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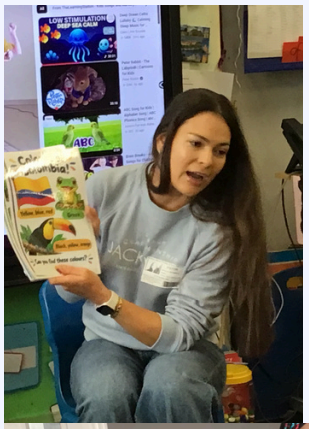
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Celebrating Learning, Diversity, and Success Across Our School Community

Learners Today. Leaders Tomorrow. Make Every Moment Count!

Welcome to our latest school newsletter! Autumn 1 Term has been filled with learning, joy, and achievement at Norbury Manor Primary School. As an Outstanding school, we are dedicated to providing inspiring opportunities that help all our children become enthusiastic, independent learners and the leaders of tomorrow. Here is a look back at the wonderful events that have enriched our school term.







Strengthening Our Community and Celebrating Culture

Our 'We Are Norbury Week' was a fantastic highlight of the term. Pupils developed essential speaking and listening skills by performing traditional story trailers in assembly. On Friday, 23rd October, our whole school celebrated the end of the challenge week by dressing in traditional cultural clothing. Parents and carers kindly shared traditional stories and brought in delicious food samples for our community to share. This event beautifully demonstrated our core value of Thankfulness, helping our children to appreciate and respect different cultures.

We were also delighted to welcome grandparents on Wednesday, 30th September, for a special morning of engaging activities. Furthermore, on Friday, 9th October, Reception parents joined us for an early Reading Workshop exploring Read Write Inc. phonics and the Reading Eggs platform. Working closely with families in this way reflects our core value of Community.





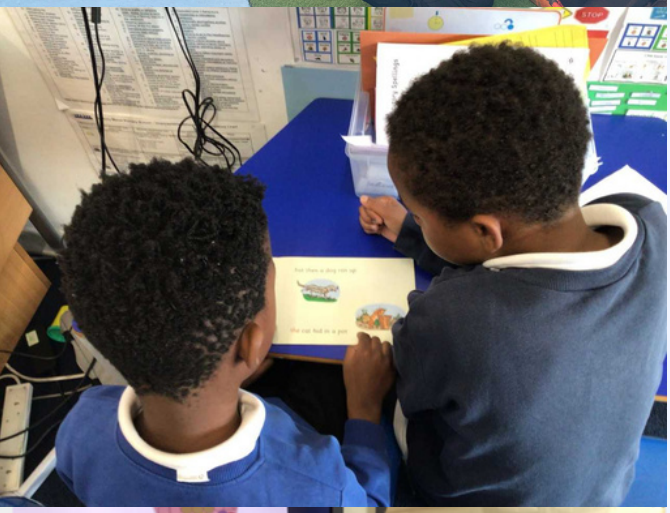
Developing Leadership and Empathy

On Thursday, 1st October, our School Council had the privilege of meeting The Deputy Civic Mayor of Croydon 2026–27, Councillor Scott Roche. Councillor Roche spoke to pupils about voting and democracy during our Head Boy and Head Girl elections. This inspiring visit reflected our value of Scholarship, helping our young councillors learn how to lead others.















Our pupils also showed wonderful care for others through our reading and charity events. On Monday, 19th October, older students paired up with younger pupils for our Book Buddy event to practise reading fluency and build confidence. Earlier in the term, on Monday, 14th September, our school celebrated Roald Dahl Day by raising funds for Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity. Both initiatives demonstrated our value of Empathy, teaching children to work together with sensitivity to the needs of others.

Inspiring Learning, Creativity, and Excellence

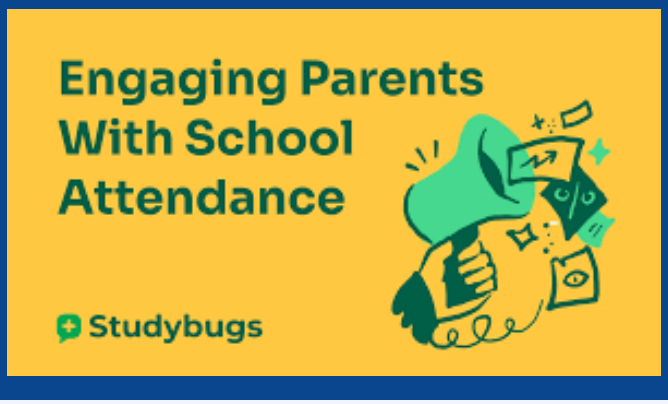
Learning has come alive across every year group this term. On Thursday 8th October, our school proudly took part in a global GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS attempt for the "most people reading online in 12 hours", joining readers across 85 countries. On Thursday 1st October, pupils celebrated National Poetry Day around the theme of "Wonder", writing original poems and showcasing our core value of Creativity.

Inspiring Educational Trips

Our curriculum has come alive through hands-on learning:

- Year 3: Visited the Natural History Museum, exploring the fascinating Mineral Room to support their Science topic on rocks and geology.
- Year 4: Took part in an interactive Maya Chocolate Workshop, learning about the history of cacao and ancient Maya culture.
- Year 6: Stepped back in time during a Victorian Drama Workshop led by expert facilitators who brought history to life through immersive drama.

These memorable experiences build our core value of Scholarship, helping our children develop lively, enquiring minds.



We learn in our own way and in our own time

Sporting Pride and Teamwork

We are also very proud of our school football team! Our players have been representing Norbury Manor with immense effort and skill in matches against other local primary schools as they compete in the league. Their determination, excellent sportsmanship, and fantastic team spirit on the pitch embody our school values as they aim high and support one anothe



Skill Builder and Our School Values

As a proud Skill Builder school, we teach eight essential life skills that link directly to our school values: Listening, Speaking, Problem Solving, Leadership, Creativity, Aiming High, Teamwork, and Staying Positive. These skills support our core values of Resilience, Empathy, Scholarship, Peace, Excellence, Community, and Thankfulness. To help you explore these skills with your child at home, we have attached our Skill Builder Parent Handbook to this newsletter.

Important Reminder for Our Families

New Link: StudyBugs App. To make reporting absences easier, there is now a link to the StudyBugs app on our website. You can find this link on the following pages (located in the left-hand side menu):

- Parent Support
- Medical Needs Awareness
- Child's Illness During School Time

You can also register on the app or website (https://studybugs.com/about/parents) to ensure we are instantly informed of any absence.



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Foodbanks

Finally, I want to remind you that food banks are available to anyone in our community who needs support, regardless of religion, status, culture, race, or disability . A list of local food banks can be found below to ensure everyone knows where help is available.

Name	Location	Open Times and Days	Additional Information
Liberty Christian Ministries	1A Norbury Crescent, Norbury, London SW16 4JS	Wednesday 10:30am – 12:30am	Liberty accepts anyone who needs to use our service. You do not need a referral voucher or any paperwork to gain access.
Al Noor Institute	In front of the Norbury Park entrance (Near Norbury Station). Syed Saqib Alam Abidi / Irshad Moosavi alnoor.fooddrive@gmail.com	Thursday 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Al Noor Institute provides freshly cooked food to those in need.
Resistance Kitchen	Near 1502, London Rd, Norbury, London SW16 4AD Near London Railway station info@resistancekitchen.uk	Saturday 2 pm – 3 pm	They share halal hot meals, fresh fruit and vegetable packs, along with tea, coffee, and biscuits. Also provided are take-home bags with a selection of home-cooking essentials, including rice, spaghetti, pasta, sauces, canned vegetables, tuna, sardines, cereals, and soups. All in need are welcome to our kitchen, no referrals, no questions asked.
Esther Community Enterprise	Woodside Baptist Church Foodbank Large Hall 27 Spring Lane Woodside SE25 4SP	Every 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm	They supply food, mainly perishable items, from Waitrose Supermarket. You do not need to pay to use this service. You also do not need a referral or a foodbank voucher. However, you will need to bring your shopping bags.
The Lois Project	Contact us on 07808 603499 or **theloisproject@gmail.com**		The Lois Project and Feed One Teach One provide food to individuals and families in need of groceries and/or cooked, ready meals, including vulnerable adults and persons in reduced financial circumstances. Meet people, laugh, craft & relax.
Croydon Muslim Association	In the forecourt of Croydon Mosque, 525 London Road, Thornton Heath CR7 6AR (Opposite the main entrance of the hospital).	Every Friday between 7 pm and 8 pm	**For more information,** please **text** Ashtaq Arain on 07951 069211
Alive Community Centre Food Bank	Elim Pentecostal Church, Mersham Road, Thornton Heath CR7 8NP tillymercy@yahoo.com	Saturday between 1 pm and 2 pm	No referral needed (just proof of low income required (benefits, tax credits). Referrals welcome from agencies, and some clothing available from doctors.
Croydon Kitchen	The Lawrence Centre, 173 Handcroft Road, West Croydon CR0 3LG For more information, contact: 077 537 32366 or email info@ntcgwc.org.uk.	Hot meals are served every Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Wednesdays from 12 – 2 pm Provide hot drinks, sandwiches, pastries, and food parcels to take away for those in need, as well as clothing and footwear.	This program provides hot meals, food parcels, and warm clothing to families and individuals in the Croydon area. Clothes on Wednesdays and Saturdays Housing (Croydon Council) Every other Wednesday NHS – Every Saturday