

# NEWSLINE

North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos



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## Purple Pinky Day Great Success Every picture tells a story!

The Rotary Club of Colchester were overwhelmed by the response of the school to their campaign. Children and staff looked amazing in their pinks and purples. Ian and Nigel returned to the school for the special assembly. They were delighted with what they saw. Teachers had the impossible task of nominating the most colourful child in their class. They were presented with knitted little finger warmers. From these children Ian awarded Liliana the special teddy bear. Ian was presented with A GOOD CITIZEN AWARD in recognition of the charity work The Rotary Club do. The money has now been counted and we have collected £448.50.



Pictures from top: Nigel, Ian, Mrs Crawford, children with their pinky warmers and Liliana with

her teddy; Jaden, Leo and Jack; Mrs. Sage with colourful hair, and Ian being presented with a Good Citizen Award.



## SCHOOL COUNCIL DELIVER STRONG ANTI-BULLYING MESSAGE



Children's understanding of bullying and what to do about any acts of unkindness were improved in assembly on the 26th. Jack had designed a very

informative and thought-provoking slide show and with fellow councillors, Zofia, Max and Lauren (pictured) acted out a role play scenario. The children from Y1-Y6 watched intently and were given very good advice on what to do if they are bullied, if their friend is bullied or even if their own friend is a bully. Felix (Y6) thought the assembly was really good and will be a great help.

Here is the final slide. The whole slideshow will appear on the website soon. A great assembly. Thank you councillors.





## Parents' Royal Visit

From the 9th - 23rd, another very successful Monarchs' Week was held in Key Stage 2. This is an annual event which allows the children to study a theme in history over a long period of time. Each year group studies a different British Monarch: Year 3 – Queen Elizabeth I. Year 4 – King James I. Year 5 – Queen Victoria. Year 6 – Queen Elizabeth II.

Throughout the week, the children have investigated and answered the following questions: When did this monarch reign? What would have been seen during the monarch's reign? Who might this monarch have been speaking to? What impact did this monarch have on the country and finally what is this monarch's legacy? The children used skills from our historian's toolkit such as questioning, analysing, deducing and justifying to research events from each of the Monarchs' era. The week also provides a great opportunity for the children to improve their art skills with a focus on drawing portraits of the monarchs.

All of the children have a Monarchs' Week topic book where all of their work is recorded and remains with them throughout their time in Key Stage 2.

Our week ended with a fantastic open afternoon where parents were invited into to come and find out what the children have been learning. A visitors' book was available where comments about the afternoon were recorded. Here are some typical comments

"It was really interesting to understand what the children have been learning." "Loved it, very informative with plenty of facts that are very interesting."

"It was great to see such fabulous work, thank you." "Thank you for inviting us into school for Monarchs' Week. All of the work was fantastic."

"What a great afternoon – it is always such a pleasure to see all of the hard work the children have put into their topics – FANTASTIC."

"I am very impressed with the amount of knowledge the children have gained during the week – very interesting."



Tea Party - 23rd February. Congratulations to Michele-Christine, Roisin, Luca, Joey, Jazil, Rand and Will.

## School Closure - What to do

We do not plan to let *The Beast From The East* defeat us - it has been many years since we have been unable to open the school.

Please assume the school is open. But if we are unable to open a message will be posted on the website. Look there.

Do not ring the school - we will need access to the phone lines to keep in touch with staff.

Thank you. For your co-operation.

Friday 9th March	NSA Craft Fair
Tuesday 20th March	Reception Stay & Learn - Squirrels
Wednesday 21st March	Reception Stay & Learn - Hedgehogs
Friday 23rd March	Reception Stay & Learn - Badgers
Sunday 25th March	Colchester Half Marathon
Tuesday 27th March	Y1-6 Open Afternoon
Thursday 29th March	Easter Parade and last day of term

Tuesday 17th April	First day of Summer Term
Friday 11th May	NSA Bingo Night
Friday 25th May	Penny Race and last day of Half Term
Tuesday 5th June	Return to school
Friday 29th June	NSA Summer Fete
Friday 20th July	End of Term
Monday 3rd September	Year 6 Weymouth Residential
Thursday 6th September	First day of Autumn Term



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