

NLS Newsletter

Autumn term 20.09.2024



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Diary Dates 2024/2025

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Autumn Term 2024- Tuesday 3rd September-Friday 20th DecemberHalf term - 28th Oct-1st NovInset days Monday 2nd September & Monday 4th NovemberSpring Term 2025- Monday 6th January-Friday 4th AprilHalf term - Monday 17th-Friday 21st FebruarySummer Term 2025- Tuesday 22nd April-Monday 21st JulyBank holiday Monday 5th MayHalf term- Monday 26th-Friday 30th MayInset days Monday 23rd May, Monday 21st July & Tuesday 22nd July





Flu vaccinations 26th November 2024 Individual/sibling photos 29th November 2024

Cut off dates for booking meals via ParentPay

	Book by	For W/C
Menu week 1	12-Sep	23-Sep
Menu week 2	19-Sep	30-Sep
Menu week 3	26-Sep	07-Oct

Menu week 1	03-Oct	14-Oct
Menu week 2	10-Oct	21-Oct
Menu week 3	17-Oct	28-Oct

Menu week 1	24-Oct	04-Nov
Menu week 2	31-Oct	11-Nov
Menu week 3	07-Nov	18-Nov

Menu week 1	14-Nov	25-Nov
Menu week 2	21-Nov	02-Dec
Menu week 3	28-Nov	09-Dec

Please note when ordering meals for your child: <u>**DO NOT**</u> book a trips packed lunch. This is only for schools who offer a Chartwells packed lunch for day trips and does not mean that your child will get a packed lunch provided at school.



Every week we celebrate attendance.



The class with the best attendance this week is 6K

They had an amazing 99.3% attendance for this week!

Clubs-Yrs 6 residential

Please note that due to the year 6 residential the following clubs will not take place next week: Yr6 netball & social media club. They will continue as usual the week after. Thank you

Keep North Lancing School Lovely- volunteers needed!

Reminder that we would like to start up a little volunteer group to help keep our lovely school looking lovely! As such we are looking to have a blitz of the grounds just once a month on the last Friday of each month to litter pick, sweep and keep the flower beds neat and tidy. It would run from 3:10pm for just 45 minutes. We would welcome parents and children, along with grandparents and any other eager family members- anyone who would like to make a real difference and help us keep our wonderful school grounds looking the best it can. Please bring gloves and brooms/litter pickers (if you have them) along with lots of enthusiasm! If you (or any other family members) would like to help, please click on the following link to let us know names: https://forms.gle/n4QuKgc3uymo9nGv6

The first session will take place on Friday 27th September at 3:10pm, please meet Mrs Fowler at the reception picket fence. Thank you so much!

Reception families- Studybugs reminder

This is a reminder to all our lovely new reception families. Please sign up to the Studybugs app. We use this system for reporting your child's absence from school due to illness etc and for all correspondence between the school and parents.

The app allows you to register your child's absence directly onto our attendance system and informs us immediately that your child is away and why, without any cost to you. It can be found at google play, on the app store or by searching google for 'studybugs'.

We also use this system for messaging parents including newsletters, announcements, and information about club cancellations, absence reports and more. Messages will be sent via the Studybugs mobile app. Via the app you'll be able to switch notifications on or off according to the category of the message. You'll also be able to send instant messages to the school at no charge.

Dropping off children at the Twitten entrance

We have received reports of parents stopping their cars in the road at the junction of Mill Road and Manor Road to let their children out at the bottom of the Twitten entrance. This obviously has an effect on the flow of traffic and can be extremely dangerous for children crossing, so please do not do this!

Violin taster sessions

We are pleased to let you know that we will soon be able to offer violin lessons at school.

Amy Price, a visiting specialist violin teacher (West Sussex Music), will be able to offer Violin lessons on Fridays, during the school day.

Initially, Amy Price will offer some free violin taster sessions on a first come first served basis. - These taster sessions will take place early in October, most likely on the 4th and 11th October. Violin lessons are probably most suitable for children in Years 2 -6, and although older children will be given priority, please do not hesitate to contact Amy Price if you have any questions regarding your child.

After a taster session, if parents/ carers make the decision to book violin lessons for their child, these can be booked via the West Sussex Music Service website.

Please contact Amy Price directly, via her email address: amy.price@westsussex.music.co.uk to ask a question or request a violin taster session for your child. When sending your message to Amy Price, please give your child's full name, school name, year group and class name, and a contact number if you wish her to contact you by phone.

amy.price@westsussexmusic.co.uk

Below, is some more helpful information from Amy Price regarding lessons, costs and more:

• Lessons - Weekly half hour small group lessons usually take place during school hours. The cost for group lessons is £9.50 per lesson, payable either monthly or termly (11 lessons). Many children enjoy learning in groups with their friends and tuition in small groups provides a fun and effective way for children to learn. If parents/carers would prefer to consider individual lessons, they can view more information on our website - Music lessons - West Sussex Music; alternatively, I invite parents/carers to get in touch and I will be delighted to discuss in more detail.

• How to apply? - Apply using the online form: <u>www.westsussexmusic.co.uk/apply</u>

• Instrument hire - Instruments can be hired or bought from local music shops and online retailers and West Sussex Music also runs a low cost hire scheme which you can opt into during the application process. The cost is £35.00 per term for instrument hire during the first year of learning.

• Help with cost - West Sussex Music Trust is committed to enabling all young people access to high quality music education. If finances might prevent a child from taking up music lessons we have a Bursary Fund to help with of the cost of lessons. For more information regarding 100% and 50% Bursary eligibility, please visit www.westsussexmusic.co.uk/bursary

<u>Yr 5 walk</u>

Year 5 walked up the Downs today with staff. They had a wonderful time exploring in the sunshine and both classes behaved impeccably.

Donations plea!

Our reception children over the years have played with their baby buggies so much that they are on their last legs now. If anyone has decent baby buggies that they are happy to donate then our Early Years children would be most appreciative! We are also after donations of unwanted blankets, pillows or cushions for classroom quiet areas. Thank you so much.

PTA AGM

The PTA are holding their Annual General Meeting on Tues 24th Sept at 7pm in the school studio. All parents are welcome to come along; we would love to see you there!

Communication guide

Please see below for our communication guide as discussed in the year group meetings. We do hope that you will find it useful if you need to reach us.

Communication Guide		
Message, Queries, Concerns	Person to contact and method to use	
If your child is absent from school	Please notify the school office each day of absence by 9.00 am either by Studybugs or by telephone (where you can leave a message) or in person. Please note that this notification does not guarantee that absences will be authorised.	
If you have a quick message for your child's teacher about collection, concerns, home learning	Talk to your child's teacher after the class has been dismissed. Urgent messages may be left at the school office.	
If you have a general enquiry or question	Check the school website, email the office or ask at the school office.	
If you would like to talk about your child's learning/ progress	Make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher via the school office (telephone, Studybugs or email)	
If you are concerned about social behaviours or bullying	Make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher via the school office (telephone, Studybugs or email) If, following your discussion you would like more information, or a concern continues, make an appointment via the office to meet with a member of the leadership team.	
If you would like to discuss something related to your child's teacher	Make an appointment to meet with the leadership via the school office (telephone, Studybugs or email)	
If you would like to discuss your child's special educational needs	Make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher via the school office. If, following your discussion they recommend involvement from the SEND Team, make an appointment via the school office	
If you have a query out about after school clubs	Check the school website, or contact the office (telephone, <u>StudyBugs</u> , email or in person)	
If you have a query about Breakfast club	The breakfast club (Breakfast Buddies) is run externally by Lorna Taylor. Contact Lorna via email at: <u>hellobreakfastbuddies@gmail.com</u>	
If you have a query about 'Stay and Play' after school child care	Contact the Stay and Play team via the school office (telephone, StudyBuss, email or in person)	
If you have an enquiry about finance	Check the school website, or contact the office (telephone, <u>StudyBugs</u> , email or in person)	
If you have a school lunch enquiry	For general enquiries or support with meal ordering, please contact Chartwells at <u>westsussex@chartwells.co.uk</u> or call (term time only) 01243 836130.	
If you wanted to check if the school is open	Please check the school website, <u>StudyBugs</u> or Email	

If having followed the steps above, your question or concern remains unresolved, please make an appointment with the school office to meet with an Assistant Headteacher or the Headteacher.

If you would like to contact the Governing Body, they may be contacted directly, in writing, via the school office. All correspondence must be sealed and addressed to the Chair of the Governing Body, Mrs Jo Hall.

Registration

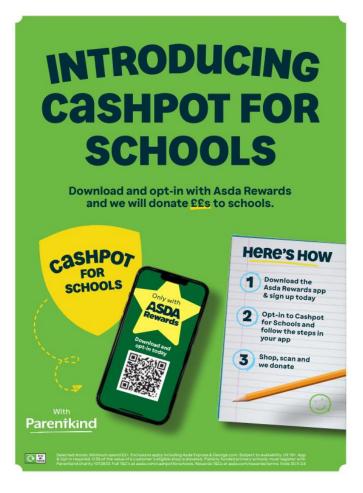
Thank you for being prompt in the mornings and adapting to the new timings. Gentle reminder that registration closes at 8:45 so please ensure that children are in class ready to learn at this time. Thank you.

Asda Rewards App- Cashpot for schools

Calling all parents/carers/grandparents/extended family friends-we need your support!

Please download Asda Rewards app- it is free to sign up and every time someone nominates North Lancing School, the school receives £1!

Then if you shop, a percentage of the cost goes back to our school. This great scheme has already raised £183.52 so don't delay!



Swimming fees reminder

Gentle reminder that swimming fees for years 1-6 should now be paid. Please pay via ParentPay if you have not already done so. Thank you

Solar Panels

Our solar panels are being removed and refurbished with works starting in the next few weeks. As such scaffolding will be going up this weekend. This should not affect any entrances or pathways but please do be aware and take care around the scaffolding. It is a long-term project but we are hopeful that it will be completed before Christmas.

Pupil Achievements

Luna C received a certificate and medal for completing the Library Summer Reading Challenge.

Nuala O received a certificate and medal for completing the Library Summer Reading Challenge.

Albie E passed his green belt with white stripe in Martial Arts.

Kitty C received a certificate and medal for completing the Library Summer Reading Challenge, a Swim England Achievement certificate and was also a Keeper for the Day and Drusillas Zoo.

Hot Chocolate Superstars

Alicia B, Jasper J, Kya-Rose N, Georgie J, Etta T, Penny D, Katie S, Harry G, Hugo Ms, Jack G, Ripley H, Emily B, Lydia D, Chiwetelu I, Aaliyah W, Ava L, Stanley G, Theo B, Cy N, Keira I.

Headteacher's Awards

Sonny D, Max N, Jamie H, Hadleigh Y, Tommy T, Luna R, Olivia A, Jesse E, Leon P, Rocky P, Lexi D, Patrick G, Thea T, Elliot Dale, Aria R, Bentley W, Eevie P, Oakley S, Ellis I, Lydia D, James G, Sienna M, Darcey G, Phoebe C, Kai H, Harry G, Thomas S, Alfie T, Harvey W, Lyra B, Carter C.

