

North Ealing News



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‘At North Ealing Primary we inspire and nurture all our children to become aspirational, lifelong learners through an inclusive, ambitious and engaging curriculum.’

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“Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only be achieved by understanding.” – [Albert Einstein](#)

Information

Dear Parents and Carers

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It has really felt like the true NEPS this week, and last, as we have seen all the children settled back into school life and particularly immersed with their learning in each classroom. Examples of this range from children in Year 1 reciting their new core text ‘Knuffle Bunny’ in order to prepare their story maps and begin to sequence sentences to Year 6 who have been writing a dialogue between two characters from the short and beautiful film ‘The Piano’. The Power Maths lessons are in full flow and the children are enjoying the fast pace and the use of plenty of apparatus to support their learning.

Assemblies this week have focussed on International Peace day and the children have really enjoyed sharing ‘An Anty-War story ‘ by Tony Ross, take a look.

Last week the children had the first of their curriculum assemblies - reminding them of our curriculum principles and how we have planned for a broad, coherent and connected curriculum. There will be a virtual talk on the curriculum and safeguarding for parents and carers at 4:30 next Wednesday 29th September. Please tune in!

Today our curriculum assembly was about the intent and implementation of our Geography curriculum and how it focuses on the awe and wonder of our local area - encouraging children to become 'every day geographers'.

Music at NEPS:

Once again we are singing and playing! Our Main Choir is now full for this term with over 50 pupils from Years 3-6 practising songs in Pop, Hip-Hop and traditional styles beautifully.

Our Orchestra is currently small but made an excellent start practising 'Sword Dance' and 'Doodle-Dots'.

Generous donations from the PTA have enabled us to purchase some high quality instruments and resources that ALL can share in.

Finally, the school has purchased a subscription to 'Sing Up' which allows access to songs, backing tracks and lyrics for ALL members of staff to use across all areas of the curriculum.

School trips

We were so excited for Year 5MT as they were able to go on their first trip to the Science Museum to enhance their work on Forces. The children travelled on the tube and on arrival visited different areas of the museum including The Wonder Lab and the Space gallery. They demonstrated the school's learning values by being respectful, responsible and very well behaved throughout the trip. 5R and 5A are there today and have had a great day so far!

Boys football

We are so proud of the boys football team who attended the Willow Tree competition at William Perkins school this morning and came in 2nd place. They played 6 matches winning against St Vincent's and Edward Bentham. Boys that scored were Darin, Rio, Edward, David and Romeo. Thanks to Mr Allen and Matteo's Mum who volunteered to accompany the children.

School councils

This week we have chosen our new school council. The children will have their first meeting on Monday 27th September - there are plenty of pressing issues to be getting on with.

Sports council

Sports council have also been chosen and have already had their first meeting! Their main priority will be gathering ideas for more activities in the playgrounds.

Meet the Teacher

Thanks to All the staff for running the very informative 'Meet the Teacher' sessions over the last two weeks. As usual there is also a range of further information on the school website. Also please do not hesitate to contact the school via email if you have any other queries or are unsure about anything at all.

Online Safety Information

National Online Safety - Parent/Carers App

Keeping our children safe! Please take a moment to download this app (it's free) to get expert advice . If the online world confuses you, this is the app to help us ALL keep up to date. We are ALL responsible for the safety of our child/ren online.

https://neg-production.s3-eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/file_download_repository/0904fda671be38dd80c1737891febede.pdf

Book Recommendations

A Series of Unfortunate Events, The Miserable Mill by Lemony Snicket.



This book is about the lives of the Baudelaire children who are being watched by a wicked man called Count Olaf. This book is rated as 5 stars by me! My favourite thing about the book is when Violet has an argument with Sandy, the receptionist - you will have to read it to find out why! I would recommend this book to anyone over the age of 8.

Cleo, 5R



Dear Teacher by Amy Husband is a good story to read because the main character writes a letter to the teacher about an adventure. He is a little bit cheeky because all the adventures are fake! I think he has a good imagination in his head. The pictures are very colorful and funny.

Kotomi, Year 2

Please can we remind all parents and carers to spend at least 10 minutes a day sharing books, encouraging your children to read and talking about different books. Please follow the link below for lots of tips and ideas to support everyone to read more with their children at home.

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/reading-tips/>

Rights Respecting

We are so proud to announce that over the Summer break we were awarded the prestigious UNICEF UK Gold Award. UNICEF is the world's leading organisation working for children and their rights. The Rights Respecting Schools Award is granted to schools that show commitment to promoting and realising children's rights and encouraging adults, children and young people to respect the rights of others in school. Gold is the highest accolade given by UNICEF UK and shows a deep and thorough commitment to children's rights at all levels of school life. There are over 500 schools across England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales that have received Gold. Well done to all children and staff involved. We are so proud of the achievement.

Signpost

Harvest and food for the Ealing foodbank

On Monday 4th October we will be celebrating the Harvest assembly here at NEPS. On that Monday we will ask parents to bring food donations for Ealing foodbank and drop them off outside the new hall. Please do not send in donations before that date. We will be sending reminders next week.

Bulb Planting

Every year we like each child at NEPS to plant a bulb in the school grounds. From next week we will have black tubs at the school gates and we ask for donations of flower bulbs to be put in the black tubs. Last year the spring time flowers were absolutely stunning and cheered us all up as winter ended. Thank you for your kind donations.

Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations will take place during the last week of the half term, week commencing 18th October. Further information will be circulated shortly.

Reporting Absences

Please can we remind you to report ALL absences to the school office by 8.30am. This can be done by calling the absence line 0208 997 2653 and leaving a message, texting using the Schoolcomms App or emailing admin@northealing.ealing.sch.uk . Please indicate your child/ren's name, class and full reason for absence. Stating they are 'unwell' is not sufficient. Many thanks for your cooperation in this.

Changes in Contact Details/Medical Conditions

Please remember to update the School Office with any changes in contact details and/or health needs or allergies your child may have.

Please ensure that the school has a valid number to contact you on during the day. If you are unable to access your mobile phone, please provide us with an alternative number in case of any emergencies.

PTA

Last night we held our AGM for 2021-22. It was heartwarming to see so many new faces in attendance at the meeting bringing fresh ideas and enthusiasm. We voted in a new committee and reviewed the initiatives planned for the year ahead. Please get involved and help the school raise much needed funds and meet people in the school community. New parents, if you have not

joined your class WhatsApp group yet, please email the PTA and we will connect you with your class rep. Email: northealingpta@gmail.com

Ealing Half Marathon

This Sunday the Parents & Teachers of NES who started training hard in May and are now ready to **run the Ealing Half Marathon**. To run and raise money for our school! We have a big goal and we are asking you to give us a big push, it will really help to make it over the finish line. Thank you for your support and please come and give us a cheer along the route. We are easy to spot in our yellow NES shirts.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/neshalf21>