

Northway PTA

# 1, 2, 3, 4, WE DECLARE A COIN WAR

ending December 13

Each class has its own jar for collecting spare coins

**EVERY FRIDAY**  
Each class reports their running total to the office

**EVERY MONDAY**  
Rankings are announced at school, via newsletter and on Facebook and Twitter

The class that collects the most at the end of war wins a...

## PIZZA PARTY!

So far 2Churchill are in the lead with the Coin War (closely followed by 2Windsor). Next week is the final week ... **will Year 2 retain the tile and win the Pizza Party or will another class take the Margarita?**



**How amazing...** our PTFA Christmas Fayre raised **£2170 profit**. Thank you everyone who gave their energy and time to make this happen.

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HEADTEACHER  
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# NEWSLETTER

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## Year 4 and 'A Christmas Carol'

**What an amazing occasion to be a part of!** Year 4 have been working so hard since September with Director of Choral Outreach for Liverpool Anglican Cathedral, Stephen Mannings. Last night all their hard work paid off as they joined with other schools to perform **'Scrooge'** in front of a packed Cathedral audience.

Miss Downes, Miss Mac and I accompanied Year 4 for a rehearsal before being joined by lots of parents, staff and friends for the 7pm performance. I was taken aback over how many of #TeamNorthway came to offer support to the Northway Family. At the performance, there were actors, dancers, narrators and best of all... **the children's choir**.

We were all so proud of the children: their behaviour, attitude and beautiful singing. The Cathedral is an immense space to sing and perform in - awe and wonder can be felt everywhere. **This is an occasion I think the children will remember for a very long time.**

**Thank you** to all our parents and friends who came to give their support. It was also lovely to welcome **Mr Anderson** back for the evening. He definitely did not want to miss out on this magical event.

Mr Hargreaves  
HEADTEACHER



## What is the Northway APP:

This APP has been created specifically for Northway and is a platform that allows messages to be sent straight to your mobile device as well as a platform for essential information. So many fantastic features within the app should really help to improve communication between you as parents and us as School.

**Parent App:** Click the text (or email) message that was sent from NorthwayPri

**Step 1:** Click the link given in the text message or email message.

This will then take you to the 'Connect by Parentapps' verification page.

**Step 2:** Use the activation code provided in the text or email to log into the APP to verify who you are. This is unique to you as a parent so please do not share it.

**Step 3:** Click 'Activate'. You are ready to use the APP.

**Please make sure you have 'allow push notifications' switched on to allow messages to be received.**

## Other family members:

Once you have downloaded the APP, other members of your family or other adults who may collect your child can also have their own access to the APP. There are three additional contacts available (for example, dad and maybe gran or child-minder).

**Step 1:** Open the APP

**Step 2:** Click 'More'

**Step 3:** Click Additional Contacts

**Step 4:** Complete the Additional Contact request form and the person nominated will receive a message and activation code. **It is that easy!**

## Safeguarding:

Everyone who downloads the APP can only do so using the unique activation code provided by ParentApps. This ensures we know that people using the app have a real connection to Northway. This adds a high level of security alongside all the other Data GDPR layers inbuilt to the APP.

## A few features:

**Messages:** All messages will come through the APP. We will be ceasing our contract with Teacher2Parent in the coming months. If 'allow push notifications' is activated on your phone, messages will appear as banners automatically. All Northway messages will appear under 'current'. If you use the Connect APP for a High School, they will appear under 'other'.

Messages may also have an action attached – for example by clicking the message about the Newsletter, the Newsletter will then automatically open for you to read.

**Term Dates:** Up to date term dates for the year and future years once they have been published will appear here.

**Consent Forms:** Fieldtrips and other forms that require consent will be found here. Once completed, a signature is required using your finger on your phone screen. These are then submitted directly to school.

**Website:** Takes you to a mobile friendly version of the School website (new website coming Spring Term which will be totally mobile friendly).

**More:** Shows the other options.

**Latest News:** Headlines from the website.

**Events:** Probably the most important section of the app. Events (eg, Sports Day) will appear here. Once you click the message, it can be added to your mobile phone calendar. Events will be added when booked.

**Newsletters:** Our Friday Newsletters can be found here and all older issues too.

**Absence Report:** If your child has been ill through the night and you know they are unfit for school, an absence report can be completed and signed by you as parent. A phone call home may happen later in the day but this allows you to notify us. This must not be used for holidays or mis-used as trust is built into this feature.

**Surveys:** We may send surveys, which can be completed on the APP. When a survey has been created, you will be sent a message with a link to read it automatically.



**So many events already ... so many more to come!**

### Key dates for this half term:

Tuesday 10th December	KS2 Christmas Carol Concert (9.30am) KS1 Nativity (1.45pm)
Wednesday 11th December	EYFS Nativity (1.45pm)
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Nativity (9.30am) Y2 LIPA AND Cathedral Visit (9.30am) Children and Staff Christmas Lunch KS2 Christmas Carol Concert (1.45pm) Rec/KS1 Parents intro to RWInc (3.30pm)
Friday 13th December	Christmas in Immersive Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Disco
Monday 16th December	UKS2 Christmas in Immersive (in School) KS1 Christmas Party Day
Tuesday 17th December	EYFS to perform Nativity in 'The City' (off site) LKS2 Christmas Party Day
Wednesday 18th December	LKS2 Christmas in Immersive EYFS Christmas Party Day
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Talent Show UKS2 Christmas Party Day
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School breaks up for Christmas (2pm)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	<b>Spring 1 starts</b>

### Speaking to School:

Engagement between parents and school is a key part of growing together as a school community. If you want to speak about anything to do with your child, the first port of call is the **class teacher**. Following this, there are key members of staff with responsibility for different areas of school.

- **EYFS: Mrs Delaney**
- **KS1: Miss Daws**
- **KS2: Mrs McNeil**

**Mrs Lightfoot** or **Mr Hargreaves** are also available to speak to after the initial route or if a further conversation is required.

If you have a **Safeguarding** concern, Mrs Lightfoot is our Designated Safeguarding Officer and Mrs Delaney the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officer. Mr Hargreaves also has oversight of Safeguarding at Northway.

If you wish to speak about a **Special Educational Need**, Mr Vandewiele is our SENDCo.

Any questions regarding **Attendance**, Miss Sultan is able to answer it and other **after-school enrichment clubs or dates/events**, Mrs Clay.

**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.

### Consent forms:

You can now complete your consent form on the APP. It's very easy!