

# NEWSLINE

North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos



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## Newsline Sport Special

Sports News only in this edition. There is always something happening at North. Girls' Futsal and Cross country events are coming up soon. Our sports coach Mrs. Eves, along with other members of staff continue to ensure that children have a range of opportunities before, during and after school, on site or elsewhere, making links with lots of different organisations. She does have some spaces available in her Breakfast Club - enquire at the office.



## As if it Never Happened

How lovely it was to be back in school on the 5th. The warmer temperatures cleared the snow in record time. We are indebted to Mr. Coltart for his efforts over the closure period, clearing the grounds, maintaining the boiler and tackling any leak and pipe problems. Food deliveries did not arrive last week so parents have been informed of changes to the menu this week.

It has been many, many years since we failed to open because of snow. But sometimes we just have to accept that the risk is too great. Thank you for your patience. Now we will be double busy with just over 3 weeks of the term left.

## Bounceability

On the 27th Class 5B were given the opportunity to sample a trampolining session at St Helena School. We arrived with great excitement and were met with four very large trampolines! Mrs Taylor, the PE teacher, taught the children several different skills including tuck jumps, straddle jumps and pike jumps. They then moved onto seat jumps and turns to create a routine! Whilst not on the trampolines, the children took on the important role of 'spotters' to ensure that others were safe when jumping. For many, it was their first try at trampolining, but all of the children had a go and enjoyed the experience. I was impressed with the skills of many children as several showed some great potential. Now the children can look forward to future trampolining lessons at Secondary School and maybe practise their new skills when next on a trampoline!

(pictured, Atene and Sam)

Miss Brooker reporting

## Netball Match 26th February

On a bitterly cold Monday afternoon the netball team braved the elements and travelled down to Kelvedon. The team performed with determination and tried hard throughout the snow flurries. They lost the game to a better team on the day but when asked how they had done Sharnay said "Well, we didn't win but it was a really fun afternoon", and that sums it up beautifully. They are an improving team who always play with a smile on their faces. Well done girls.

Mrs Eves reporting

## Looking Forward to the New Cricket Season Great New Opportunity

We are so lucky to have such great cricketing facilities on our doorstep. Once again this summer our Year 6s will be able to use the Colchester and East Essex Club facilities beside Castle Park for their after school club (see pictures below). And in conjunction with the national and county organisations children can sign up to the brilliant AllStars programme. Later this month coaches will give our Year 1s and 2s a taster session. Here are more details from Colchester's Club Secretary, Andrew Kennedy.

“Registration has just opened for the second season of the ECB Allstars programme at Colchester and East Essex Cricket Club. All Stars Cricket is a brand-new initiative aimed at providing children, both girls and boys, aged five to eight with a great first beginners experience in cricket. Colchester and East Essex Cricket Club will also be accepting registrations from 9 and 10 year old beginners. Sessions in 2018 are on Friday nights from 6pm to 7pm at Castle Park from May 18th through to 6th July and there is an added bonus of 3 tournaments against other local clubs on Friday 13th and 20th July and Sunday 29th July. All of this for just £65 and

with this your child also gets a fun backpack with all he or she needs to start to enjoy their first cricketing experience.

All Stars Cricket provides boys and girls from 5-8 years old with 8 weeks of non-stop fun. The activity and game based programme is suitable for all skill levels, providing your child with the foundations to begin a lifelong love of physical activity and cricket, while making friends in a safe and enjoyable environment.

Colchester and East Essex Cricket Club is the only club in Colchester town centre that runs the ECB AllStars programme and successfully ran the programme with >60 kids in 2017. We are situated in the picturesque Lower Castle Park with convenient free car parking immediately next to the cricket ground. We have the best training facilities in the local area and have a thriving social atmosphere at the club. We have one of the best junior sections in the county so any budding AllStars that wish to take their cricket further have a great opportunity to do so at our club.

To register go to the following link and sign up now! Please also share this link with other parents and groups who might be interested - the more the merrier!”

<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/Course/69953cf9-a010-49fc-86a6-8df89d774571>

### Nursery Stay and Learn Sessions

Nursery will be having Stay and Learn Sessions during week commencing 12th March. Morning sessions will be from 10.15 to 11.15am and afternoon sessions from 2.00 to 3.00pm. Please sign up in the nursery for your choice of session

Thank you



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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