

June 15th 2018

Headteacher's News

I would like to say a massive thank you to our wonderful PTA for organising our School Fayre. It was greatly successful and they managed to raise over £4,000! This money makes a huge difference to the school. The School Council have requested outdoor drinking fountains and the Association are kindly funding this project. Thank you to everyone who came along and supported this event.

At the end of term we will sadly be saying goodbye to a number of staff. Mr Glozier is moving into London to teach there, as is Miss Allen. We wish them all the best in their new schools. Mrs Godfrey has decided to return to industry and Miss Freeman has decided to reduce her hours so will only work at Windhill. Mrs Crocker has taken a part-time job at TBSHS. There is an advert on the Teach in Herts website for Mrs Crocker's job if you know of anyone who would be interested in the position of Receptionist/Administrator. All the staff will be greatly missed.

We are lucky to be employing staff with a range of experiences and skills. In September we will be delighted to welcome, as class teachers, Miss Nolan, Miss Mash and Miss Ward, who are currently teaching in other schools in Hertfordshire and Derby. We are also delighted to welcome Mrs Newman as our music teacher for one day a week. We are currently sorting out the staffing and the classes and will let you have this information in the next few weeks.

Have a lovely weekend!

Yr 2 Minibeast Hunt

Year 2 enjoyed a minibeast hunt in the school grounds this week. We worked in small groups and explored different micro-habitats. We used magnifiers and identification charts to help us name different minibeasts. Thank you to the parents and grandparents who helped with the hunt.



Summer Fayre Feedback

We are pleased to pass on a message we have received from the PTA regarding the children's behaviour at the Summer Fayre. "I'd just like to say how lovely and polite all the children were at the Summer Fayre, ordering their Candy Floss, sweets and ice creams in lovely clear polite voices, with plenty of pleases and thank yous! (In spite of the sugar, they were consuming.)"

Important Dates

18th June	Class Photos
20th June	7pm Science Curriculum Evening
21st June	Yr3 Celtic Harmony
22nd June	2.50pm Yr4 Work Sharing
22nd June	School Association Discos 5.00pm-6.00pm EYFS & KS1 6.15pm-7.30pm KS2
24th June	Rickling RunFest
25th June	Fire Evacuation Practice
26th June	Reception audio tests and dental talk
29th June	9.15 DSPL3 Transition Workshop
30th June	Allycats Taster Day
2nd July	Yr4 Stansted Mountfitchet Castle
2nd July	Yr 4 Birchwood Games
3rd July	Year 5/6 Rehearsal at Rhodes
3rd July	Year 5/6 production at Rhodes
3rd July	2.45pm Reception Work Sharing
4th July	Yr5 British Museum
5th July	11.15am Nursery AM Work Sharing
5th July	2.45pm Nursery PM Work Sharing
6th July	Happy Bag Collection
6th July	Sports Day followed by BBQ & Bounce
9th July	Get Active Week
12th July	Move Up Morning
12th July	Yr 2 Transition to KS2 meeting
12th July	2.45pm Yr2 Work Sharing
16th July	2.45pm Yr1 Work Sharing
17th July	Take Over Day
19th July	Leavers' Assembly
19th July	Yr6 Work Sharing (following Leavers' Assembly)
20th Jul 2018	Break up for Summer 2018 2pm
3rd & 4th Sep	INSET DAYS
5th Sep	Children Return to School

*Red = New Item

Safeguarding

Don't forget the whole school evacuation on **Monday, 25th June** to the site of the Rugby Club. Can parents please pick up their children from the Rugby Club at the end of the school day. The children will be bringing their belongings with them ready to go straight home. Children who will be attending Night Owls or after school clubs on that day will be walked back to school by staff, so parents of these children need not come to the Rugby Club.

Enriching the Curriculum

American Football

"Last Friday, Northgate took 3 teams to an American football tournament at Birchwood. We won the first game against Summercroft 17-6 with some great throws by Olivia Kir and assistance from Jakey and Archie.

The second game was close but we lost to St Andrew's.

Unfortunately, despite a great shot from Olivia and a heroic catch from Jakey, we lost our third and most important game 17-5 against Windhill.

The team came in fourth place, despite a great effort by all.

We would like to give 'Player of the Match' to Olivia Kir for her brilliant throw" ...**Tom** and **Jakey** (class 12)

Yr5/6 Girls Kwik Cricket - Sawbridgeworth

On a very cold and windy day, last Thursday, 9 year 6 girls attended the cricket tournament at Sawbridgeworth Cricket Club. Northgate easily won the first round, then won a hard game against St Joseph's in the semi-final and finally became runners up to Manor Fields in a very evenly matched, final game. The whole team worked very well together, demonstrating some excellent fielding, including catches by Annie, Pearl and Olivia Kir. Kaitlin showed off her newly acquired batting skills by reaching the boundary on several occasions and Nissi used her talent for speed to build up the runs total. Well done Northgate!

Yr 6 Cricket Match

Yesterday, Northgate Cricket Club beat Windhill by 264 runs to 223. A big well done to all those who took part.

Reminders and Updates

School Photos

Class and Staff Photos will be taken next **Monday, 18th June**.

Science Curriculum Evening

Please remember to join us for the Science Curriculum Evening at **7.00pm next Wednesday, 20th June**.

Class 7 Cake Sale

Amber, Bella, Liberty, Sienna and Isabella in class 7 held a cake sale on Thursday at break time. We are pleased to report they raised £133.00 for Alzheimer Research. Well done girls!

School Uniform

If you wish to purchase school uniform from Fosters Schoolwear, Suzi Foster will be in the school playground on Sports Day with any "click and collect" orders of uniform that have been ordered before 15th June. She will be here until 3.00pm.

Any new nursery or reception parents must place an order by Friday, 29th June if they wish to collect the uniform on sports day.

Any queries must be directed to Fosters on 01279 653865 or at info@fostersschoolwear.co.uk

Vacancy for a Midday Supervisory Assistant

We currently have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisory Assistant. If you know anyone in the local community (parents, grandparents, friends, relatives or neighbours) who could work during lunchtimes in the school please contact the school office. This could be five days a week or two or three days a week. Thank you

Community

Italian Language Courses

Hockerill College are offering Italian language course for year 5/6 children, starting in September. Please see the attached flyer for further information.

Celebration of Achievements

This week's stars of the week were:

Nursery: (am) - James T
(pm) - Finley

Reception: (R1) - Rose
(R2) - Sarah

This week our 'Learner of the Week' focused on History and Geography.

Our Star Learners were praised by their class teachers for their detailed comparisons, sharing prior knowledge and cross-curricular writing.

Well done to:

Class 1: Annie	Class 7: Samuel
Class 2: Ralf	Class 8: Dylan
Class 3: Gregor	Class 9: Daniel
Class 4: Tristan	Class 10: Harry
Class 5: James W	Class 11: Lizzie S
Class 6: Will	Class 12: Joseph

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Preparing for Transition Workshop

A FREE workshop for parents/carers with children with SEN, to support with the transition into school, a new school year or to secondary school is taking place at Northgate in the morning of Friday, 29th June.

Please see the attached flyer for further information and to book a place.

School Association

Disco - Friday, June 22nd

Please note the earlier times for the disco are:

EYFS & KS1- 5.00pm-6.00pm

KS2 - 6.15pm-7.30pm

Tickets will be on sale in the playground before and after school next week. Foundation/KS1 £2.50 and KS2 £3.

Remember to pre-order your hot food - hot dogs, with oven fries and sweetcorn cobettes - for £2 per head. Veggie hot dogs also available. Sorry, there won't be a hot gluten free option - however there will be some gluten free snacks.

Please write your child's name on the ticket before they come. This will help to speed up entry. For Foundation/KS1, please also write the number of accompanying adults and siblings on the back - this is to help us keep track of numbers in the case of a fire. For KS2, please remember NO COATS, CAMERAS OR MOBILE PHONES allowed, (This is for safety and safeguarding reasons.)

We still need helpers, so if you can spare some time please sign up at: [School Disco June 22nd 2018 Survey](#)