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North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos

Celebrated our 126th anniversary on 12th November. Visit www.northschoolcxxv.com

Jack Gooch presented with the Banham Award



We are very grateful to the Banham family for sponsoring a new annual award. Our first winner, Jack Gooch, was presented with the award by Zak Banham on the 14th July. The award is presented to a pupil who has shown determination and resilience during PE this year.

Jack is a worthy recipient and an inspiration to all the children who face challenges in their life. Jack had been suffering with poor health and weight loss earlier in Year 6 and then was diagnosed with diabetes. He has learnt how to manage his condition and has even made a presentation for his class to help them understand diabetes. Jack continues to enjoy all aspects of school life which includes participation in his PE lessons and after school sports clubs. Well done Jack, we are so proud of you. A worthy winner of The Banham Award.

Zak is actually in Year 7 but he has stayed with us at North whilst getting his place sorted at a special school. [His move was complicated by the pandemic.] Zak joined us when he was 4 years old and the progress he made has been remarkable. Zak's parents, Irene and Howard, like all too many parents of children with complex and additional needs, have had to show stubborn determination to get the education provision and health plans that Zak needs. For example, they looked at 16 different primary schools before deciding North was the school they wanted for their son.

We are immensely grateful to the Banhams for their support of the school and it is fitting that Zak's family name will be associated with such a special award.

Thank You, Goodbye and Good Luck.

This term we say "goodbye" to three of our Learning Support Assistant Team. Lucy Maytham joined us in 2017 and has been doing a tremendous job in Year 1. Ilona Farkas has been successfully supporting children with special needs since 2015. And Nikki Crawford has worked throughout the whole school since she joined us in 2010. Lucy is leaving us to train as a teacher. Ilona is moving on to Kingswood Hoe. And Nikki has relocated to York (much as she loves us she would have to get up very early to get to school for 8.30!) They have done an exceptional job at North and they will be greatly missed by the children and their colleagues.



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HILLY FIELDS

Thank you so much for the sponsor money sent in already.

Please keep it coming.

Penny Race

How much do all the coins in a line 74 metres long add up to? Yes, that is right. 74 metres. What a phenomenal effort. Thank you all so much. Well, anyway, that is the question only Gus Gallagher, treasurer of the NSA and his intrepid band of penny counters can answer. Whilst they are busying themselves in their counting house the engraver is etching the name of the winning class on the shield. This will be announced in an assembly in the final week of term.

What does a hero look like? Ness Andrews, that is what a hero looks like. Breaking her arm during her training was not a barrier to her taking part in the sponsored cycle ride. Although she will not be able to join the team on the castle bike ride on the 24th, she will still be taking part on her exercise bike in her back garden. So, you can still sponsor Ness. The PayPal donate page has now been set up and here is the link - https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=53KNXT3F4YGAY&source=url You can access it via the school website too. You can sponsor any of our cyclists in this way. Please support all our cyclists.

Green Team Win KS2 Sports Day

Team Captains, Elijah and Maya, were presented with the trophy in assembly on the 14th. Although each KS2 year group had separate sports days, their points were totted up and the Green Team were victorious. Hopefully next year we will have spectators to cheer on the children at all the sports days.

That would be lovely.



Dates for your Diary

Week beginning Monday 12th July - Music Concerts

Monday 12th July	Annual Reports go home
Friday 16th – Sunday 18th July	Year 6 Residential, Mersea
Wednesday 21st July	Final day of school year
Thurs 2nd September	First day of New School Year
Mon 6th September	Y6 Residential to Osmington Bay
Friday 22nd October	Final day of half term
Mon 1st November	Return to school
Fri 17th December	Final day of Autumn Term