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North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos

We Celebrated our 125th anniversary on 12th November 2019. Visit www.northschoolcxxv.com

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Governors' Awards Spring



The Final Assembly of the term was an adventure! Part zoom, part fire drill. Squeezing into the junior hall did not seem very sensible so we started off on zoom and presented the governors' awards in the playground (parent governor, Mrs. Dagge, is pictured left).

The children looked fantastic in their bonnets. It is a lovely spectacle and lifts the spirits before school. A big thank you to the NSA for providing easter chocs for everybody and a big one for the "winner" in each class. It was also lovely for us all to gather to say goodbye to Mrs. Ames and Mr. Hornett.

Happy Easter Everybody!



We Notice Wonderful Things Around Us
Reception had a wonderful time using their senses on their Spring Walk on Tuesday 29th. We smelt the yellow daffodils, listened to the birds and the river water rushing through the weir, felt the prickly monkey puzzle tree and used our eyes to spot blossom, new trees, tulips and ducklings. Thank you to all of our helpers for making this trip possible, we had a brilliant time!
Mrs. Arnold reporting

Last week, our year 6 pupils visited the Baptist church for the 'Easter Cracked' event. This has been a regular annual event but is something that we have not been able to do over the last two years. We were made very welcome by the hosts who led us through the story of Easter with some interactive group sessions, including a very popular cup cake decorating activity. The children managed to resist eating them until they had all seen the baptistry which had been opened up especially for us to see. This was a very enjoyable afternoon in the brief glimpse of Spring sunshine.

Mr. Armitage reporting

NSA NEWS



Spring Raffle Grand Draw
With thanks to all who helped the NSA: local businesses, The Russell Family and to all you ticket sellers.

COLCHESTER HALF MARATHON WE HAVE NINE RUNNERS

Over the years this event has been a tremendous fund raise for the school and great day for our school community. Staff and governors act as marshals in exchange for our runners gaining free entry to the race. Our families line the route and cheer the North runners (and the other too, of course) and the atmosphere around the finishing line is incredible. If you are a keen runner—or know someone who is— please sign up. Join Team North, and make a difference, So far we have 9 runners.

Here are the nine superheroes -

**Chris Rookyard, Andy Hickman, Phil Wood,
Kaia Anderson, Ania Moroz, Jennifer Watson, Marco Ber-
toni, Raimo Hunt and Mirel Nicolei**

Support our winning team—sponsorship details out soon

SUNDAY 22nd May
Colchester Community Stadium
contact
Mrs. Sancassani in the school office

SPRING FAIR

Friday 22nd April 3.30 pm ‘til 5.30pm
Children’s Art and Craft Stalls
Colchester Arts and Crafts Guild Stalls
Local Authors selling signed copies of their books
Family Cream Teas
Here is the new afternoon tea booking form
<https://forms.gle/6soPSJjZhraC7ZFXA>

GOVERNOR’S CORNER

Dear Parents,

It has certainly been a challenging term for us all. I am sure you would like to join the governor's in thanking all the staff for working so hard and enabling the school to stay open whilst covid infections continued to rise.

Your understanding and support of the school is very much appreciated, most especially your cooperation with all the changes that have had to be made. It was disappointing that the Spring Fair had to be postponed, but we hope it will be able to go ahead on the new date of 22nd April.

Despite the challenges many of the planned activities did go ahead during the spring term, including sporting events, bikeability, the robotic competition, e-safety week and science week. The summer term is traditionally packed with trips and sporting events, and it is hoped that we will be able to continue with these.

Governors and staff continue to work hard behind the scenes to ensure the smooth running of the school. We were fortunate to be able to visit the school to monitor reading, and saw some excellent work being done. Here in Essex it is the Year of Reading, and we hope you will use this as an opportunity to enjoy reading even more with your children at home.

We wish you all a relaxing Spring break and look forward to seeing you at events during the summer term.

Best wishes

Jan Blackwell
Chair of Governors

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 19th April	First day of summer term
Friday 22nd April	NSA SPRING FAIR
Sunday 22nd May	COLCHESTER HALF MARATHON
Friday 27th May	Last day of half term
Tuesday 7th June	Return to school
Tuesday 7th June	Class Photos
Thursday 21st July	Final Day of Summer Term
Mon 5th September	First day of New school year