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North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos

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Famous Five

Jake, Anisa, Manni, Tom and Nithin (pictured in the council chamber and with the mayor) went to the Town Hall on the 22nd to take part in Youth Speaks, a public speaking competition organised by the Rotary Club. 10 other schools entered the competition. Tom and Nithin did a great job contributing to the script and directing the chair, speaker and proposer. Jake was a commanding presence as the chair; Anisa spoke clearly and with feeling, and Manni delivered his lines with great timing. They overcome their nerves and were very proud to be declared runners up to winners Layer-de-la-Haye. Well done team.

Able Writers Workshop with Stephen Davies at Kendall Primary School

This week a group of Year 2 students attended an Able Writers Workshop at Kendall Primary School with the author Stephen Davies. Mr Davies has written a variety of children's books which include the Sophie Series and Survivor. The students enjoyed the workshop and learnt how to develop a story from an initial idea using a 5 step plan. They learnt that a good story needs to use the following structure:-

- what if
- a hero
- a problem to solve / treasure to find
- a setting
- to build to a climax

The students were asked to put themselves in the shoes of their character and think about what he or she sees, hears and feels. A good story sees the main character put into a bad situation which then gets worse before the character finds a solution.

The children also enjoyed making a story board to help them develop their ideas. Juliette, Elijah, Logan, Maddison, Cassie, Olesya, Alexys and Joshua all created a fantastic story by the end of the workshop. Well done!

Mrs. Nowels reporting





After 12 happy years at North, most spent in the Nursery, **Mrs. Dooley** said “goodbye” to the children and staff on the final day of the half term. Mrs. Dooley has many happy memories of North, watching the children grow. She is looking forward to spending more time with her grandchildren and taking holidays when she wants! She will be greatly missed.

Rugby Competition

On a beautiful, warm Spring day (not usual rugby weather) nine pupils took part in the area rugby competition. Teams played in divisions during the morning session and North made a cracking start, winning four out of their five pool matches with some surging runs and a solid defence line from Hari and Lucy who repeatedly tore away the opposition tags. Following round one, teams were placed in new divisions according to their performances. This meant a tough set of matches against competent sides. The team were up to the challenge with Hazem, Ivan and Ellayna supporting each other in thrusting runs which frequently broke the defensive line of the opposition. The competition achieved its aims of providing an opportunity for young people to experience the high-speed action of tag rugby in a friendly, sporting environment. The team’s experience of success left them wanting more.

Mr Armitage reporting



TERM DATES

Friday 26th May	Last day of half term	
Tuesday 6th June	Return to school	
Thursday 8th June	Class Photos	
Wednesday 14th June	Y5/6 Parents Meetings: Sex and Relationships Education	6.00pm & 7.00pm
Friday 16th June	NSA Bingo Night	Please Note New Date
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	
Friday 30th June	NSA SUMMER FETE	6.00pm
Tuesday 4th July	KS1 Play - Around the World	Evening performance
Wednesday 5th July	KS1 Play - Around the World	Morning performance
Friday 7th July	KS2 special event!	
Friday 14th July	OPEN EVENING	6.00pm
Tuesday 18th July	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	