

# NEWSLINE

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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](http://www.northschoolcxxv.com)

### “Telford Here We Come!”

North Roboteers competed in their final Vex IQ Challenge qualifying competition at Pettward Hall in Gt Finborough, Stowmarket on January 31st. Twenty-two teams from seven schools, ranging from Yr 6 to Yr 9, striving for a place at the National competition next month!

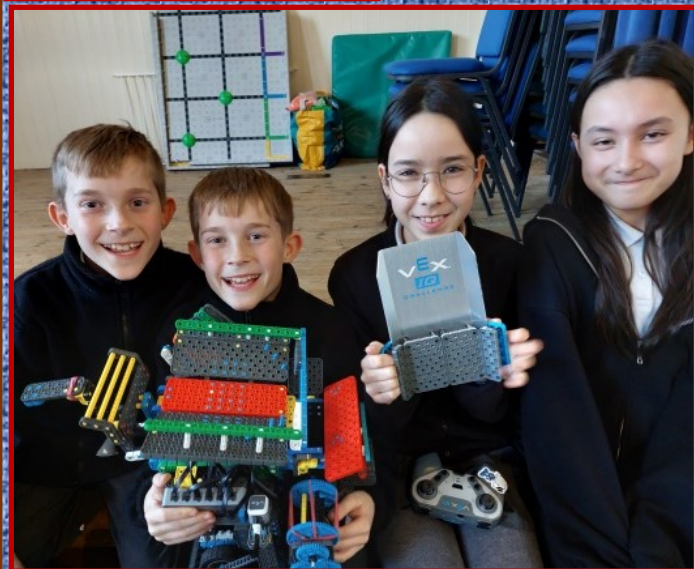
In the weeks leading up to the event the team had worked hard on their programming skills, to make their robot complete the game autonomously, and improved their driving skills using a remote controller. They were rewarded for their efforts by gaining an award for the highest score in the autonomous category and coming 2nd in the skills event.

The team also played in four qualifying rounds collaborating with another team to combine scores, and finished in joint 8th place in the playoffs.

The children represented North with confidence and enthusiasm. They then had to wait for a few days before finding out that they have qualified for the Nationals in Telford next month.

I was very proud of team!

**Mrs. Walker reporting**



### Governor's Corner

Dear Parents,

It has been a chilly start to the New Year, thank you for your patience while the heating problems were resolved.

We notified you last November that the term of office for three of our Parent Governors was due to expire.

I am pleased to inform you that all three governors renewed their nominations and have remained on the governing body. Congratulations to Claire Mold; Mubeena Siddiqi; and Duncan Stewart.

In total we have 5 parent governors to represent you, the remaining two being Sareta Fontaine and Ben Howard.

Full details of all 15 governors that make up our governing body can be found on the website. We look forward to meeting with you at school events during the Spring Term.

Best Wishes,

**Jan Blackwell, Chair of Governors**



### Author's Abroad: a "Grand Day Out" at Heathlands

Emma, Liepa, Luis and Luke left school, full of excitement with a dash of mystery and anticipation, to spend the day at Heathlands School. They joined children from other local Schools and received a warm (and energetic) welcome from the special Guest and Children's Author, Anne Stairmond, who introduced herself, and explained what they would be doing for the day. What followed was a day filled with imaginative and creative writing, and it was a joy and a privilege to see and hear all the ideas which this special Event encouraged. We were also spoilt with a vast and eclectic selection of fancy dress (optional for Children, compulsory for the Adults!!!) It never ceases to amaze me to see how many ideas can be produced in such a short space of time (and in some cases, the children only had a few minutes to come up with some quite complex writing tasks), yet from what I saw and heard, all excelled (and certainly appeared to be enjoying the challenge too!) Emma, Liepa, Luis and Luke all represented our School outstandingly well, clearly putting into practice what they've learned during their time at North. They went to Heathlands to shine and shine they did! WELL DONE to EMMA, LIEPA, LUIS & LUKE!

*As a governor, it was an absolute pleasure - not just to help, but also to share in this unique opportunity with our pupils, and to see their creativity first-hand!*

**Mr. Stewart - Parent Governor.**

## NSA NEWS

### Second Hand Uniform Sale and Exchange Tuesday 7th February

Thanks to the NSA for managing this. Which is proving a very useful event,. We plan to hold the next one before Easter.

Please note - we have a remarkable amount of lost property - without a name anywhere on the clothing.!

### School Disco February 24th February

Nursery children can attend with their parents, just like the infants.

At the last disco we had lots of help which enable the NSA to run a great snack bar. Please let the NSA know if you can help at this event— helpers always say how much they enjoy mucking in.

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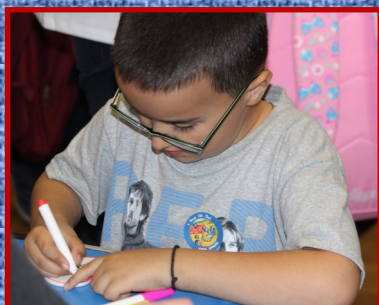
### Spring Fair February 17th March

This is such a lovely event. There is something for all generations to enjoy...

Afternoon tea

Children's craft activities

Arts and Craft stalls - perfect for Mothers' Day gifts



### Monday Assemblies

These assemblies have really captured the interest of the children and staff. We are continuing to learn about our families' and staff connections with countries from all over the world.

Children and parents have been happy to share their knowledge and experiences.

So far this term we have learnt about Scotland, India, Australia and Sri Lanka.

Over the next half term we will learn about Lithuania, Turkey, Jamaica and Ireland.

Last term we found out about Germany, Nigeria, Poland, Bangladesh, Morocco and Thailand.

The powerpoints of these assemblies are posted on the school website. Whilst you miss the comments made during the assemblies, the powerpoints are still very interesting and informative.

Thank you to all the families and staff who have got involved.

### Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 7th February	School Uniform Exchange and Sale
Friday 10th February	Last day of half term
Monday 20th February	SCHOOL CLOSED STAFF TRAINING
Tuesday 21st February	Return to school
Friday 24th February	NSA DISCO
Friday 17th March	NSA SPRING FAIR
Friday 31st March	Last day of Spring Term EASTER BONNET PARADE
Monday 17th April	First day of summer term
Monday 1st May	School closed - May Bank Holiday
Monday 8th May	School closed— King's Coronation
Tuesday 9th May	Year 6 SATS Week
Friday 26th May	End of half term
Tuesday 6th June	Return to school
Friday 21st July	Final day of school year