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North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos

Looking forward to our 125th anniversary on 12th November. Visit www.northschoolxxv.com

CHILDREN AND PARENTS GETTING READY FOR SEPTEMBER



MEET THE TEACHER MEETINGS

Miss Wicks and new teacher Mrs. Borges were delighted with the turn out at their meeting with parents of children who will be starting Year 1 in September. Parents squeezed into Miss Wicks' classroom. These meetings give parents the chance to meet the teachers and find out how they can help prepare their children during the summer holiday ready to make a super start in September. The children met their teachers "officially" for the first time on the 8th and will meet them again on the 16th. Don't forget Open Evening on the 19th - a chance for you to see your children's work, speak to their current teacher, enjoy looking around the school and introducing yourselves to your children's new teachers.



My very first school lunch....meatballs and rice.

Over the course of this week children who start school in September have had the chance to experience taster sessions in the Reception class and taste experiences from the school kitchen. For one mum (pictured above) it brought back happy memories from when she was a pupil at North. And guess who the headteacher was all those years ago!

Governors' Corner with Vice-Chair Juliette Maxam.

Do you care about the future of this school and other schools? You've probably heard about the funding crisis we and other schools are facing. Now we're asking you to come and show politicians that our children and our schools matter.

Our local councillors will be discussing schools funding in a special debate at Colchester Borough Council on Wednesday 17 July. Please, we need you to come along before the meeting, at 5.30pm, with placards and banners asking for fairer funding for schools. Bring your children, bring your friends, bring your grandparents! We need as many people as possible to make politicians sit up and listen to us.

They say a picture paints a thousand words – we want a photo in the paper of hundreds of people outside Colchester Town Hall sticking up for our schools. Wednesday 17 July, 5.30pm, Colchester Town Hall – put it in your diary now!

Since this piece appeared in July#3 Essex County Council have debated a similar motion and have voted to lobby Government to increase school funding to give schools the money we need to give your children the best possible education. Will Colchester Borough Council follow suit? Come along to find out.

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TERM DATES

Thursday 11th July	Music Concert Evening	7.00pm
Wednesday 17th July	Year 3 Music Concert	11.15am
Wednesday 17th July	Year 4 Music Concert	2.15pm
Wednesday 17th July	Town Hall Rally #FFS	5.30pm
Thursday 18th July	Year 5 Battle of the Bands	2.00pm
Friday 19th July	Open Evening	6-8.00pm
Monday 22nd July	Year 6 Show	7.00pm
Wednesday 24th July	Last day of School Year	
Monday 2nd September	Year 6 residential to Weymouth	
Thursday 5th September	First day of new school year	
Friday 25th October	End of half term	
Tuesday 5th November	Return to school	
Tuesday 12th November	School's 125th Birthday	
Thursday 19th December	End of Autumn Term	
Monday 6th January 2020	First day of Spring Term	
Friday 14th February	End of half term	
Monday 24th February	Return to School	
Friday 3rd April	End of Spring Term	
Monday 20th April	First day of Summer Term	
Friday 8th May	Bank Holiday	

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Mary, from the Essex Library Service will be making her annual visit to North on Wednesday 17th to launch the summer reading challenge. As you can see from the poster above, it has a space theme.

What better way to celebrate the campaign victory to keep Essex Libraries open than to register your children for the challenge. It is free. There will be lots of wonderful books to read and enjoy.

“Meet the New Class Teacher” Meetings

Yr Group	Date	Time
New Starters	Monday 8th July	9.30am note change of time
Current Y2	Tuesday 9th July	9.10am
Current Rec	Tuesday 9th July	2.40pm
Current Y4	Wed 10th July	9.10am
Current Y5	Wed 10th July	2.40pm
Current Y1	Thurs 11th July	9.10am
Current Y3	Thurs 11th July	2.40pm

These meetings give you the opportunity to meet your children's new teachers. Parking will be available in the lower playground.