

# NEWSLINE

North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos

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## KS1 ZOO VISITS GREAT SUCCESS

On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June the Year 1 Children learnt about rainforest animals by going on a trip to Colchester Zoo. We went on a rainforest animal hunt and found lots of different animals including chimpanzees, iguanas and spider monkeys. Some of us got to hold giant stick insects in the Discovery Centre and others fed the Rainbow Lorikeets. We explored what it was like to hang from a rope like an orangutan and watched carefully to see if we could spot the spider monkeys using their prehensile tails. In the afternoon we joined in with a rainforest story where we had to guess which animal was making the strange sound. Not even the teachers managed to guess that it was an anteater. Although the rain started to come down in the afternoon we all had a fabulous day and learned lots about the animals of the rainforest. Thank you to all the parents and family members who supported us on the day. Thanks to Free For All for funding the trip. Miss Wicks reporting.



On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June the Year 2's spent the day at Colchester Zoo as part of their Rainforest topic. There was great excitement as we set out to spot the animals that live in the rainforest. Some of the animals we found were sloths, tree frogs, monkeys, iguanas, a giant anteater, tarantulas. The sloths definitely seemed to be a great favourite! We also enjoyed a rainforest experience with one of the zookeepers who explained about the rainforest habitat and how the animals that live there are suited to this habitat. We knew lots already from our learning at school but we learnt some new interesting facts such as the tree frogs are poisonous because of the ants that they eat in the rainforest so the ones in the zoo are safe for the keepers to handle and that sloths can camouflage themselves by turning their fur green. We all had a great day and it was fantastic to bring our learning alive and see animals for real and not just as pictures in a book. Thanks to Free For All for funding the trip. Miss Jacobs reporting



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## NSA FUNDED PLAY EQUIPMENT

Work has started for two exciting play installations. One in the Nursery and one in the woodland area. There was slight disruption on arrival on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> which was overcome by parents wheeling their buggies through the front door. Whilst works are going on please be patient and take extra care when walking your children through the school site.



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## “Meet the New Class Teacher” Meetings

Yr Group	Date	Time
New Starters	Monday 8th July	9.10am
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.

The NSA QUIZ NIGHT was a great success. Even the team that won the wooden spoon had a great time. The questions were hard enough but not too hard apart from the round of questions written by Year 6 which the teams found very tough. Thanks to quizmaster THE GAVLAR, to CURRY LEAF CATERING for superb food and the NSA for excellent table service. Pictured below is the victorious team, *It’s Grim Up North*.



## TERM DATES

Wednesday 12th June	Nursery Open Afternoon	4.00pm—5.00pm
Wednesday 12th June	Y5/6 RSE Meeting for Parents	6pm and 7pm
Thursday 13th June	Fathers’ Day Lunch	Booking required
Friday 14th June	KS2 Free For All Enterprise Show	Details to follow
Monday 24th June	Nursery Sporty Morning	
Monday 24th June	Nursery Sporty Afternoon	
Tuesday 25th June	KS1 Sports Afternoon	afternoon
Wednesday 26th June	Reception Sporty Morning	
Wednesday 26th June	KS2 Sports Afternoon	afternoon
Tues 2nd and Wed 3rd July	KS1 Enterprise Show	
Friday 5th July	NSA Summer Fete	6.00pm
See table above	Parents “Meet the New Class Teacher” Meetings	
Wednesday 17th July	Year 3 Music Concert	morning
Wednesday 17th July	Year 4 Music Concert	afternoon
Thursday 11th July	Music Concert Evening	Details to follow
Thursday 18th July	Year 5 Battle of the Bands	afternoon
Friday 19th July	Open Evening	
Monday 22nd July	Year 6 Show	evening
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	
Thursday 19th December	End of Autumn Term	



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