

Weekly News – 6th October 2023

A message from Mrs Farren...

We are proud to be a reading school- when we read, we open up a whole new world; a world of adventure; a world of fun; a world of knowledge. As Dr Seuss said, *'The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.'* Next week, Norton children will be visiting the Literacy Festival in Cheltenham. We hope this inspires their love of reading.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Governor News...

We have 2 Parent Governor vacancies, please see the letter available on the school website (link below) or paper copies available from the office. https://nortonprimary.eschools.co.uk/cms_manage/edit_page/666275

ATTENDANCE TO DATE
96.73%

Reception

In Reception this week we have had lots of fun playing with Playdoh and dancing to dough disco; strengthening our finger muscles ready for writing. We have also enjoyed big scale drawing to music, matching socks and teddy bears, sorting objects in Maths, Cosmic yoga, more obstacle courses blow painting and phonics. What a brilliant week!

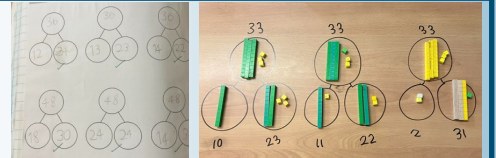


Year 1

In Geography this week, the Year 1 children were looking at maps and their symbols. They did a fantastic job of matching the different symbols to their pictures and loved looking at maps of the local area.



Year 2 In our place value work in Year 2 we have been partitioning numbers. Building on our learning from last week where we partitioned numbers in to tens and ones, we explored different ways of partitioning the same amount.



Year 3 This week in Year 3 we have made edible igneous rocks. These rocks are formed when minerals combine in heat, so we combined sweets with chocolate and melted them together to create a new -delicious- rock.



We also made replica Stone Age paintbrushes using natural materials (and masking tape) which would have been used to paint prehistoric animals on areas of the cave that could not be reached.

Year 4

In science, we planned and set up an investigation into the effects different drinks have on our teeth. We used clean eggshells to represent teeth, placed them into measuring cups and poured different liquids (water, squash, lemonade, orange juice and milk) on top. We made predictions about what we think the egg shells will look like in a few weeks time.



In the **Cross Country club** this week, Mr Spencer and I were very proud of all the children who put in such grit and determination when running in the pouring rain. Seeing them all support and encourage one another made us both very extremely proud! The parents did a fantastic job too!



Strive

Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.

Isalah 40:31

Think

How much better to get wisdom than gold.

Proverbs, Chapter 16:16

Act

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity.

Psalm 133: 1

Respect

Blessed are those who are hungry for justice. They will be filled.

Matthew's gospel, chapter 5



I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life.

John 8:12

Year 5

In Year 5 this week we have been designing our own graffiti tags, taking inspiration from Banksy. We have explored using a range of colours and are using our evaluations to generate our final design plans next week!



Upcoming important dates...

27th October—Non school uniform (£1 donation for FONS)

Year 6

In Art this week, the children have created self portraits in the style of Frida Kahlo. We worked hard to make sure we had the correct proportions of our facial features before making our work vibrant and eye-catching with Central American inspired colours.

The work below belongs to Rufus Hack, Aleyah Gorman and Ally Fury



Please remember...

- >Name your child's school uniform.
- >return your child's off-site visit forms asap
- >return your Flu immunisation forms by Thursday

Next week's diary...

9th Oct 23	The School Day	After School	Lunch Menu
Monday	Cheltenham Literature Festival—Infants and Y5 & Y6	Book Club Cross Country Times Table Rock Stars	Wholemeal Vegetable Pasta Bake Spanish Omelette Jacket Potato & tuna (or cheese)
Tuesday	Cheltenham Literature Festival—Y3 & Y4	Gardening Club	Sausage Pilau Rice with Five Beans Jacket Potato & baked beans
Wednesday		KS1 Football Love our school Fitness	Roast Turkey Vegetable Wellington Jacket Potato & cheese
Thursday	Y5 Swimming	KS2 Football Mindfulness Cooking	Chicken Korma Cheese & Tomato Pinwheel Jacket Potato & tuna (or cheese)
Friday	Flu Immunisations 2:40pm Sharing Assembly		Fish Fingers Beetroot Burger Jacket Potato & baked beans