school, for your support again this year.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer, and look forward to see you again on the 5th of September.

Northgate's got Talent

Well, Northgate most certainly has got talent! A star studded afternoon was arranged by the Northgate School Council. They worked extremely hard to make the event the success it was. There was a mixture of singing, dancing, gymnastics, magic tricks and would you believe it, a blind-folded drummer!

The winners were:

Reception: The Quirky Choir (Brandon, Albie, Millie, Holly, Archie, Theo, Oscar and Lottie)

KS1: Tristan singing in Spanish

Lower KS2: The Blue Tigers (Zoe, Isabella, Imogen W and Jessie)

Upper KS2: Army's Echo (Molly, Olivia, Lily-Rose, Maddie, Amelia and Libby)

Important Dates

16th July	2.45pm Yr1 Work Sharing
17th July	Take Over Day
17th July	9.00am Volunteers Coffee Morning
17th July	2.45pm Reception Transition to Yr1 meeting
18th July	School Nurse to talk to new Reception parents
18th July	Pre-school Graduation Ceremony
19th July	9.15am Leavers' Assembly
19th July	Yr6 Work Sharing (following Leavers' Assembly)
20th July	Break up for Summer 2018 at 2pm
23rd July - 17th Aug	Multi-Active Summer Holiday Club
3rd & 4th Sep	INSET DAYS
5th Sep	Children Return to School
Mon 10th Sep	9.00am Yr 2 Mt the Teacher
	2.45pm Yr 3 Mt the Teacher
Tues 11th Sep	9.00am Yr 1 Mt the Teacher
	2.45pm Yr 5 Mt the Teacher
Wed 12th Sep	9.00am Yr 4 Mt the Teacher
	2.45pm Yr 6 Mt the Teacher
Mon 17th Sep	2.45pm Rec Mt the Teacher
Wed 19th Sep	11.15am Nursery Mt the Teacher
	2.45pm Nursery Mt the Teacher
	(parents can attend either session, regardless of children's session)
Half term	29th Oct - 2nd Nov 2019
Mon 5th Nov	INSET DAY
Tues 6th Nov	Children Return to School
Fri 21st Dec	Term Ends at 2.00pm
Mon 7th Jan 19	Children Return to School
Half Term	18th - 22nd Feb 19
Mon 25th Feb 19	INSET DAY
Tues 26th Feb 19	Children Return to School
Fri 5th Apr 19	Term Ends at 2.00pm
Tues 23rd Apr 19	Children Return to School
Half term	27th - 31st May 2019
Mon 3rd Jun 19	INSET DAY
Tues 4th Jun 19	Children Return to School
Tues 23rd July 19	End of Term at 2.00pm
Wed 24th July 19	Occasional Day

Safeguarding

There are a number of children at Northgate who, for safeguarding reasons, are not allowed their photo on social media. Therefore, it is school policy not to allow images to be taken and used in this way. Please be respectful of this policy, otherwise it will need to be reviewed. If you have any concerns about the school, please come in and discuss these with us, rather than us hearing about them on social media. Many thanks

House Cup

Well done to the Romans for winning the house cup this year.

Summer Reading Challenge 2018—14th July to 8th September

Bishop's Stortford library is running its reading challenge again this year, on the theme 'Animal Agents'. It is also running activities over the summer so don't forget to make a visit!

There are plenty of pranks and a ton of fun waiting for you-its' 'Mischievous Makers', the Summer Reading Challenge 2018!

Dennis, Gnasher and friends invite you to set off on a hunt for Beanotown's famous buried treasure! As you read your library books over the summer, collect special stickers and explore your map of Beanotown to find clues. But watch out—Dennis is usually up to all kinds of mischief. He'll make sure some of those stickers are extra stinky!

Next Year's Year 6

Next year's Year 6 have their own reading challenge and information about this was sent out yesterday, as an eSchools message. I attach this again for your convenience.

School Uniform

Please remember that skirts and trousers must be smart school wear. Smart black shoes should be worn, without flashing lights. Children are not allowed to wear trainers, fashion shoes or boots.

In years 3 and 4 children can wear a shirt and tie but this is optional. In years 5 and 6 all children must wear a white shirt or a white blouse, with a school tie.

Children are not allowed to wear jewellery in school or smart watches. Earrings are not allowed to be worn for safety reasons. If you would like to have your child's ears pierced, we therefore suggest this is done at the start of the holiday. If at anytime your child should not remove their earrings, please put it in writing to Mrs Tanner, otherwise staff will request that the children remove them. Hair accessories must be in school colours, yellow or bottle green. Extreme hair cuts or hair gel/cream are not allowed. Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back.

PE Kit

All children need to wear a white t-shirt with bottle green shorts and a bottle green tracksuit in the colder weather.

We appreciate your support in all these matters.

Celebration of Achievements

Maths

Miller Maths Improver Cup Yr5: Evan B

Miller Maths Improver Cup Yr4: Ariana

Miller Maths Improver Cup Yr3: Isla A

English

Most Improved Reader: Ava G

Social

Playtime Leader KS2—Yr5: Grace M

Playtime Leader KS1—Yr2: Annabel G

ICT

ICT Award—R: Jackson

ICT Award—Yr1: Zac

ICT Award—Yr2: Felix

ICT Award—Yr3: Kaysan

ICT Award—Yr4: Thomas

ICT Award—Yr5: Max B

Sports Cups

Most Improved Netballer: Nisi

Sportsperson of the Year: Harry B

Sportsmanship Award: Lizzie S

Performing Arts Trophies

Mrs Glasgow's Star Speaker: Molly-Sue

Music: Jakey

Drama: Aaron

Writing

Poetry: Giada

Creative Writing: Eliza

Science & Technology

Science: Thomas

ICT: Dylan B

Art

Art Trophy: Annie C

Maths

Maths Trophy: Pearl & Joshua H

Smiley

Maggie & Lily-Rose

Health & Safety Training

Pegasus are running a **FREE** CPR and AED training course on 2nd August at the Bishop's Stortford Methodist Church. For further information, please see the attached flyer.

East Herts Council are running various activities for children during the summer holidays. For further information, please see the attached flyers.