

# NEWSLINE



North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos

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## The Jewel in the Crown

It has been very busy in the Nursery this term. In the first week the children had a visit from a firefighter (see below). In week 2 there have been Stay and Learn sessions in the mornings and afternoons. Pictured left are the Gooches - William, Dad (Ed), Jack and Henry. William is still enjoying the Nursery and his dad and brothers attended. Ed was not taught by Mrs. Allen (although Miss Jacobs taught him when he was in the infants) but his sisters were! They all have very happy memories of how their learning journeys began at North.

## End of an Era

At the end of the summer term Mrs. Allen is going to be starting her well-deserved retirement. She officially started at North in 2000, teaching in the school, moving into the Nursery after Mrs. Keeble retired. The Gooches have fond memories of the Nursery. Ed says his favourite memory was playing in the sandpit and pretending it was a beach. Jack loved dressing up as a policeman and driving round in cars. Henry remembers Mrs. Allen giving him the courage to cross the wooden bridge. And we can see what William loves doing best!

Mrs. Allen says she will miss Nursery because everyday is different, but she is looking forward to retirement because everyday will be like the summer holiday.

She is looking forward to doing things for the last time; making sure the older children in the Nursery get ready for starting school, and handing over to her successors.

I am sure you will all join with me in wishing Mrs. Allen a wonderful final term.

There are changes to the Nursery hours from September. The Nursery sessions will be longer and we need to know how parents feel about this. All parents are being asked for their views on this change.

Look out for your letter and please respond.



Today (21st) we had a visitor, Mr. Gustafson, who is a firefighter. He is a Station Officer in London. He showed us his uniform and told us about his work. Then he put out a fire in the Nursery garden. Afterwards all the children saw his fire car he even put on the blue lights and siren for us!

Mrs. Allen

## Year 5 visit to Colchester United

As part of the Move and Learn project the year 5s were involved in, with Colchester United, the school was given 7 tickets to go and see the team in action in a league match. Names were drawn out and on Saturday we met at the ground to watch Colchester United take on Plymouth Argyle. Plymouth had already secured enough points to be top of the league and promoted into the next division. Colchester really needed to win in order to keep their playoff chances alive. It was an end to end game and full of oohs and aahs. When we got into the ground Jazil was surprised at how big the goals looked compared to what we have at North. The game ended in a 0-0 result, which was disappointing for Colchester, however it made for a great afternoon for us. Many thanks to Mr Harris who helped out on the day.

**Mrs. Eves reporting**



Can you tell when this tea party was held? Elif, Isabel, Kosara, Star, Kacie, Abigail and Gustavs finished the Spring Term having a lovely tea party with their families. [Great hat Kosara.]

### TERM DATES

Monday 1st May	Bank Holiday - school closed	
Monday 8th May	Year 6 SATs WEEK	
Monday 15th May	Year 2 assessment week	
Monday 15th May	Walk to School Week	
Monday 22nd May	SCIENCE WEEK	
Thursday 25th May	September starters' Parent Evening	6.00pm
Friday 26th May	PENNY RACE	
Friday 26th May	Last day of half term	
<b>Tuesday 6th June</b>	Return to school	
Thursday 8th June	Class Photos	
Friday 9th June	NSA Bingo Night	
Wednesday 21st June	Nursery Sporty Morning	
Tuesday 27th June	KS1 Afternoon of Sports	
Wednesday 28th June	Reception Sporty Morning	
Thursday 29th June	KS2 Afternoon of Sport	
<b>Friday 30th June</b>	NSA SUMMER FETE	6.00pm
<b>Tuesday 4th July</b>	KS1 Play - Around the World	Evening performance
<b>Wednesday 5th July</b>	KS1 Play - Around the World	Morning performance
<b>Friday 7th July</b>	KS2 special event!	
<b>Friday 14th July</b>	OPEN EVENING	6.00pm
<b>Tuesday 18th July</b>	Year 6 Production	7.00pm
Friday 21st July	End of school year	
Monday 4th September	Year 6 go to Weymouth	
Wednesday 6th September	Autumn Term begins	