

NEWSLINE

North Primary School and Nursery
A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos

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Thank You Y6 for a Wonderfully Entertaining Show

"That was a giggle." "They were really acting." "I couldn't tell who the Oompah Lompahs were, their make-up was so good." "I loved the props." "You have brilliant staff at your school, what they have done for my son is incredible." These were just some of the glowing compliments from proud parents after they had enjoyed the Year 6 performance of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*.

On a scorching hot night, with parents fanning themselves with their programmes, under the burning glare of the spotlights, the Year 6 cast were magnificent. How the children remember all their lines is incredible. They acted with great presence and

comic timing. They sang some tricky songs with great rhythm and enthusiasm. The sheer enjoyment of what they were doing was joyful.

The children have grown so much in their final year. In reception there were 45 of them. There are now 57 and there have been leavers as well as newcomers. What is so pleasing is how the children have grown as a group and supported each other in and out of the classroom. A credit to them and a tribute to the hard work of all the staff at North.

The children are well prepared and ready for their secondary schools.

Best wishes for happy and successful futures.



A-Mazing Reports

A shipful of super scholars!

Pictured right are the children who got a complete set of A grades on their reports. They should be very proud of this significant achievement - some of them for the second or third time. There were fewer straight-A students this year but there are many more children who have achieved more As than last year. They, too, are rightly proud of their reports and that their teachers have recognised their greater commitment to their learning.

Please remember to spend a few moments to write your views on your child's progress and achievements this year and also help them to remember their highlights and return the yellow slips to the class teacher. Thank you.



With just a few days to go to the end of another school year thoughts turn to what to do with your children for the next six weeks.

6 weeks = 42 days. If children on average take 12 hours to eat, sleep and wash that leaves 12 hours to do things. That means 12 x 42 hours which is a staggering 504 hours to fill!

Teachers have given you ideas on things the children can do to prepare for September. The library summer read is a must. Best foot forward have some great ideas too (see below). Nothing so far has cost any money, which has to be a bonus.

Our Year 5 school councillors are working on producing a guide to fun home learning. This will be launched in the Autumn Term. Some of their ideas include going to the park, baking a cake, skoolbo, the number plate game for those long boring journeys.

If you have an idea for a great home learning activity in the home, in the garden, in the area, please let the school council know.



Play days to explore local green spaces with a forest school teacher, free cake with The Cake Escape, real treasure with the Cycling Centurion Treasure Trail. Look out for the Best Foot Forward **Summer Days Out** poster which is full of ideas and diary dates for local, fun, low cost, car free family days out over the holiday. Use the BFF website to find out more and to plan your

routes. www.bffcolchester.org.uk

DATES FOR TERM

Thursday 21st July	Y5 Music Concert	2.00pm
Friday 22nd July	Final day of School Year	
Monday 5th September	New School Year begins	
Monday 5th September	Year 6 Travel to Weymouth	
Friday 21st October	Final day of half term	
Tuesday 1st November	School resumes	
Wednesday 21st December	Final Day of Autumn Term	
Thursday 5th January 2017	First day of Spring Term	