

School Photographer: QR codes and photo cards (example pictured here) along with details of how to order have been sent home. The photos look amazing! We hope you are really pleased with the two or three different 'shots' that were taken.

Orders can be delivered directly to your home or into School. There are standard photo packs and gifts available. Please use the link or QR code to be directed to how to purchase your photograph(s).

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Questions about how to order

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Notes from the Headteacher's Study



We are back!

Welcome back to Autumn 2! After a very *different* start to the term it turned out to be so busy and full of fantastic experiences. Our INSET was very productive and great plans have been forged for the way ahead.

At the end of half term, Liverpool remained in Tier 3 with

local restrictions before joining the rest of England in the National Lockdown. Yesterday began a new chapter on the fight against Covid-19. This has added many more procedures and yet more guidance for Schools to be woven into our Risk Assessment Planning Document. This newsletter shares the very latest from the Department of Education with you and the rules we have to adhere to as a School. Please also keep an eye on our website 'Covid-19 information' for future updates <https://www.northway.liverpool.sch.uk/covid-19-updates-from-northway/>.

One important half term headline was the work Marcus Rashford has been heading up regarding Child Poverty. I was so pleased that Liverpool City Council led the way in stepping forward with their voucher scheme – if you have not collected your voucher please ensure you visit a local Children's Centre with your verification letter. They will only remain available for a short time. **I want to publically thank a parent from our community who very kindly donated money to school to assist families at Christmas. This was totally unexpected but such a lovely act of compassion and kindness over half term.** If you would like to add to this donation, we will soon share how you can – and we will then be able to use the money to support families with food over another challenging time this year. Northway helping each other, living its values and proving 'Together we can achieve anything'. Thank you so much.

Mr Hargreaves
HEADTEACHER



Aut 2 Week 1 ATTENDANCE

Reception Gruffalo	98.5%
Reception Stickman	98.2%
Year 1 Morris	99.2%
Year 1 Sharman	97.2%
Year 2 Churchill	95.8%
Year 2 Windsor	99.2%
Year 3 Roscoe	98.5%
Year 3 Archer	95.8%
Year 4 Lennon	93.5%
Year 4 McCartney	97.2%
Year 5 Hawking	98.5%
Year 5 Turing	98.3%
Year 6 Anning	99.2%
Year 6 Darwin	93.2%

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

Aut 2 Week 1 LATES

Rec Gruffalo	0
Rec Stickman	0
Y1 Morris	1
Y1 Sharman	1
Y2 Churchill	4
Y2 Windsor	1
Y3 Archer	1
Y3 Roscoe	0
Y4 Lennon	4
Y4 McCartney	0
Y5 Hawking	0
Y5 Turing	0
Y6 Anning	0
Y6 Darwin	0

This week Congratulations!

Attendance:
1Morris, 2 Churchill
and 6Anning

Total:
97.4%

This week's
HOUSE WINNER
Rowling



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

National Lockdown updates:

Here is a snapshot of the guidance produced by the Government on 4th November ready for the 5th November 2020 National Lockdown. Notes are in the order mentioned in the DfE document.

- Well-being continues to be a priority.
- The Government will not be closing early years settings, schools, further education colleges or universities.
- Schools continue to remain open for children as they have since Autumn Term.
- It remains very important for children and young people to attend, to support their wellbeing and education and help working parents and guardians.
- Childcare or education is one of the exceptions that children, young people and parents and carers can leave their home for.
- **Face Coverings** for staff: There is no change to the existing position. It is not mandatory for staff and visitors to wear face coverings in school. Settings have the discretion to recommend the use of face coverings for adults on site, for both staff and visitors.
- Face Coverings for parents / carers: There is no change to the existing position. Face coverings should be worn by parents / carers when dropping off or collecting their children.
- **Transport** during lockdown: Journeys should only be made for education, childcare or work purposes. Staff, children and parents are encouraged to walk or cycle when travelling to and from school.
- Transport: If it is necessary to travel, settings are encouraged to walk where possible, and to plan ahead and avoid busy times and routes on public transport.
- Transport for Childminders: If it is necessary for a childminder to pick up or drop off a child at school and walking is not practical, then a private vehicle for single household use is preferable. Public transport should be minimised.
- **Visitors** to Schools: Schools should restrict all visits to the setting to those that are absolutely necessary. This means suspending parent and carer visits, including new admissions, settling in children new to the setting and attending organised performances.

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- Children who are **clinically extremely vulnerable**: Most children originally identified as clinically extremely vulnerable no longer need to follow original shielding advice. Alder Hey have assessed the list of children who were considered clinically vulnerable in Liverpool. Those children whose doctors have confirmed they are still clinically extremely vulnerable will be notified by letter / text / email. They will be advised not to attend childcare or nursery during the period this advice is in place.
- **Out of school activities** (including wraparound care) may continue to operate if their primary purpose is providing registered childcare or where they are offering other childcare activities where this is reasonably necessary to enable parents to work or search for work or undertake education. [Northway Breakfast Club and After School Club will therefore be able to continue.](#)
- After School: [Breakfast and After School Wraparound Child care is YES,](#) [Extra-Curricular Sports Clubs is NO ☹.](#) [Booster classes after School – NO ☹](#)
- Schools should continue to undertake **risk assessments** and implement the system of controls. If schools follow the guidance and maximise control measures, they can be confident they are managing risk effectively.
- **Music, dance and drama** can be undertaken in school so long as safety precautions are undertaken.
- **Sport and Physical Education (PE)**: Competition between different schools should not take place, in line with the wider restrictions on grassroots sport.
- Sport and PE: Children should be kept in consistent groups and sports equipment thoroughly cleaned between each use by different individual groups.
- Sport and PE: Outdoor sports should be prioritised where possible and indoor spaces used where it is not, maximising natural ventilation flows. Active Miles and break times should enable children to be physically active whilst maintaining physical distancing.
- Sport and PE: Schools can work with external coaches, clubs and organisations for curricular activities where they are satisfied it is safe to do so.
- School Swimming is able to continue following the Risk Assessment and Planning carried out by Liverpool City Council.

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- Where schools are offering extra-curricular activities they should only do so where it is reasonably necessary to support parents to work, search for work or complete education.
- The Prime Minister and Education Secretary have been clear that exams will go ahead next summer.

Lateral Flow Testing:

You will have heard that Liverpool has been selected as the first city to offer city wide screening for Covid using a 'Lateral Flow Test'. The Council are still working with the Government on how this will actually work. The tests should be able to supply results within a 20-30 minute window.

Many parents were concerned on Monday that the army was being drafted into School to carry out the tests without parental permission. PLEASE be reassured that this is not the case. Although the Government did consider schools being a base for the Covid tests, currently they have selected 50 community sites across Liverpool.

Details will follow (but maybe before we return to school on Monday). Please listen out for local information but I will add information here if I receive it.

SeeSaw Questionnaire:

Did you receive the questionnaire from Miss Grace regarding **Remote Learning**? If you are able to, the questionnaire will take between 1-2 minutes to complete and will help us greatly in developing our Remote Learning Offer as a school. **Thank you.**

Wellcomm:

'Wellcomm' has been in School working with our Nursery and Reception Classes to assess their Communication and Language skills. It has been a fantastic tool to understand and plan to deepen our children's ability to communicate effectively.

Assembly and Values for Victory:

Last half term we reflected upon one of our Core Northway Values for Victory: Courage. This half term we will be looking at several of our nurture values: **Remembrance, Friendship and Peace.**

This week we have looked at 'Remembering' – remembering people who have made a difference to our lives and people we have lost but still love. We looked at the calling of the first disciples, what it means to be called a good friend and how to be a friend that creates good memories.

Next week we will continue with the theme of 'Remembrance', looking at different stories related to **Remembrance Day** (Where The Poppies Grow, Peace Lily and Flo of the Somme). This week Mr Hargreaves, Mrs Lightfoot, Mr Bayliss and Miss Daws have all led Assembly. It really is a lovely way to start the day, 'Zoom'ing into Classrooms.

Questions about Christmas:

You may be wondering about Christmas and what can / cannot happen in School this year. We have spoken as a Senior Leadership Team about trying to make this year as 'normal' as possible and giving the children a true Northway experience.

- ✓ Children will still take part in our Nativity and/or Christmas Presentations but it will be recorded and available on DVD.
- ✓ We will still have our Christmas Jumper Day.
- ✓ Children will still be able to perform in our Talent Show (broadcast live from the hall into classrooms via Zoom).
- ✓ Class Christmas Parties can still take place (Bubble Party!)

Sadly we will not be able to have a School Disco or Christmas Fayre but lots more details will follow about the things we **can** do. I wanted to reassure you that Northway will ensure our children do not miss out ... and keep everything within our current Risk Assessment and Planning Document.

'Together we can achieve anything'

All learners, all valued, all achieving, all the time

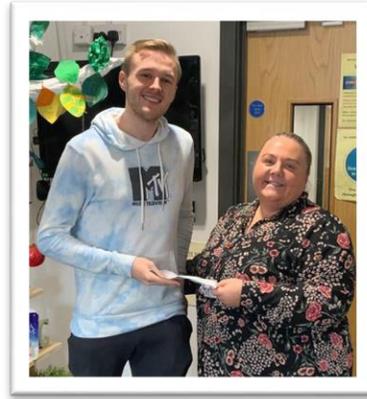
Together involves everyone...which makes it all the more exciting!

**A very special mention for
Marie Richards**

Northway is a family that goes back generations. It was with sadness that we heard this week that Marie Richards, who was a definite Northway character, recently died. Lots of parents and staff remember Marie because she worked with Northway for many years and finally ran the School Uniform Shop. Marie was known for her sharp wit and knowledge of everyone in our community.



Marie's grandson (Connor) visited School to tell us a collection had been made and her family wished to donate £300 to Northway. We were totally surprised and grateful that that family wanted to give such a kind gift. We decided to use this donation to purchase 'Marie's Cottage'. We have been saving up to establish a unique reading area for the children in our School Library and we thought this would be a fantastic way to mark her contribution to school life and give our current children an area to enjoy.



Thank you Connor for coming to school and re-connecting with us. Your Nan's memory will definitely continue to live on at Northway.

**COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence:
A quick guide for parents / carers**

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <p>...my child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Child should get a test Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result Inform school immediately about test results 	<p>...when child's test comes back negative and child is well enough</p>
 <p>...my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) Inform school immediately about test results Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - even if someone tests negative during those 14 days 	<p>...when child feels better, and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours</p> <p>They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.</p>
 <p>...somebody in my household has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Household member with symptoms should get a test Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result Inform school immediately about test results 	<p>...when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*</p>
 <p>...somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child shouldn't attend school Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - even if someone tests negative during those 14 days 	<p>...when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days</p>



* Symptoms include at least one of a high temperature; a new continuous cough; a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste. See more at: