

NEWSLINE



North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos

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KS1 have the Perfect Recipe for a Wonderful Christmas

The Infant Hall was packed out on Friday 14th for two brilliant performances of the KS1 Christmas show. All the ingredients were present.

Stunning scenery: tick
Colourful costumes: tick
Dazzling dancing: tick
Amazing acting: tick
Superb singing: tick.
Stylish staging: tick.

The ingredients were cooked to perfection, a five star taste sensation was brought to the table with impeccable service. Both audiences over-



indulged, leaving very generous tips which will be passed on to the East Anglian Children's Hospice. Congratulations to the children and well done to all the staff for a great show and a very successful term.

It is now the turn of KS2: Year 3, Year 4 Christmas plays and the Year 5 and 6 Carol Concert.. What other schools entertain families with five different shows plus a Nursery singalong every year?

That really is exceptional entertainment.

Reception had a wonderful time at the zoo on Wednesday. Our



trip started well with an exciting ride on a double decker bus. We could see so much more of Colchester. As we toured the zoo, we saw sea lions, monkeys, butterflies, orangutans and penguins. We were then led by Peppermint the elf to meet a humboldt penguin called Nauticus. Nauticus was 30 years old. We watched him as he came out of the enclosure and ate fish. Then as a special surprise, we all met Father Christmas who kindly gave us a cuddly toy penguin present. Thank you to all of the adult helpers for accompanying us on this magical trip. Mrs. Arnold reporting.





New Ways to Help the School

Amazon has recently created a way for you to support the NSA every time you shop on their website at no extra cost to you!

To set it up, you just need to go to

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1032262-0>

Colchester Accordion Showband

Christmas Concert

We are thrilled that the national award-winning showband are returning to North on Sunday 16th December. They will be joined by a junior choir, led by Mrs. Skinner. Tickets are available from the school office.

Well done to all the children in Year 1 and 2 who entered the creative writing competition run by The University of Essex. On Tuesday 4th December the children were invited to an award ceremony at the University and it was lovely to see some of the children there. Children's Author James Campbell entertained us with excerpts from his book 'The Funny Life of Pets' and helped present the awards. More than 650 children entered the competition from schools all over the Colchester area. Congratulations to Xiulin whose story was specially commended and to Samuel who won the gold prize in his age range. All the children who took part were congratulated in assembly on the 10th. Miss Wicks reporting



TERM DATES

Thursday 13th December	Christmas Lunch	
Thursday 13th December	Year 3 Christmas Play	6.30pm
Friday 14th December	Year 3 Christmas Play	9.30am
Friday 14th December	Year 4 Christmas Play	2.00pm
Sunday 16th December	Colchester Accordion Showband Christmas Concert	10.30am
Tuesday 18th December	Year 5 /6 Carol Concert	7.00pm
Wednesday 19th December	Last day of Autumn Term	
Monday 7th January 2019	First day of Spring Term	
Friday 25th January	NSA Disco	
Monday 4th February	Choir sing at O ₂	
Friday 15th February	Last day of half term	
Monday 25th February	Return to school	
Friday 1st March	Chocodolly Evening	
Saturday 16th March	Children's University Graduation Ceremony	
Sunday 24th March	Colchester Half Marathon	
Tuesday 26th March	Colchester Music Festival	
Friday 29th March	NSA Spring Fair	
Tuesday 2nd April	Open Afternoon	
Friday 5th April	Easter Parade and Governors' Awards	
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	
Monday 2nd September 2019	Year 6 residential to Weymouth	
Thursday 5th September	First day of new school year	