

NC News

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The newsletter of
Normand Croft Community School



Congratulations to Class 4 for achieving our target of 97%.
The class with the best weekly attendance enjoys the use of the ball court at lunchtime on Friday.

Rec	83
1	91
2	93
3	81
4	97
5	87
6	91
Total	89.5

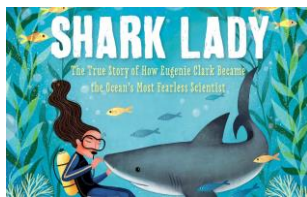
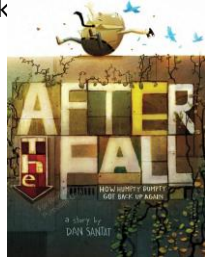
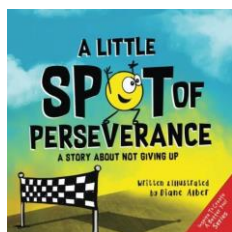


Attendance Matters



Our Shared Values Determination

We love reading at our school! Here are some of the books we have enjoyed listening to and discussing in assemblies this week



What if everyone in the world just gave up?

Would you like to improve your bike riding skills as a family? If so, there are 6 slots for Families Cycle Training available during half term.

Simply follow the link below to sign up.

<https://www.bikeworks.org.uk/hammersmith-event/Saturday-Family-Cycle-Training-HF-ravenscourt-norman-park/>

There is availability on the following dates:

Normand Park	Thursday 16 Feb	10:00-12:15
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Normand Park	Saturday 18 Feb	10:00-12:15
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Unity Farm

It's been another productive week of outdoor learning with our different club and committee members continuing to look after our school grounds.

Willow Weaving ...



Parent/Carer Volunteer Readers Thomas's Foundation - Volunteer Reading Scheme

Several local parents come and help our children with their reading every week and they have asked whether any Normand Croft parents would like to join the team.

No experience is needed and you just need to commit to one regular hour per week in term time.

You will need to do a DBS check and safeguarding training before you can start, which the Thomas's Foundation will organise.

If you are interested then please contact Victoria Ritchie, a volunteer who runs the scheme, on vritchie@thomassfoundation.org.uk She will be very happy to answer any questions and give more information about the scheme.

Be Safe, Be Kind, Be The Best That You Can Be Early Years and Primary Learning

In Nursery this week, we experimented with forces. After reading *The Three Little Pigs*, we tested moving objects by blowing to see which would move and those which wouldn't. We noticed that heavier objects were harder to move. Next week our story is *Dinosaur Roar* and our rhyme is *The Grand Old Duke of York*.



Reception children have been busy making musical instruments to use in our Early Years music area outside. We tried them out to discover the different noises they made.

Class One children have made their own non fiction book about arctic animals. They have written facts about penguins, polar bears and seals as well as labelled drawings. In cooking this week they made gnocchi with a pea and broccoli pesto. The children loved using the hand blender to whizz up the ingredients.

This week in science, Class Two have been investigating materials and their properties. We worked in pairs to make our paper aeroplanes, using four different materials (paper, card, tin foil and tissue). We then took our planes into the studio to investigate which material flew the furthest. Finally, we came together as a group to gather a set of results. In maths, we have been learning how to subtract through ten and have been solving word problems with subtraction.



Class 5 have had a delicious week. On Tuesday, they learnt how to make vegan brownies, which were a huge hit. Not only did they smell good, but they tasted incredible! Well done to the budding master chefs for their collaboration and patience.

In Science, they tested how waterproof different materials were, making sure that each test was fair and the results were recorded accurately. They worked particularly hard in Maths, mastering short division and approaching fractions with renewed vigour and confidence. In Guided Reading, they finished 'Cosmic' and began 'Floodlands.' Bravo Year 5!



We  Maths

the original fractions:

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2}$$

with a common denominator:

$$\frac{2}{6} + \frac{3}{6}$$

result:

$$\frac{5}{6}$$

This week, in maths, Class 6 have been solving fractions problems with mixed numbers. We have learnt that we need to find a common denominator when we are adding and subtracting fractions, if the denominators are different. Once we have found that, we just add the numerator together to get our answer. We have some amazing mathematicians in class 6!

Dates for Diaries.

Half Term

Monday 13th – Friday 17th February

Nursery is closed on Monday 20th February for Staff training.

Reception to Year 6 children return on Monday 20th February. Remember 8.55 is the time to arrive.

Mon 6 th Feb	C3&4 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Class 1 & 2 Multisports
Tue 7 th Feb	C1&2 PE 3.00 – 3.45 Maths Booster 3.30 – 4.30 3 & 4 Multisports 3.30 – 4.30 Gardening Club
Wed 8 th Feb	C5&6 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Science Club 3.30 – 4.30 Girls Football
Thu 9 th Feb	Swimming C4 3.00 – 3.45 Maths Booster 3.30 – 4.30 Y6 Eco Club 3.30–4.30 5 & 6 Boys Football
Fri 10 th Feb	9.05 Online Safety Workshop Swimming C3 Mayors Cup @ Hurlingham Park Break for Half Term Holiday
Mon 20 th Feb	C3&4 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Class 1 & 2 Multisports
Tue 21 st Feb	C1&2 PE 3.00 – 3.45 Maths Booster 3.30 – 4.30 3 & 4 Multisports 3.30 – 4.30 Gardening Club
Wed 22 nd Feb	C5&6 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Science Club 3.30 – 4.30 Girls Football
Thu 23 rd Feb	Swimming C4 3.00 – 3.45 Maths Booster 3.30 – 4.30 Y6 Eco Club 3.30–4.30 5 & 6 Boys Football
Fri 24 th Feb	Swimming C3