

# NEWSLINE

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2024



## 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)

“Hello” to all our families. On behalf of all the staff and governors I extend a warm welcome to all of you—many who we have come to know over many years, some we have yet to meet—new to Colchester, or new to the UK, or because your children are at that exciting stage of starting their school careers. The teachers are also looking forward to seeing you at the forthcoming meetings for parents where they will set out the learning for the term—dates coming very soon.

We want every child to get the most from their education at North and, as you know, there will be a big push on punctuality and attendance in the coming weeks.

To set the scene for the year I thought it would be interesting to share a few of the comments representative of what parents wrote on their children’s reports. I am sure families new to North will be encouraged by the variety of ways this positivity has been expressed.

Alan Garnett

### A representative sample of parent responses to their children’s annual reports

*“Wow, what a report. \_\_\_ is loving school she is learning so much and has achieved so much. We are very proud of her. Once again, clearly shows the teachers/staff at North Primary are pure class! We are so excited for Year one. Bring it on!” [Reception]*

*“It is our great pleasure to admission in North Primary School for our daughter. As a new child to this country, it was our great concern that how she will adjust with the school, other children and teachers. But you people helped her a lot. We really thankful for that and appreciative.” [Reception]*

*“\_\_\_ has had another fab year at wonderful North! Teachers have been marvellous as always. He has learnt so many wonderful things this year. \_\_\_ (teacher) has been amazing.” [Y2]*

*“As a parent I am really thankful to \_\_\_ and \_\_\_ as they took great effort in \_\_\_’s learning pathway in Y3. I can see that \_\_\_ has improved in reading, writing and mathematics skills. I am sure \_\_\_ enjoyed each moment in Y3 with her favourite teachers and friends. As English make a barrier since it is her second language, to improve her skills is an achievement. The great support of her teachers helped her to overcome that I hope that she can fulfil her dreams in future.” [Y3]*

*“From joining Reception during Covid 19 to the end of Y3, I am truly impressed and inspired by dedication of teachers and staff at North and the achievements our children have made during this time thanks to your hard work. Despite the challenges of pandemic and chronic underfunding you keep making such a positive difference. Thank you for everything and best wishes for a well deserved break.” [Y3]*

*“I am very pleased with \_\_\_’s achievements this school year. Last year we set a goal to beat Y3 report and she has absolutely smashed it. I am very proud of her. For Y4, \_\_\_ chose to put more focus and effort towards collaboration and teamwork. Thanks to her good report we decided to leave the time practising maths and reading after school and work on weaknesses. Also a big thanks to her teachers for making school enjoyable and for her guidance.” [Y4]*

*“Just want to give a huge thanks to everyone at North for all the hard work, kindness and support that you gave to \_\_\_ from Nursery to Y6. \_\_\_ has made wonderful memories that he will never forget.” [Y6]*

*“Throughout \_\_\_’s education I have always been impressed in the extracurricular options available and the educational support provided which has helped my child develop. The fact most of these activities are funded by the school makes a huge difference especially in the early years of \_\_\_’s schooling where we weren’t as financially healthy as we are today.” [Y6]*

# Events to Look Forward to this term

Dates for your Diary	
Mon Sept 2nd	Y6 residential
Wed Sept 4th	First day of school year
Friday Sept 27th	Individual Photos
Friday Oct 25th	Harvest Festival Final Day of Half Term
Tues Nov 5th	Return to school
Fri Dec 20th	Last day of autumn term
Mon Jan 6th	First day of Spring Term
Fri Feb 14th	Final day of half term
Mon 24th Feb	Return to school
Fri April 4th	Final day of Spring Term
Tues April 22nd	First day of Summer Term
Fri May 23rd	Final day of half term
Tues June 3rd	Return to school
Tues July 22nd	Final day of school year

Parents Meetings with class teachers

Reception  
Stay and Learns

Open Afternoon  
Y1-Y6

NSA Pre-Loved  
Uniform Sales

Book Fair

Christmas Plays and  
Concerts

NSA Disco

NSA  
Christmas Bazaar

Prospective Parents Evening  
for  
School Places September 2025

Don't forget, the Friday afternoon  
lending library run by  
Miss Wicks and Mrs. De Jesus

Please have your child in the playground ready to line up at:

8.30 Reception Y5 Y6

8.35 Y1 Y4

8.40 Y2 Y3

\*Gates open at 8.20am



End of the Day:

3.00 Reception Y5 Y6

3.05 Y1 Y4

3.10 Y2 Y3

Thank you