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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.northschoolcxxv.com



A-mazing Reports

These children* were tickled pink with their reports this year. Their reports contained all A grades or the self evaluation of their learning characteristics was entirely green, a view endorsed by their teachers. Harriet's report was even more remarkable: all grades were A's and her self evaluation was completely green as well. A great achievement. I hope you have enjoyed reading your children's reports. Don't forget to complete and return the pupil and parent response form before the end of term.

*Olivia and Nevaeh were not available for this photograph.

JOHN BEZZANT'S GRANDAUGHTER GETS IN TOUCH

CXXV project organiser was delighted to receive an email on the 13th. It is so amazing that it is printed here in full.

Dear Laura,

I have stumbled across your page whilst reminiscing about my time at North. I went to the Institute to study for my childcare course. I was fortunate enough to do a placement at the school which I loved. Once I qualified I returned to the school as a teaching assistant and worked with Reception, Year 1 and 2 over a two year period, leaving in 1999.

North School has a very special place in my heart as I am also John Bezzant's grand daughter. I was born the year he retired. So I knew about North from a very young age. Whilst working at the school every time I walked through the old hall I'd look up at his picture and give him a little nod. He sadly passed away in 1996.

He wrote his memoirs and I have the only copy. I was wondering if you would like to see it. The document covers all aspects of his life and a lot of family history but of course he mentions North a great deal with very fond memories as well as the challenges he faced. The document is all hand written and takes up a whole ring binder! I fully appreciate you are heading rapidly towards the summer holidays. But if you would like to meet so you can have a look I would be more than happy.

Louise Neville



Isn't this fantastic news. John Bezzant was headteacher from 1954 until 1977. His memoirs will be a marvellous addition to the school archive. I can't wait to read them and to meet Louise too.

TERM DATES

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| 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 | |

Poetry Competition Winners

In assembly on the 12th these children, pictured below, were presented with gift vouchers by Krissy and Melvyn from Bluebird Care Homes. Zakir and Rohan were the overall winners. Congratulations to all the children and thank you to Bluebird for their generosity. Rohan's poem included these lines,
*A smile makes your feelings rise up.
 It makes you happy and all of the love spread out.*



Playing Safely During the Holidays

The Railway Network has contacted all local schools recently to share their concern that some young people are playing along the railway tracks. Most of our pupils play under parental supervision or with older siblings so presumably this concern relates to secondary age pupils. However, please point out to your children the incredible dangers of trespassing on railway property. This short film will help with that conversation:

<https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-primary-school-safety-talk/>



Being Safe on the Roads

On the 11th and 12th, ten Year 5s completed their **Bikeability** training. Instructors from Essex Highways put the cyclists through their paces in school first before taking them out onto local roads. Finally the children were assessed on their ability to ride safely. This course will be repeated for another group of pupils in the autumn term.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



**OPEN EVENING
 FRIDAY 19TH JULY
 6PM - 8PM**