

NEWSLINE

North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos



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OPERATION CHRISTMAS

Following the success of the Year 6 National Theatre production in July, it was the turn of Year 3 to rise to the challenge of staging a NT play. And the families who watched on the evening of the 13th and the morning of the 14th were not to be disappointed. Staged "in the round" the children showed great maturity in their singing, acting and general stagecraft. The songs captured all the emotions of the Nativity story and the overall performance were full of wow moments. Well done to all the children and staff. Magnificent!



338 children and 54 staff enjoyed a lovely Christmas Dinner on the 13th. It is a great organisational feat to provide lunch for so many and it is only possible because of the skill and dedication of Mrs. Shuter and the kitchen team, and Mrs. Burton and her midday assistant team, and 6 excellent Year 6 waiters.

Chair of the School Council, Joe Addley, proposed a toast and "three cheers" to the staff. A big "thank you" also to the NSA for providing crackers.

THE RIGHT SHEPHERD



Angels dressed in black, riding motorbikes. What on earth is going on? Well, it just goes to show there are an infinite number of ways of celebrating the nativity story. Year 4's production was traditionally staged (apart from the angels on wheels!) and executed brilliantly. Clear narration, funky dancing, excellent acting and possibly the best singing from a Year 4 group that has ever been heard at North – certainly in the 21st century. Congratulations to all the children and staff.





The award-winning **Colchester Accordion Showband** made Sunday 16th very special with their sixth Christmas Concert at North. The Band, led by the indefatigable Mrs. Beecham, were ably assisted by children from KS2 who enacted the Nativity and sang beautifully. Staff and NSA provided the delicious refreshments. Money raised will go to Free For All and Children with Cancer UK.



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> log in and then click "Start shopping".

All the staff at North would like to thank the children and their families for the cards and presents. You are very kind and very generous.
Thank you so much.

TERM DATES

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	