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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.northschoolcxy.com



NORTH'S GOT TALENT

Friday 27th May 2022

The half term finished on a high with the school getting in to full Platinum Jubilee Celebration spirit. Lola Turner, Year 6, was headteacher for the day and did a great job leading assembly.



In the afternoon the Year 6 councillors hosted the NGT final and what a job they did. It was a slick show. All the finalists did brilliantly. Judges, Carli Norris and Jan Blackwell had a tough job but solo singing artiste Akosua was declared the winner.



Making North Station Road Safer to Cross

A school delegation met with local County Councillor, Lee Scordis, and MP Will Quince to listen to our concerns about driver behaviour on this road.

Barbara Gill, NSA, had been writing to Lee Scordis on this issue and made an impassioned case for the following –

1. Signage improvements so that drivers know they are approaching a school.
2. Timing on the crossing – it is only red for short period.
3. Police to increase presence to capture speeding/ red light jumping.

Temporary signage installation – perhaps home made as a stop gap. During our time stood by the crossing we saw a number of vehicles going through the lights when red or setting off when the light was flashing and pedestrians were still crossing. Lee Scordis has got this response from Essex County Council –

The crossing in question is a pelican crossing which has a steady red man /green man for 5 seconds followed by the flashing amber/ flashing green man for a further 8 seconds. These timings are fixed and cannot be adjusted. While the pedestrian is on the crossing, they have right of way.

Unfortunately ECC has no power of enforcement in relation to poor driver behaviour. This would be a matter for Essex Police who can be contacted via calling 101. Neither do ECC provide cameras for these purposes.

Going forward however, I am pleased to confirm that this site has been earmarked for an upgrade in the coming 12 months. When it does, the flashing amber/flashing green man period will be replaced with a vehicle red/green man followed by a vehicle red/pedestrian black out period, which is to be extendable, for improved safety to the pedestrian.

I am encouraged by the news of an “upgrade” but feel underwhelmed by the response to the request to change the timings. I have asked Cllr Scordis to push on this.

Will Quince’s office have contacted my with this: “I want you to know that Will has raised concerns about speeding on North Station Road with the Police and First Buses, we will update you as soon as he receives a response.”

As you will see, there are some lovely flags that sprung up on the road for the Jubilee. Apparently, it is not so straightforward to get signs put up to warn drivers that there will be lots of children.

For those of you following these developments there has been a re-think on the plan to limit traffic coming up North Station Road. That plan has been shelved.



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 7th June	Return to school
Tuesday 7th June	Class Photos
Friday 24th June	Y3/4 Sports Afternoon
Monday 27th June	Y5/6 Sports Afternoon
Tuesday 28th June	Y1/2 Sports Afternoon
Wednesday 29th June	Reception Sports Morning
Friday July 1st	Hilly Fields Fun Run
Friday July 1st	Summer Fete
Monday 11th July	First Aid Day
Friday 15th July	Open Evening
Thursday 21st July	Final Day of Summer Term
Mon 5th September	First day of New school year
Mon 5th September	Year 6 Osmington Bay

