

# 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)



## Y1-Y6 OPEN AFTERNOON

The school was buzzing on the 13th. There was a lovely atmosphere in every classroom. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who were able to pop in - the children really appreciate it, as do you, judging by your comments. Here is a selection -

*"What a fantastic lesson and what a privilege to be part of it."*

*"It is important to learn how kids learn."*

*"It was an amazing experience to sit and feel how our children feel in their classrooms."*

*"Being able to see the children in their learning environment is a treat."*

*"Very interactive class. Lovely to see all the children excitedly answering questions."*

*"Wonderful teaching in a practical way so every child understands."*

This final quote captures the afternoon perfectly:

***"Great Event, Great teachers, Happy Environment"***



## CROSS COUNTRY 2024

27 intrepid runners represented North in the Colchester Primary Schools cross country event held at The Northern Gateway and organised by the Blackwater Sports Partnership. Y3 and Y4 ran 100m and Y5 and Y6 ran 1500m. About 100 children competed in each race and there were 8 races in total. Well done to all who took part with special mention to Finlay who won the Y4 boys race with his team mates Auden (4th) and Toby (22nd) providing excellent back up. Finlay will now go forward to the County Finals in April.

Huge thanks to the many parents who supported this event.

Pictured left—the Y3 team before and the Y6 team after their races. Picture right, Finlay proudly wearing his winner's medal





**Y4s Lantern Parade**  
Well done and thank you to all the children and staff - it was  
**A Magical Experience**



It was lovely to see so many families along the High St. waving and cheering. A joyful evening.

**Dates for your Diary**

Wed 20th November	Reception parents consultation evening
Wed 27th November	Parents Meeting - applications for September 2025
Friday 29th Nov	NSA Christmas Bazaar
Saturday Dec 7th	Christmas Party for Grown-Ups
<b>Thursday 12th December</b>	<b>Christmas Lunch (Christmas Jumper day)</b>
Fri Dec 20th	Last day of autumn term
Mon Jan 6th	First day of Spring Term
Thurs Feb 13th	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

**NSA NEWS**

**Friday 22nd November** is our traditional non-uniform day; in exchange for the children wearing their own clothes to school we ask that they make a donation to the Christmas Bazaar which is fast approaching. To ensure that we get an even spread of gifts, we kindly ask that children donate from the list below:

- A gift that may be used in the Secret Santa room
- Year 1 & Year 3:** Gifts for Women
- Year 2 & Year 5:** Gifts for Men
- To use at other stalls:
- Reception:** Activity books, writing and colouring supplies, or other stationery items for younger children.
- Year 4:** Chocolates
- Year 6:** Activity books, writing and colouring supplies, or other stationery items for older children.

Cake Stall  
**Nursery (and anybody who would like to donate):** home-baked cakes and treats to bring in on the morning of Friday 29<sup>th</sup>. [Please note – to comply with our nut free policy and food regulations, all donations should be nut-free and an ingredient list should be provided.] Thank you.

**Christmas Class Dates**

RECEPTION	Wed 4th 9.00am
Y2	Fri 6th 9.30am
NURSERY am	Wed 11th 10.45am
NURSERY pm	Wed 11th 2.30pm
Y1	Thursday 12th December 2.30pm
Y3&4	Tues 17th 9.00am
Y5&6 Evening	Wed 18th 6.30pm



Sylvia at Paddington Station