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TEAM NORTH SHINE IN THE SUN

The people of Colchester turned out in their thousands to enjoy the spring sunshine and cheer on the Colchester Half Marathon runners. As always, it was an amazing experience for everybody: the runners who were determined to complete the 13 miles and set a new PB, and the crowds who drew inspiration from the efforts of the runners. It is a privilege to watch the runners approach the finishing line. The winner, clocking an astonishing 68 minutes; Batman and Buzz Lightyear delighting the younger spectators; runners who were in extreme pain, helped by others who were sacrificing their training and PBs to make sure everyone finished. A big thank you too, to our unsung heroes, the team of marshals from North. A thankless task. Our runners and marshals make up TEAM NORTH. If you have visited <https://mydonate.bt.com/events/freeforall2019/484559> and made a donation and left a message, thank you. If you have not yet, it is not too late.

In May the children will be completing their own class half marathons at Hilly Fields. This was a great event last year. This year there will be a shield for the class that raises the most sponsor money. Just like the Penny Race, which will be held on the same day.



Is There a Better Way to End a Busy Week Than To Spend an Hour at The NSA SPRING CRAFT FAIR?

The NSA took full advantage of the school's two halls on the 22nd with their third Spring Fair. 70 adults and their children enjoyed afternoon tea in the Infant Hall before joining other families in the junior hall where the arts and crafts stalls were set up. Local arts and crafts people were selling their creations. There was also plenty for the children to do. It was lovely to see families sat together, engrossed in a range of activities.

You could even catch up with the CXXV project. Congratulations to the NSA and staff helpers for holding such a lovely event. The NSA is so much more than a fund raiser (though it did raise £274)– it brings our school community together too. Thank you. Pictured: James and Lara-Leigh with their mums; who is hiding behind the stained glass window heart he has made for his mum?



KS1 Love Going Back in Time

On Thursday 21st KS1 stepped back in time to enjoy a day of fun and feasting to celebrate the end of their castle topic. The day began by exploring different aspects of castle life and learning about the different roles that people had within the castle. The children all made gingerbread ready for the feast and tried dancing and making music in a medieval style. They also tried out some skills to entertain the Lords and Ladies of the castle such as juggling, plate spinning and stilt walking.



Then it was time for the feast! Every child was assigned a role to play, which they took very seriously. And, as you can see from the photos, they all looked magnificent. Nevaeh and Arthur were appointed King and Queen with many Lords and Ladies arriving to attend their feast.

Nevaeh said, "It was bit nerve-wracking being the Queen because I had to control the Great Hall." They were met in the Great Hall by knights on guard, waited on by servants and entertained by dancers, jesters and musicians. Rohan

said being a musician was fun and Luke said, "I enjoyed the entertainment, Charlie and Lark made me laugh!" David liked eating the bread and jam. Hope agreed, "The food at the feast was really tasty."

The day was a great success and a fitting way to end a topic that the children have enjoyed so much. The final word has to go to Sonny: "**It wasn't a great day, it was the best day ever!**"

Miss Jacobs reporting

TERM DATES

Tuesday 26th March	Colchester Music Festival	6.30pm
Friday 29th March	Mothering Sunday Lunch	Order forms sent home
Tuesday 2nd April	Open Afternoon (KS1 and KS2)	2.00pm parking available
Friday 5th April	Easter Parade and Governors' Awards	assembly
Friday 5th April	End of Spring Term	
Tuesday 23rd April	First day of Summer Term	
Friday 10th May	NSA Bingo Night	6.00pm
Friday 24th May	Penny Race	
Friday 24th May	Children's Sponsored Fun Run at Hilly Fields	Details to follow
Friday 24th May	Last day of half term	