

# NEWSLINE



North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos

November 2018

## YEAR 6 LAUNCH OPEN LESSON SEASON

With the centenary of the WWI fast approaching, Year 6s benefitted from the help of their parents and grandparents in making clay poppies in the first of our open lessons. It was a very productive afternoon. Rhys's mum said she found it very relaxing. Inez likes her mum coming, she thinks it is really great having her help. And her mum loves them too. "I think I've only missed one in the past 12 years," said Mrs. Candler. "It's like being a fly on the wall." Maddie's dad can see many benefits: "It is great to see what the children are learning and it helps to build relationships with the other children and teachers.

"There is always a lovely atmosphere in the Open Lessons which makes the learning enjoyable," said Mr. Bacon. **So, don't miss out on your child(ren)'s class open lessons.** Check the dates overleaf.



### It wasn't like this in my day!

At North we believe education is so much more than tests. We want to nurture a love of learning in every child. We have been building a language of learning with the children which will help them face any challenge. Through class newsletters, parent consultations and the wording on weekly certificates and in annual reports we have been sharing this language with you. But we know this may be quite different to how you experienced learning when you were at school. So, to help you further your understanding of Visible Learning you are invited to a meeting with an educational consultant, Helen Blandford (details below). She can give you an insight into the thinking underlying what we do so that you can help your child(ren) to become even more successful learners.

It would be lovely to see you.

### Supporting Your Child With Reading At Home

Reception parents popped into the Music Studio on the 30th and 31st October to listen to a presentation by Mrs. Catchpole all about reading at home. Parents found the meeting very helpful. They were given lots of information on how we teach reading in school, including how phonics is taught; what you can do at home to help your child improve their reading skills but also develop a love of reading. There are further meetings planned for the spring and summer term. The presentation will be posted on the school website. For everybody to view. It will be useful for parents of children of any age, including pre-schoolers.



ps. Don't forget Mrs. Bennett runs a lovely storytime session every Wednesday lunchtime.

### The Journey of a Visible Learner at North.

I am curious and ask lots of questions.....I ask lots of questions and I am curious to find out the answers and know how to find them  
 I work hard and do not give up – I persevere!  
 I concentrate when I am working by myself.....I concentrate for sustained periods when I am working by myself  
 I enjoy learning new things.....I enjoy learning new things and set myself challenges  
 I can tell you what I am learning.....I am reflective: I can tell you what I am learning and what I need to do next  
 I collaborate well with others.....I work well with others, I can negotiate and I can identify the benefits of collaboration  
 I know what to do when I am stuck.....I know how feedback helps me and I can offer constructive feedback to my peers

**Parents Meeting 2.00pm Thurs. 22nd November**

**VISIBLE LEARNING**

Parking available via Victoria Chase



## Christmas Bazaar Raffle Prizes

Every year the NSA ask local businesses to donate prizes for the raffle. We are very grateful to these companies who step up year after year. It would be great to widen the net - would your business make a donation? Please ask. Good luck. And of course, the better the prizes, the easier it will be to sell the tickets. These will be sent home soon.

### BINGO NIGHT

**Friday 16th November**

Tickets will be on sale soon for family bingo - a very popular evening.

### OPEN LESSONS AND STAY AND LEARNS

<b>Wed 7th November @ 9.15am</b>	<b>Mrs. Neal</b>	<b>Tues 6th November</b>	<b>Reception</b>
<b>Wed 7th November @ 9.15am</b>	<b>Mrs. Spalding</b>	<b>Tues 13th November</b>	
<b>Thurs 8th November @ 9.15am</b>	<b>Miss Wicks</b>	<b>Wed 14th November</b>	
<b>Thurs 8th November @ 9.15am</b>	<b>Miss Jacobs</b>	<b>Nursery Stay and Learn</b>	
<b>Fri 9th November @ 2.00pm</b>	<b>Year 4</b>	<b>12th –16th November</b>	
<b>Tues 13th November @ 9.15am</b>	<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Please look on Tapestry for precise details</b>	

### TERM DATES

Monday 5th November	Individual and sibling photos	All day
Sunday 11th November	Centenary of First World War	
Friday 16th November	NSA Bingo	6.00pm
<b>Thursday 22nd November</b>	<b>Visible Learning Parent Meeting</b>	<b>2.00pm</b>
Thursday 22nd November	Parent Consultation Evening	
Friday 23rd November	Non-uniform day -	
Wednesday 28th November	Parents Meetings for September 2019 starters	6.00pm and 7.00pm
Friday 30th November	NSA Christmas Bazaar	6.00pm
Tuesday 4th December	Nursery Singalong	
Wednesday 5th December	Reception Nativity	9.30am
Friday 7th December	KS1 Christmas Play	9.30am and 2.00pm
Friday 14th December	Year 3 Christmas Play	9.30am
Friday 14th December	Year 4 Christmas Play	2.00pm
Tuesday 18th December	Year 5 /6 Carol Concert	7.00pm
Wednesday 19th December	Last day of Autumn Term	
Monday 7th January 2018	First day of Spring Term	
Friday 15th February	Last day of half term	
Monday 25th February	Return to school	
Friday 5th April	End of Spring Term	
Tuesday 23rd April	First day of Summer Term	
Friday 24th May	Last day of half term	
Monday 3rd June	Return to school	
Wednesday 24th July	End of school year	