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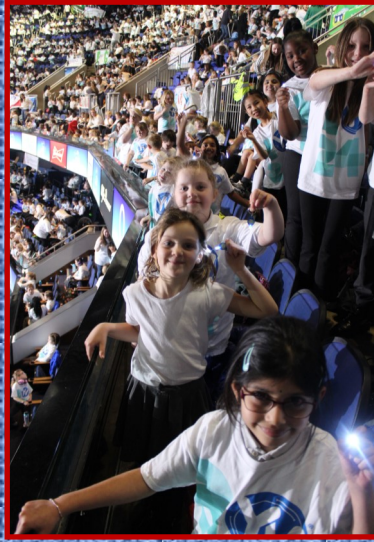
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North Primary School and Nursery

A Town Centre School with a Strong Community Ethos

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



Beyoncé, Ed Sheeran, Prince... North School Choir. What do they have in common? They have all sung at the O2! What a treat it was. **Young Voices 24** was amazing. A huge "thank you" to Mrs. Heaton, ably assisted by Mrs. Walker, for leading the hours of rehearsals and organising the trip. And well done to the choir. Your singing and dancing was absolutely fabulous.



Book Launch at School Council Meeting

Courtney did a great job of chairing the most recent meeting on the 31st January. Her first job was to welcome three special guests (pictured below). Mrs Siddiqi (left), with her governor hat on, was invited to hear about the work that the children have done following the results of the diversity and inclusion survey carried out nearly a year ago. Y6 councillors were proud to show off their exceptional collection of essays on the subject of discrimination (see P3 and 4) written by the Writers' Workshop (pictured above). Mrs. Siddiqi said the book sounded inspiring and was looking forward to reading it. After the meeting all the classes were given copies of the book. Mrs. Dagge, with her NSA hat on, was

invited to respond to the letters from councillors requesting funds for: playtime equipment, a roof for the bike racks and the Friendship Area. She announced that the NSA has agreed to give every class £60 to boost their play equipment. She said the NSA could not say "Yes" to the bike rack roof without knowing the cost so the councillors have got to research that. She also said the NSA is happy to



support the development of the Friendship Area but would not buy a roof for it because it is an outdoor area with plants that need sunlight. Councillors will give these requests more thought.

Mrs. Dagge (right) also shared a presentation all about an exciting and unusual play project which uses scrap materials. See for yourself at <https://suffolkatplay.com/> The councillors are keen to learn more about this scheme and would love to visit one of those schools.

Mrs Purcell (centre) is a teacher at Lexden Primary and she came along to see the council in action - how it is organised and how it makes a difference in the school. She was suitably impressed.

It was a very successful meeting.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE SUPPORT FREE FOR ALL



Colchester Half Marathon Sunday 17th March

<https://www.colchesterhalfmarathon.com/>

Suffolk Sunrise Sunday 19th May

<https://action.org.uk/events/cycling/suffolk-ride>

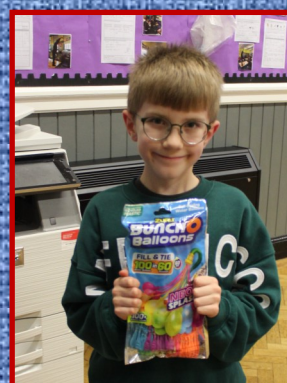
RUN OR RIDE OR SPONSOR OR GET SPONSORS AND CHEER US ON

Dates for your Diary

Monday 12th February 2.30pm	4B guitar concert
Wed 14th February 9.30am	4RH violin concert
Thurs 15th February 10.00am	4RH woodwind concert
Friday 16th February	Last day of half term
Monday 26th February	Return to school
Friday 1st March	PURPLE PINKY DAY
Sunday 17th March	Colchester Half Marathon
Friday 22nd March	NSA Spring Fair
Tues 26th March	Y3/4 Spring Performances
Wed 27th March	Y5 London Trip
Thursday 28th March	Last day of spring term
Tuesday 16th April	First day of summer term
Sunday 19th May	Suffolk Sunrise bike ride
Friday 24th May	Last day of half term
Tuesday 4th June	Return to school
Tuesday 23rd July	Final day of school year
Wed 4th September	First day of new school year

BINGO - FAMILY FUN FOR ALL AGES

“Well done,” and “thank you” to the NSA for a great evening on the 2nd. Numbers were a little down on previous years but there was a good mixture of loyal bingo fans, families attending for the first time and for some it was their first venture into the world of Bingo. And they had a great time - even if they didn't win. Families tucked into their indoor picnics whilst playing 6 games of Bingo with prizes for lines and full houses. Altogether now: “Two little ducks” - “Quack Quack, Quack Quack!”



Do You Want To Live Like This?



**A Collection of Essays
on Discrimination**

The Blurb

“No one is born to hate, they are taught to. If you can be taught to hate, you can be taught to love as it comes more naturally to the human heart.”

Nelson Mandela

Do you want to live in a world of hatred?

Read this book and make kindness your superpower.

12 brilliant essays aimed at 9-11 year olds.

“Stand up for yourself.”

STOP LISTEN TELL

This book in three words

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Persuasive

Passionate