# NORTHWOLD PRIMARY

**FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2026**

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Northwold Primary School, we promote a culture of vigilance by constantly teaching and reminding our children how to keep themselves safe. We teach them to speak out and tell them what to do if they come across a situation that makes them feel unsafe.

We regularly hold assemblies that teach our children about the different aspects of safeguarding, how to recognise inappropriate behaviour and what to do and who they can talk to if they are worried about something that is happening to them.

Safeguarding children is the action we take to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. Every single person who comes into contact with children and families has a role to play. All of our staff are trained on safeguarding if you want to discuss any concerns with them.

Keeping Children Safe in Education (2026) is statutory guidance setting out the statutory duties all schools and colleges must follow with regards to the care of children in their schools and colleges. Some of the different areas of this document include:

- Physical, emotional, sexual abuse and neglect
- Female genital mutilation
- Prevent strategy
- Online safety
- Child sexual exploitation
- Child on child abuse

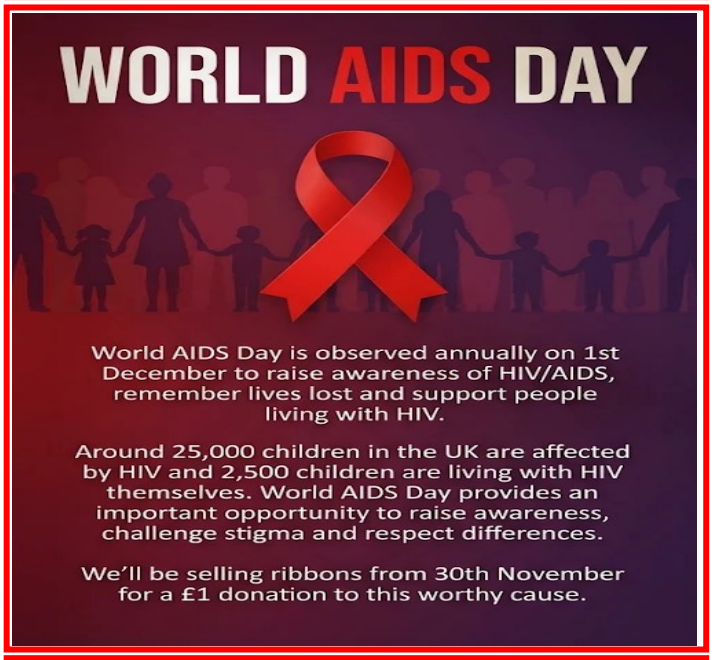
Find a link to the document HERE.

Next week we look forward to inviting our Y5 parents into school for our 'Bring you parent to school' morning. We hope to see you there between 9am-10am on Tuesday 17th November. Y2 'Bring you parent to school' will now be on Tuesday 24th November as they will be on a trip on the 17th November.

We have a number of trips on next week.

17th Y2 visit the Synagogue
19th Y3 visit the Temple
19th Y6 go see ABBA Voyage

Wishing you a wonderful week end,
Kind regards
Bronwen Chalmers
Headteacher






JOIN US FOR NEXT WEEKS

# COFFEE MORNING



## WEDNESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

## DEVELOPING PHONOLOGICAL SKILLS TO SUPPORT SPEECH AND LITERACY SKILLS

RUN BY SPECIALIST SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPIST

**OLIVIA MAYLAND**




THIS IS AN INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP SHOWING YOU HOW TO HAVE FUN WITH PHONOLOGY THROUGH GAMES

## WHO IS IT FOR?

- CHILDREN IN NURSERY OR RECEPTION (ALL WELCOME)
- CHILDREN IN KS1 AND KS2 WHO FIND SPEECH SOUNDS AND READING/SPELLINGS CHALLENGING





# Celebrating Anti-Bullying Week

🌟 **What an exciting Anti-Bullying Week!** 🌟

We've had a fantastic week celebrating kindness, respect and friendship! Our Pupil Voice Groups led inspiring class assemblies, and children enjoyed getting creative by making anti-bullying bracelets and badges.

The excitement continued with football matches between classes, with the winning team taking on staff and parents in a special match! ⚽

Throughout the week, everyone demonstrated amazing **teamwork, kindness and good sportsmanship**, reminding us that we are stronger when we stand together! 💙👏

**Choose Kindness, Always!** 💙

























## Diary Dates

**November**

17th Y2 visit Westminster Synagogue

17th Y5 Bring your parents to school morning 9:00am-10:00am

19th Y3 to Buddhapadipa Temple

19th Reception to Finsbury Park Mosque

20th Coffee Morning - Using appropriate online learning platforms - 9:00am-10:00am

20th Y2 Royal Ballet and Opera online event: Magic Flute

23rd Caught Reading Challenge

24th Guru Nanak's Birthday

24th Y2 Bring your parents to school morning 9:00am-10:00am

25th Everybody Dance: 'Alice's Wonderland' - Year 3

26th Everybody Make: 'Alice's Adventures' - Year 3

27th Nursery Coffee Morning

27th Year 2 and Year 5 Fire Brigade visit - onsite

**December**

3rd Parent Council Meeting 9:15am

3rd Community Carol Singing

3rd Arbor Spelling Bee - Interschool Championship

4th Parent Coffee Morning 9:00am - PREVENT

4th Interschool Sports Competition - Dodgeball

4th Free Dress day for Christmas Fayre - 'Bring a bottle' in return for non-uniform

4th Christmas Fayre—3:30-5:30pm

**Please check the calendar on our website**
**https://www.northwoldschool.com/**

## School Term dates 2026 -2027

**Autumn Term: (73 days)**

Wednesday 2nd September 2026 to Friday 18th December 2026

- Wednesday 2nd September 2026 INSET day
- Thursday 3rd September 2026 INSET day
- Friday 23rd October 2026 INSET day
- Half term holiday Monday 26th October 2026 to Friday 30th October 2026
- Christmas Holiday Monday 21st December 2026 to Friday 1st January 2027

**Spring Term: (54 days)**

Monday 4th January 2027 to Thursday 25th March 2027.

- Monday 4th January 2027 INSET day
- Half term holiday Monday 15th February 2027 to Friday 19th February 2027.
- Easter holiday Friday 26th March 2027 to Friday 9th April 2027.

**Summer Term: (68 days)**

Monday 12th April 2027 to Thursday 22nd July 2027

- Monday 12th April 2027 INSET day
- Half term holiday Monday 31st May 2027 to Friday 4th June 2027
- Summer holiday Friday 23rd July

**Public holidays**

- Friday 25th December 2026 (Christmas Day)
- Monday 28th December 2026 (Boxing Day)
- Friday 1st January 2027 (New Year's Day)
- Friday 26th March 2027 (Good Friday)
- Monday 29th March 2027 (Easter Monday)
- Monday 3rd May 2027
- Monday 31st May 2027
- Monday 30th August 2027

# Caught Being Kind

Please find below the names of the children in each year group who are recognised for their kindness this week.

**Congratulations!**

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|---|---|---|
| **Nursery** | **(Elm 1 & 2)**<br>Simren | |
| **Reception** | **(Maple)**<br>Destiny | |
| **Year 1** | **(Ash)**<br>Mayar | **(Sycamore)**<br>Nariko |
| **Year 2** | **(Redwood)**<br>Oscar | |
| **Year 3** | **(Pine)**<br>Aamina | |
| **Year 4** | **(Elder)**<br>Kiren | **(Teak)**<br>Israel |
| **Year 5** | **(Cedar)**<br>Sophia | |
| **Year 6** | **(Beech)**<br>Leena | **(Hazel)**<br>Frankie |

# What is on the menu next week?

## Northwold Primary School Menu – Week 1

| | Monday<br>MEAT FREE MONDAY | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Meat Choice** | Homemade Vegetable Pizza<br>(G, MK) | Chicken & Vegetable Lasagne (wholemeal)<br>(G, MK, MU) | Lamb Curry<br>(CE, MU) | Chicken Sausage with Gravy<br>(G, MK, SO, SU, CE, MU) | Cod Fish Fingers<br>(F, G) |
| **Vegetarian Choice** | Whole meal Pasta with Vegetables in Tomato Sauce<br>(G) | Lentil Wellington<br>(G, V) | Vegetable Chow Mein<br>(G, SO, V) | Cheese or Tuna Wrap with Salad<br>(G, MK, MU, F, E) | Jacket Potato with Cheese/Beans/Tuna<br>(MK, F) |
| **Alternative Choice** | Vegetable Pasty<br>(G, V, MK, MU) | Stuffed Peppers<br>(V) | Baked Salmon with Lemon Sauce<br>(F) | Red Kidney Bean & Vegetable Stew<br>(V) | Vegetable Samosa<br>(G, V) |
| **Sides** | Bread<br>Potato Wedges<br>(G, MK, E) | Bread<br>Diced Potatoes<br>(G, MK, E) | Homemade Bread<br>Brown Rice<br>(G, MK, E) | Bread<br>Mash Potatoes<br>(G, MK, E) | Homemade Bread<br>Oven Chips<br>(G, MK, E) |
| **Vegetables** | Mixed Vegetables<br>Cauliflower | Diced Carrot<br>Broccoli | Sweetcorn<br>Peas | Sliced Carrots<br>Green Beans | Baked Beans<br>Peas |
| **Dessert Choice** | Fruit Jelly<br>Plain yoghurt<br>Fresh Fruit<br>(MK) | Iced Sponge with Custard<br>Plain Yogurt<br>Fresh Fruit<br>(MK, G) | Fresh Fruit Salad<br>Fruit Yogurt<br>Fresh Fruit<br>(MK) | Cheese & Crackers<br>Fruit Yogurt<br>Fresh Fruit<br>(G, MK) | Ice Cream<br>Fruit Yogurt<br>Fresh Fruit<br>(MK) |
| **Dietary Information** | **Fresh salad served daily - All our meat is Halal**<br>V - Vegetarian<br>CE - contains Celery<br>G - contains Gluten<br>F - contains Fish<br>E - Egg<br>SO - contains Soya<br>MK - contains Milk<br>SU - contains Sulphur Dioxide<br>MU - contains Mustard | | | | |

## Class Attendance W/E 06/11/2026

Well done to **Year 2 Redwood** with the highest attendance last week. They had 99.6**%** attendance.

| Class | Attendance % |
|---|---|
| N Elm | 91.7% |
| RC Maple | 91.6% |
| Y1 Ash | 97.3% |
| Y1 Sycamore | 95.5% |
| Y2 Redwood | 99.6% |
| Y3 Pine | 93.6% |
| Y4 Elder | 91.1% |
| Y4 Teak | 96.6% |
| Y5 Cedar | 98.7% |
| Y6 Beech | 93.4% |
| Y6 Hazel | 91.7% |
| **Grand Total** | **94.8%** |

**THE CLASS WITH THE HIGHEST ATTENDANCE WILL WIN A PIZZA PARTY AT THE END OF THE TERM!**



SCHOLASTIC Book Clubs

**Our new Scholastic Book Club is up and running!**

**Go to:**

**https://clubs.scholastic.co.uk/C-29Q2XS1W**

**to browse the latest books and order online. For every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards.**

**Please place your order online by January 8th, 2027.**

my child at school.com

## MyChildAtSchool (MCAS) App

MCAS is our online portal and app used to monitor your child.

If you require assistance with setting up or using the app, please visit the MCAS Support Page using the link below:

https://docs.bromcom.com/article-categories/for-parents/

The support page includes guidance on logging in, resetting passwords, and accessing key features. If you continue to experience difficulties, please contact the school office for further assistance.

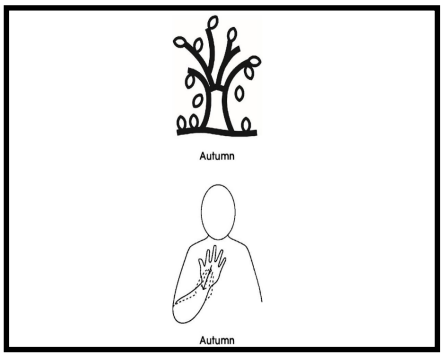


# SEND CORNER

## Sign of the Week

Learning a new sign each week helps everyone in our setting become more confident in using Makaton, making our environment more inclusive and supportive for all children.

If you need anymore information, please feel free to contact.




You Are Not Alone

### You Are Not Alone Drop-in

**Every 1st Tuesday of the month - 7.00pm - 8.30pm**

**A free monthly online drop-in for parents & carers**



The **You Are Not Alone** community is a friendly and safe space run by Erik & Sally Wagter where you can come and learn about autism & PDA, ask questions, connect with like-minded people or simply listen and learn from other people's conversations.

In this community we talk about all sorts of things such as:

- helping your child regulate their emotions & feelings (meltdowns etc)
- understanding autism and PDA
- navigating school and EHCPs
- Supporting your child with friendships
- understanding and managing challenging behaviour
- managing sensory needs
- developing a positive relationship with your child (family dynamics)
- exploring EOTAS or home education
- looking after your wellbeing
- and so much more



**Here's what parents have said:**

*' My husband Jamie was saying that in the last few sessions, he has learned **so much more about autism and PDA** than he has over the past year - Jo (parent)*

*'Thank you so much for the group this evening. I can't tell you how grateful I feel and I **really do feel less alone** and more validated. My hope is back' - Louise (parent*

You can request the **Zoom link** on our website

https://youarenotalone.community or you can send an email to

team@youarenotalone.community

AUTISM FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE
YOU ARE NOT ALONE

# Autism Support for Parents & Carers

## Autism Coffee Mornings—Hackney Ark

Run by Occupational Therapy and Clinical Psychology teams.

- Meet other parents and carers
- Share experiences in a supportive space
- Speak directly with clinicians
- Online and face-to-face sessions available

## National Autistic Society (NAS)

Trusted information and guidance for parents, young people and schools.

- Education and EHCP advice
- Local support information
- www.autism.org.uk

## Ambitious about Autism—Talking Tuesdays

Free webinar series for parents and carers.

- Practical advice
- Expert guidance
- Opportunities to ask questions

ambitiousaboutautism.org.uk (search: Talking Tuesdays)

**You are not alone—support and community are available.**

## Safeguarding Policy

Keeping Our Community Safe: We are committed to providing a safe, welcoming space for all our families. To reflect the latest best practices, we have launched an updated Safeguarding Policy.

You can read the full policy here. If you have any safeguarding concerns, please speak to Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr. Acharya; and Deputy DSLs: Ms. Chalmers and Mr. Williams.

Thank you for partnering with us to keep our children safe.