#### 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**.

It is amazing seeing so many people arriving at school so children are ready to learn at 8.50am. To allow for the potential congestion, gates remain open until 9am. Thank you everyone who have made that real push to...

98.5%

93.9%

98.5%

100%

100%

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99.1%



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

What an amazing week! So many GREEN 98%+ attendance! Well done!



Aut 2 Week 2

**ATTENDANCE** 

**Reception Gruffalo** 

**Reception Stickman** 

**Year 1 Morris** 

**Year 1 Sharman** 

**Year 2 Churchill** 

**Year 2 Windsor** 

**Year 3 Roscoe** 

**Year 3 Archer** 

**Year 4 Lennon** 

**Year 5 Hawking** 

**Year 5 Turing** 

**Year 6 Anning** 

**Year 6 Darwin** 

**Year 4 McCartney** 

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

# Aut 2 Week 2

Rec Gruffalo	0
Rec Stickman	0
Y1 Morris	0
Y1 Sharman	1
Y2 Churchill	4
Y2 Windsor	0
Y3 Archer	0
Y3 Roscoe	0
Y4 Lennon	1
Y4 McCartney	2
Y5 Hawking	1
Y5 Turing	1
Y6 Anning	1
Y6 Darwin	0

# This week Congratulations!

#### Attendance:

1Sharman, 2Churchill and 4McCartney

Total: 98.7%

This week's
HOUSE WINNER
Shakespeare



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# NEWSLETTER

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# Notes from the Headteacher's Study



#### Remembrance

Have you noticed our improved gate system for School? We are so pleased to announce that our gates at the front of school are now electronic. You are able to press the intercom 'buzzer' and our Office Team will then let you in. This is a real improvement for the safety of our school community. We are now able to ensure vans making deliveries only come

onto the drop-off point when we know it is safe for them to do so. The gate upgrade is something we have been wanting to achieve for some time. As we use all our gates for entry and exit times, the gates are also on a timer, allowing them to automatically open at the correct time of the day. We didn't want you worrying if you were next to them when they suddenly opened! Please be reassured that you will always be welcome if you need to speak to our Office or drop children into School. The gates are to safeguard each other at busy times ... not to keep the Northway family out!

Did you manage to book a 'no-symptoms' Covid-test? Lots of our families did and have shared their *negative results* but **positive experience**. Mayor Anderson has repeated his request that people continue to access the mobile testing sites again this week and take advantage of this speedy service. I know when I visited a site last weekend, I was tested, returned home and received the result via the NHS/Army, all within 40 minutes. It was a surreal experience but one that ran smoothly.

Have you been able to complete the Remote Learning questionnaire? Miss Grace is busy working on our Remote Learning experience and would really value your thoughts.

Where did this week go?! I hope you have a great weekend.

Mr Hargreaves HEADTEACHER

#### Remembrance at Northway: 11am 11th of 11th

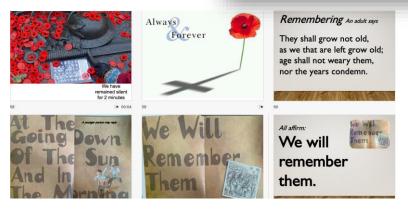
All Week we have been thinking about **Remembrance** and our response to conflict as peace makers. We read two lovely stories, 'Where The Poppies Now Grow' and 'Flo of the Somme'. Both books tell the story of Ben and Ray, along with a dog called Flo and their good friend, Lily. The books introduce the realities of human war experiences alongside themes of **remembrance**, **friendship** and **peace**.

On Wednesday itself, it was a real joy to host our **Act of Remembrance** as a School on the lead up to **11am on the 11<sup>th</sup> day, of the 11<sup>th</sup> month**. Holding our 2 minute silence over Zoom was just as meaningful as in previous years. We were able to Tweet about it after the event and loved seeing the 'likes' and 'retweets'.

Remembering is so important, but even more so, learning from the past and showing our Values for Victory; taking our places as **global citizens**. Northway pupils are training hard to take their responsibility seriously.







**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).



# 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. Miss Daws is writing to parents to share more exciting information with you, including the use of a professional videographer coming to school.
- ✓ 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 <u>can</u> 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.

### Face Coverings:

I am sorry to keep bringing this up...

Thank you to all the parents who have continued to wear a face covering, following the request by LCC / Public Health when dropping off or collecting children from school. Although our school site is as safe as it is possible to be, gathering at the gate is less safe if social distancing is not adhered to. This is where your face covering will protect you and others around you. We have noticed this week, a significant drop in the number of parents and friends not wearing a face covering. Wearing one is a perfect act of 'Togetherness' for our Northway community.

### Governing Board:

The **Staffing and Finance Committee** of The Governing Board met this week to discuss Staff Appraisals, to complete my Headteacher Appraisal alongside School Improvement Liverpool and then to hear future plans to take Northway into the future. On Tuesday the **Curriculum Committee** will meet to hear about the successes of our Recovery Curriculum and plans for our Post-Recovery Curriculum at Northway. I will update you on these plans in the next few weeks.

#### Remote Learning help:

Hello everyone! This week's video is all about how to use Bug Club and get the most out of it with your children. Some people have reported issues with logging in on an iPad when Pearson changed their log in screen over the summer. I've attached a link below that should help resolve the issue.

Due to COVID restrictions, we still cannot send home actual books from school, so we encourage the use of Bug Club wherever possible as well as reading any books you might have access to at home. Please continue to share this with your child's class teacher through their reading record uploaded to Seesaw weekly. Thank you for all your support and have a lovely weekend!

#### Help with logging in on an iPad:

https://support.pearson.com/uk/s/article/ActiveLearn-Primary-iPad-Login-Issues
Northway's Bug Club Tutorial Video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=luFmhDdJFC0

#### Lateral Flow Testing update:

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. Here is the update from LCC:

"It was decided that testing on Primary school sites would be logistically very challenging and will now not take place but all staff and pupils do now have access to community based lateral flow covid testing sites." LCC

Although the Government did consider Primary schools being a base for the Covid tests, currently they have selected community sites across Liverpool and some Secondary Schools.

#### Dogs:

Just a quick reminder, that unless they are an assistance dog, dogs (however cute, cuddly or friendly) are not allowed anywhere on our School Site ... even if they are wearing a face covering! This is part of the Health and Safety Policy for LCC and has always been part of our Northway procedures.



#### Wellcomm:

'Wellcomm' has been in School working with our Nursery and Reception Classes again 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.

# '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.



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

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.



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

What to do if	Action needed	Back to school
my child has COVID- 19 (coronavirus) symptoms*	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	when child's test comes back negative and child is well enough
my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	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	when child feels better, and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours  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.
somebody in my household has COVID- 19 (coronavirus) symptoms*	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	when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*
somebody in my household has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	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	when child has completed 14 days of self-isolation, even if they test negative during the 14 days

\* 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:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/