

NEWSLINE

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Issue 1



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



Osmington Bay
1st—5th September 2025



Year 6 Residential Trip 2025

As you can see from the photographs on P1, the Year 6s who went to Dorset had a fabulous time. With their camp high up on the Jurassic Coast, overlooking Portland Bill and with access to the National Sailing Centre, the children had an unforgettable experience, and were not phased by the stormy weather. Poppy's favourite activities were the giant swing ("it felt like a ghost going through me") and street surfing, using a street surfboard which is like a cross between a skateboard, a surfboard and a fish! Max was excited to try abseiling and he was not disappointed. He overcame his fear of heights, climbed up the tower, got strapped into the harness and bounced down the wall. Verna said the opportunity to do adventurous activities built her trust in others and confidence in herself. The Year 6s recommend all Year 5s go next year.

A huge thank you to Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Walker, Mr. Armitage and Miss Batchelor who made the experience so enjoyable for all the children. The Year 5 children and their parents attended a meeting on the 9th to get on board for September 2026. And to all parents of younger children, start saving now. As Joseph, said, "It is worth every penny!"

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 11th September 9.00am	Year 1 Parents Meeting
Friday 12th September 2.30pm	Year 3 Parents Meeting
Monday 15th September	Y6 Mythical Beasts
Tuesday 16th September	Y3 Mythical Beasts
Wednesday 17th September	Y5 Mythical Beasts
Wednesday 17th September 8.45am	Reception Meeting - Phonics
Thursday 18th September	Y4 Mythical Beasts
Thursday 18th September 9.00am	Year 2 Parents Meeting
Thursday 18th September	Year 5 start swimming lessons
Sunday 21st September	Heritage Open Day
Friday 24th October	Last day of half term
Tuesday 4th November	Return to school
Friday 19th December	Last day of school term
Monday 5th January 2026	Return to School

More dates to follow -
NSA events, Christmas!

Heritage Open Day

Sunday 21st September

11.30am - 2.30pm

If you would like to learn more about the history of the school please do drop in on the 21st. There will be displays of documents, photos and artefacts celebrating our special history as the oldest state primary school in Colchester.

From little acorns...

The teachers have given their classes names, based on the theme of trees. Here is the full list for your reference.

Class Names

Nursery	Miss Suttwood & Mrs. Hooker
Acorns	Mrs. Arnold & Mrs. Neal
Conkers	Mrs. Richards & Mrs. Watson
Elm	Miss Wicks
Hazel	Mrs. Ward & Mrs Burgess
Beech	Mrs . Spalding & Mrs. Olley
Sycamore	Miss Jacobs
Maple	Miss Moroz
Holly	Mrs. Roberts & Mrs. Harrison
Ash	Mrs. Nicholls & Mrs. Harrison
Rowan	Mrs. Skinner
Willow	Mrs. Marshall & Mrs. Clarke
Silver Birch	Mr. Metcalfe & Mr. Armitage
Oak	Miss Batchelor
Horse Chest-nut	Mrs. Miller