

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.northschoolcxyv.com

What a Year! The final assembly on the 21st was epic with so much excellence to celebrate. This edition of Newsline is a photo album of that assembly as well as photos that have taken place over the past few weeks.

In the assembly we said goodbye to our Year 6s.

We also said thank you and goodbye to Mrs. Nowells, who has been working as an LSA at the school for 6 years and Mrs. Jaracz.

We also passed on our best wishes to Mrs. Marshall who is now looking forward to her maternity leave.



Governors' Award Winners



Special Achievement Award 2023

For an incredible year.
The winners receive a
£25 book token from Red Lion Books.
With thanks to the generosity of a friend of the school.
[Harrison Catney not pictured]



The Banham Award

Presented to William Gooch
for his commitment to sport.



Music Scholarships

Claudia and Sacha have made the most of their musical opportunities in Y4 and are thoroughly deserving scholars, which will entitle them to free instrument hire and free lessons through Y5.



Garrison Athletics



Sports Days

5 wonderful events enjoyed by competitors and spectators.



Hilly Fields

Well done to the children who collectively completed over 1500 laps. And thank you to those of you who collected sponsor money. You raised just over £2000. Fantastic! Class 2SB returned the most number of sponsor forms. Roxy and Toby, the class councillors, proudly show off the Hilly Fields Shield.





Caring North

Mrs. Olley took the Y3s to Alderwood Care Home for a celebratory picnic. The Archie Project has been a highlight of the year. And Mrs. Olley led the children for a Danceathon to raise money for Dementia UK. Good luck to Ruben Jones who is doing a sponsored walk in the holidays.

Friendship Area Opening Ceremony

The children have been enjoying the Friendship Area for most of the summer term. But on a very rainy Friday 14th July an opening ceremony was held. It was an opportunity to thank the sponsors. It all began with an email from Palmer and Partners who had decided to give £500 to the school. The school council decided it should go towards the creation of a friendship area. Classes came up with designs and these were shared with Richard Tucker, our amazing gardener from TOGETHER WE GROW. He worked with councillors and the gardening club and the friendship area was created. None of this would have been possible without the generous support of The Rotary Club, CWPS Ltd and the family of Sylvia Wood. Sir Bob Russell gifted the maquette of the Taylor sisters which looks perfect. [The full size version will appear on the High Street soon.]

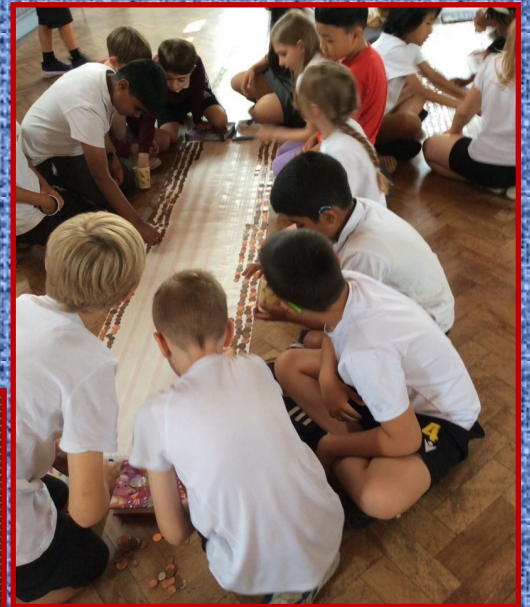
At the ceremony, Alex, chair of the school council, made a superb speech and Roxy and Toby read a lovely poem. Richard and Alex cut the ribbon and glasses were raised. The "area" will be given a permanent name in the autumn and more items will be added through the year.





PENNY RACE

800 metres in total! The NSA are still counting the money! The class that won the penny race is 4B and class councillors Ananya and Jack were presented with the Penny Race Shield.



St Helena 500 Word Story Competition

Photographed are the Y2 and Y6 story writers who each were presented with certificates. Sana was presented with a prize for coming third in her age group. Congratulations to them all.



MUSIC FOR ALL

Wow! Mrs. Ward invited parents to come and join their children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 for three wonderful STAY AND SING concerts. They were absolutely joyful occasions.

Mr. Bosch conducted 4 concerts with bands in Year 3, Year 5 and Year 6 all performing brilliantly.

And that is not all. Year 4s entertained their families playing guitars, flutes, saxophones, clarinets and violins. What a school.





Year 4 Farm to Fork



Year 3 Castle Park



Reception Muddy Boots



ROBIN & THE SHERWOOD HOODIES

What an amazing show
Thank you Year 6.
Good Luck
You will be missed



Colchester Garden Festival Pop Up School Show Gardens Competition

KS1 have been working hard since February to create their show garden for the Colchester Garden Festival. On Friday 14th July Myself, Mrs Woods and six year 1 children walked up North Hill to the Mercury Theatre. The theme of the gardens this year is **upcycling for wild-life** and the children and adults were laden down with plants and equipment to fill our plot with bug hotels, upcycled bottle planters and lots of plants that mini-beasts love, many of which the children have grown from seed. We would like to say a big thank you to Richard Tucker from Together We Grow, who used his electric bike to help us transport a plant pot Super worm and a pallet fence up the hill. There was a fabulous atmosphere at the gardens with children from many different schools all working to create their masterpieces and Lee Connelly (The Skinny Jean Gardener) walking around filming the gardens and talking to the children. The Year 1 children worked really hard all morning and were excellent ambassadors for our school.

Last Year we came third in the competition thanks to all the families who voted for us. We would love to do even better this year.

How to vote:

Visit the pop up gardens outside the Mercury theatre and scan the QR code on our garden.
Or

Go to the In Colchester Website and vote for us on The Garden Festival section.

Miss Wicks reporting



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**VOTE FOR THE
YEAR 1 GARDEN**

