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"Let Your  
Light Shine"  
Matthew 5:16



**\*Remember to book your child's school dinners for the coming week\***

## **Newsletter** **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

Last week's  
attendance  
was:  
**94.4%**

Dear parents/carers,

Following on from our letter earlier in the week, I would like to further update you with all the additional measures we have put into place following the number of COVID cases we have had at the school. We have always had the building well ventilated and good hygiene measures have always been in place since the beginning of the pandemic, this of course will continue with regular hand washing/sanitising throughout the day. Both classes have returned to 'bubbles' with designated areas of the playground, separate toilets and seating arrangements in the hall at lunchtimes have returned to class bubbles also.

We have had to cancel our book and biscuit mornings and inviting parents in for our celebration assemblies at present, our celebration assembly will continue with the children, and as always, we will be sharing the certificate winners in our weekly newsletter. We will be monitoring things daily and following the guidance given to us by Public Health England and the Department for Education. For the latest guidance please visit the gov.uk website [click here](#) or to view our updated Covid risk assessment [click here](#). We will continue to keep you updated with any changes.

As many of our children are asymptomatic, class teachers have been providing learning for the children to complete on our 'Class Dojo' in order that they don't fall behind with the learning completed in

school. We ask that parents support their children to complete these learning tasks and children bring them into school on their return. Staff are also providing 'keep up' sessions for children who have been absent from school to ensure that gaps in subject knowledge and understanding across the curriculum are revisited. If you would like to discuss this further with your child's class teacher, please contact the school office to arrange an appointment.

If your child develops any COVID related symptoms whilst at school, we will be asking parents to collect their child and carry out a PCR test. Once we have had a negative test result your child will be able to return to school.

Unfortunately, we are now unable to host the PTFA's Christmas Craft Fair on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November 6-8pm and instead this will take place in Northlew Village Hall. A huge thank you to our PTFA who have been co-ordinating this event and have had to make these changes at such short notice. Please do come along to support them with the various craft stalls available and even begin your Christmas shopping!

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, stay safe and well,

Mrs Cook

<i>School Diary</i>	
<b>November 2021</b>	
<b>Monday - 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>OCRA Multi-sports</b> after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm
<b>Tuesday - 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	
<b>Wednesday - 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuck Shop</b> , 3:15-3:30pm <b>Art</b> after-school club, 3:30-4:30pm (2 of 4)
<b>Thursday - 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Martial Arts</b> club, 3:30-4:30pm <b>PTFA Christmas Fair</b> , 6-8pm in Northlew Village Hall
<b>Friday - 26<sup>th</sup></b>	PE lessons- Class 1 & 2 Music lessons- Class 1 & 2 <b>Swimming-Class 1, 1:30-2:30pm (4/7)</b>

\*Your child must be booked onto our after-school clubs through School Gateway, in order to take part

## Author Visit

On Wednesday 1st December, we are excited to welcome a local author Julie Ann Keenor to Northlew. She will be sharing and reading some of her books, aimed at younger children but enjoyed by everyone. She will have some books available to purchase on the day for £5, which she is happy to sign for the children. We hope that her visit will inspire our children with their writing.



# Fairies of the Night



Book Signing,  
Meet The Author &  
A Magical Storytime

Date: Wednesday 1st December 2021

Time: 2pm until 2.30pm

Location: Northlew & Ashbury Primary School, EX20 3PB



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to visit Pencil Hog Publications website  
[julieannkeenor.uksite.com/pencilhog](http://julieannkeenor.uksite.com/pencilhog)



Fairy Costumes Encouraged

## Visit to RHS Rosemoor

On Tuesday this week, class 1 children went to visit Rosemoor Gardens along with the EYFS, year 1 and 2 children from Boasley Cross Primary. The children thoroughly enjoyed exploring the wide range of trees and plants in the grounds, creating an autumn colour pallet and finished off the morning creating their own Andy Goldsworthy

inspired pieces of art from the various materials they had collected on our walk around the beautiful grounds. Staff commented on the excellent behaviour demonstrated by all the children throughout their visit. We hope to develop the learning explored outdoors back in the classroom within our science topic this term.





## **Term dates 2022 – 2023**

### **Autumn Term 2022**

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Non-Pupil Day
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Non-Pupil Day
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	All Pupils Return

### **Half Term – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022 Inclusive**

Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	All Pupils Return
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of Term

### **Christmas Break – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 to Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2023 Inclusive**

### **Spring Term 2023**

Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Non-Pupil Day
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	All Pupils Return

### **Half Term – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 Inclusive**

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	All Pupils Return
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Last Day of Term

### **Easter – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2023 Inclusive**

### **Summer Term 2023**

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	All Pupils Return
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	May Day Bank Holiday

### **Half Term – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023 Inclusive**

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	All Pupils Return
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last Day of Term
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Non-Pupil Day
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Non-Pupil Day
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Non-Pupil Day
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	Non-Pupil Day



## **British Legion- Poppy Appeal 2021**

Your donations will help  
support serving and  
ex-serving men, women  
and their families in the  
Armed Forces.

Thank you!



## Woodland Champions

This week the Woodland Champions have been breaking a mixture of bamboo and cane for our habitat. We collected a variety of leaves from the ground to place into the habitat. We are hoping to soon get our night vision cameras to see if any wildlife will come. All of us are enjoying our woodland journey!



## **ART CLUB**

This week saw a new group of children take part in our Wednesday Art Club. They had lots of fun creating festive lanterns using a glass jar and decorating it with coloured plastic, stars & sequins. I'm sure they looked fantastic glowing once it got dark.



Congratulations to Izabella who has been selected to take home the reading basket this week, after reading 10 times.



# Super Learners of the Week!

## Class 1

**Isabel** showed great resilience and determination during swimming last week. She wasn't feeling very confident beforehand but got in the pool and did some incredible swimming. Well done Isabel!



## Class 2

**Aoife** has shown a great attitude towards her learning in all subjects as she is continually participating in discussions and sharing ideas. In particular with her long division Aoife has ensured that she is always persevering and not giving up when finding a concept challenging. Well done, Aoife.



## Christian Ethos - 'Peace'

## Class 1

**Ellie** has been consistently using the library during break and lunch time to read and complete her book track. Well done Ellie!



## Class 2

**Sienna** has shown a super attitude to promoting and using the value of peace. This week she has used her breathing strategies to help calm herself down and is able to identify and suggest ideas to friends in order to help them find peace as well. Well done, Sienna.



## Question of the Week

**Do we do enough fund raisers in school?**

**81% Yes**

**Children agreed that we raise lots of money for charities at Northlew by supporting at least two a term.**

**19% No**

**Some children thought that before Covid we did more fundraisers, which made us lots of money for charities.**

### PTFA Christmas Fair

Please note, the location of this years Christmas Fair has changed and will now be held at Northlew Village Hall.

### Tempest School Photos

If you would like to place an order for your child's school photo, please return your order form to school by Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November. Alternatively, you can order online at [www.tempest-orders.co.uk](http://www.tempest-orders.co.uk) by entering the 10-digit code from your order form. All orders *will* be delivered before we break up for Christmas.

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Northlew & Ashbury Primary PTFA

# Christmas Fair

November 25<sup>th</sup>  
6-8pm  
at  
Northlew Village Hall

Come & join us for an evening shopping  
Jewellery- Painted Glass- Hand made Soaps-  
Refreshments - Kids Christmas Crafts - Body  
Shop - Jewel decorated glass - Kesterfield  
Craft- The Artful Heifer - Beach Meadow Farm &  
Local handmade crafts & decorations  
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