Children in Year 6: Please remember that the closing date for Year 7 Secondary School applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

"LCC has asked us to remind you of the upcoming application deadline of 31st October 2022 for your Year 6 children who will be starting Year 7 in Secondary school in September 2023. Meeting this deadline can maximise your child's chances of securing a school of preference."

**The best**: Mrs Jones and I had the honour of observing teaching for learning this week in school. We visited 1Morris, 3Roscoe, 3Archer and The Oasis as a starter. This is the best part of our job, seeing children in classes, the engagement between pupil and teacher / TA and children so full of enthusiasm. It is a joy to see knowledge being explored. Mrs Lightfoot and I also completed a whole school Learning Walk to capture learning in every part of our School. **TOGETHER** we can ensure **All learners**, are all valued and can all achieve...all the time.



98+ Green 95%-97%
Amber 94% and below Red

# The year so far... Sep-Now ATTENDANCE

# Reception Gruffalo 90.6% Reception Stickman 94.6% Year 1 Morris 95.1% Year 1 Sharman 95.5% Year 2 Churchill 95.3% Year 2 Windsor 97.3%

Year 3 Archer 94.6% Year 3 Roscoe 93.7% Year 4 Lennon 94.7% 92.6% Year 4 McCartnev Year 5 Hawking 92.3% 92.7% Year 5 Turing Year 6 Anning 92.6% Year 6 Darwin 93.1%

### Notes

Our attendance is from September to 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022. Every day really does count. It is a TEAM effort. Thank you for those who are determined to go for 98% - 100%!

This week's **HOUSE WINNER** 

Malala

Year so far: Congratulations! Attendance:

**3Archer** 

Overall week:

96.2%



Arrive on time FOR ten to nine. It's the smart-way and the North-way to start!

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# NEWSLETTER

21st October 2022

### Notes from the Headteacher's Study



Half Term

This week has been another valuable week, where there was the opportunity for parents and carers to come into school and speak with class teachers about the first half term at Northway. I hope your conversations were useful. There will be lots more opportunities during the year to engage both face to face and by celebrating work on SeeSaw. It was

also a delight to speak personally to parents over the two days.

Year 5 have been in Colomendy this week. I went to visit them yesterday and they were having an amazing time, meeting the challenge as new adventurous activities were presented to them. I was very disappointed not to be able to spend the three days with them at Colomendy but following my recent surgery it was not possible. Next time...! It was so powerful to see different children show teamwork and suddenly become 'leaders' encouraging their peers to reach out of their comfort zone and try new things. There will be so many positive tales once they arrive back later today. **Thank you Team Colomendy**.

At Northway it was staff INSET today. Staff are considering how to sharpen feedback from teacher to pupil and how to remove barriers that inhibit feedback from learners in lessons. We are currently working on a two-year learning imperative project with international educational speaker and author, Mark Burns. It was great to welcome him back into Northway to lead our second training year. If you have heard about our 'I do, We do, You do' approach, this is the next element that we are sharpening.

I hope you have a great weekend and refreshing half term break together. Enjoy the autumnal changes and hopefully some fresh air,

Mr Hargreaves

# Message from LCC:

Liverpool City Council has received a Household Support Fund from DwP which will run until 31st March 2023. It has been agreed that LCC will use some of this grant to purchase supermarket vouchers to support parents with food. There will be an E-voucher distributed to FSM parents who are eligible for FSM by schools during November and then additional Winter Food Support vouchers in December and February. The vouchers will try to coincide with school holidays but are NOT part of any previous schemes.

The vouchers amounts are:

£15 per child in November £30 per child in December £15 per child in February.

There is not a definite date for distribution, but schools will be in touch to let you know when they are available. Liverpool City Council

# One of those important messages:

Half term is a perfect time to check your child's hair thoroughly for any unwelcomed visitors. Checking for headlice (nits) is something I am certain you will do regularly and keeps children safe and less irritable. Chemists have great resources to help keep unwelcome visitors away and often this treatment can be given free of charge. <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/</a>

### Covid updates... we do have some!

Public Health Liverpool has informed us:

Children who test positive for Covid should also stay off school for 3 full days if they have a positive test. They can also return to school after 3 days if they are well enough and do not have a temperature.

Children and staff who are unwell and have a temperature should also stay at home and return when the temperature goes, and they are well enough.

Whilst this is no longer a legal requirement, it is still the public health guidance.

### Eat to Meet:

Dear Parent or Guardian

The October "Eat to Meet" Half Term programme starts on the 24<sup>th</sup> October and there are lots of great activities happening over the school holidays including a few Halloween themed days. Children and young people will be able to access hundreds of activities throughout the October holidays including specific provision available for children with SEND or additional needs, at no cost. There's a great range of activities across the city including boxing, football, music, dance, cycling, cooking, discos, films, bowling, arts and crafts, drama, a make up course, trips out and much more! Every day there will be a range of fabulous meals available with many schemes holding family events as well.

To find out where your nearest scheme and all the details of what is on click on this link <a href="https://www.merseyplay.com/october-half-term-activities-food/">https://www.merseyplay.com/october-half-term-activities-food/</a> or visit www.Merseyplay.com and click on the October half term activities link.

When you have chosen the activity/scheme you will need to contact that organisation to book a place. Each organisation will have either a telephone number, email address or online booking system. If your child has any additional needs or dietary requirements then please discuss this with the organisation when you book. There is no central booking system so please read the details of the programmes on the website and contact the providers directly.

Liverpool City Council is working with the local schools, voluntary and community organisations, and childcare providers to provide the Half Term Activity programme.

Regards Sally Dobbing
Sally Dobbing - HAF Project Manager

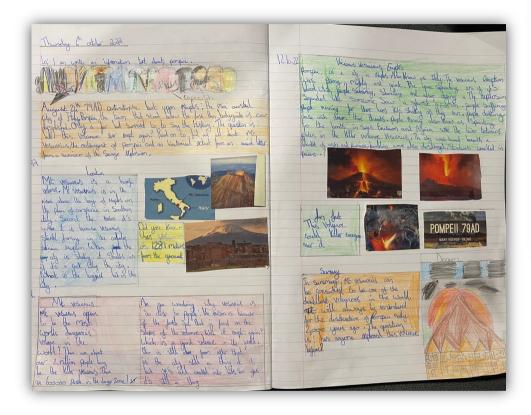
# Northway Office:



Miss Sultan and Mrs Clay are our first point of contact at Northway. Mrs Clay has a 'Mobile Office' on the main gate each morning for messages or quick questions. Otherwise you are welcome to pop in or telephone School. If you ring and staff are unavailable, please leave a message and we will get back to you. The telephone is answered during office hours which close at 4pm. Thank you.

### Children's work:

I love children coming to share their work with me and having that feeling of success. Some children from Year 4 came to share their reports on Vesuvius erupting and it was fantastic discussing their work with them.

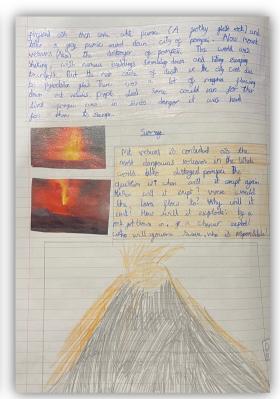


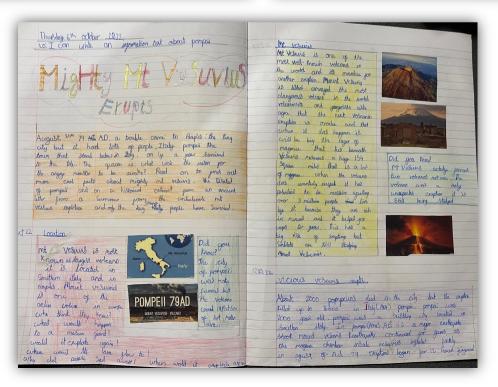
### Children's work:

Jack C in Year 6 wrote such a deep and emotional poem to describe **grief**. Jack used the imagery of a roller coaster and feelings constantly 'looping'. It was amazing! Grief is something very difficult to understand and Jack's poem really helped. It ended with hope for the future.

Mrs Donnelly our Co-Chair of Governors was in my Office when Jack came to share his work, so she also enjoyed reading his poem.







### Coffee and Chat Cafe:

We would like to invite all parents to 'Coffee and Chat' a Café style informal event that will take place (mostly) on the last Thursday of each month.

Come to the Hall for half an hour and share a tea / coffee and chat with other parents and different members of staff. After an initial chat, we will present a 10 minute TED style talk on a different theme each month. The event will be very informal and hopefully informative too! Dates are found on the dates calendar on the first page.

### Together - makes all the difference

### Who to speak to: SEND:

If you wish to speak to a member of staff regarding Special Educational Needs, please telephone the School Office or call in and we can arrange an appointment for you.

For SEND Learning Needs, Mr Bayliss (SENDCo) or Miss Grace (Dep SENDCo in training) will be very happy to speak to you.

For Social, Emotion or Mental Health / Wellbeing Needs (SEMH), both Mrs Jones and Mrs Cawley are available.

At Northway we have worked hard to develop our SEND provision and develop both a Learners Who Need More Focus Group, LWNM Corridor and Oasis Learning Suite where intervention and therapy rooms are available, alongside a bank of resources. We want to work strongly in partnership with parents.

# Who to speak to: Safeguarding:

Mrs Lightfoot is our Designated Safeguarding Lead. She is available Mon-Thurs if you have any concerns or wish to speak to her. Mrs Delaney is our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead who is also available. Mr Hargreaves and Mrs Jones are also trained DSLs.

### Who to speak to: Attendance:

Any questions regarding Attendance, Miss Sultan will be able to answer them.

Admissions: Do you know any families who are thinking of schools for September 2022 or who have just moved into the area and want a great school? We would love to show them around and welcome them to Northway.

Do you know of any children who want a Nursery place NOW? Please ask them to contact school and arrange a visit.

Each School has a PAN - a Published Admissions Number. Northway is a two-form entry school, and we are able to take 60 children in each year group. Every place in School counts, as having a full School allows us to access our full funding potential, which in turn allows us to be really ambitious in developing our learning resources, site and staff; all benefitting pupils.

We have almost reached our PAN, after having had the biggest Reception intake this year and so many children moving to Northway as in-year transfers. This is fantastic! Can we fill those final few places?

# Who to speak to continued...

Any questions regarding **Breakfast Club**, **after-school enrichment clubs or dates / events** please speak to Mrs Clay. For After School Club (wrap around care) please speak to Miss Sultan.

## Class Teacher / Key Stage Leads:

Beginning with the class teacher or the specific teacher related to your question will ensure you get the answer you need in the quickest time possible. If you need further assistance, there is then a route you can progress along.

If you wish to speak to a member of the Leadership Team regarding your child:

EYFS – Mrs Delaney (Currently Ms Rimmer)

Years 1 / Year 2 – Mrs Jones (Miss Daws) Year 3 / Year 4 – Mrs Reilly (Mon/Tues)

Year 5 / Year 6 – Mr Taylor (Mon/Tues) Year 3 / Year 4 / Year 5 / Year 6 - Mrs McNeil (Wed/Thurs/Fri)