

# NS82° School Newsletter

19.06.26



Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to share with you what has been a truly fantastic week here at school. It has been one of those weeks that really reflects the energy, enthusiasm and community spirit that make our school such a special place to learn and grow.

Across the school, I have been incredibly impressed with the positive attitudes shown by all of our pupils. Classrooms have been filled with purposeful learning, curiosity and creativity. From thoughtful discussions in lessons to collaborative group work, it has been wonderful to see our children fully engaged and taking pride in their achievements. Our staff have also worked tirelessly to provide rich and engaging experiences, ensuring that every child feels supported and challenged.

Beyond the classroom, there have been many moments that have made us proud. We have seen acts of kindness, excellent teamwork, and pupils demonstrating resilience when faced with challenges. These qualities are just as important as academic success, and it has been heartening to see them on display throughout the week.

A particular highlight in school has been the growing excitement for our upcoming events, especially as we move further into the summer term. Speaking of which, I would like to remind you about an important date for your diaries:

## **School Sports Day – Wednesday 24th June, 1:30pm–2:30pm**

We are very much looking forward to welcoming families to join us for what promises to be a fun and active afternoon. Our pupils have been practising their skills and are eager to take part in a range of events. Of course, we are especially excited for the ever-popular **Parents' Race**, which always brings plenty of laughter and friendly competition! We do hope you can join us and be part of the occasion.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, our parents and carers, for your continued support. Your encouragement at home and your engagement with school life play a vital role in helping our children thrive. We truly value the strong partnership we have with our families.

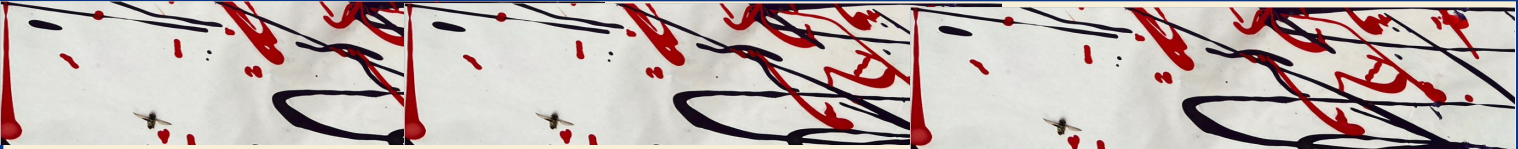
Thank you once again, and I look forward to seeing many of you at Sports Day.

Mr. Byrne, Headteacher



## **Our Mission**

We **N**avigate **S**uccess **T**ogether with **A**mbition and **R**elevance



What a fantastic week it has been here at North Star 82! I am delighted to share just some of the wonderful experiences and achievements our children have enjoyed over the past few days.

Our pupils have truly embraced every opportunity to learn, explore and challenge themselves. We have had some exciting trips and activities taking place, including visits to the **Avon Riding Centre**, where children demonstrated great confidence, care and respect while learning new skills. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces and growing independence.

Another highlight has been our **bouldering experience**, where children showed incredible determination, resilience and teamwork. Tackling new physical challenges can be daunting, but our pupils rose to the occasion brilliantly—supporting one another and celebrating each step of progress.

We have also enjoyed a memorable visit to **Noah's Ark Zoo Farm**, where curiosity and enthusiasm were in abundance. The children asked thoughtful questions, deepened their understanding of animals and habitats, and represented our school with excellent behaviour throughout the day.

Back in the classroom, the learning has been just as impressive. In **UKS2**, pupils have been producing some truly **beautiful descriptive writing**. Their ability to create vivid settings using imaginative language has been a real joy to see—bringing stories to life with detail, atmosphere and creativity.

In mathematics, children have been tackling some **really tricky problems involving weight**, and I could not be prouder of their perseverance. They have demonstrated strong reasoning skills, resilience and a willingness to challenge themselves when faced with complex tasks.

It has been a week full of achievement, enthusiasm and pride across the school. Thank you to our dedicated staff for creating such engaging opportunities, and to our families for your continued support.

Most importantly, well done to all of our fantastic children—you continue to make us proud every single day.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Warm regards,  
**Ms Evens-Bentley**





We would like to invite you to join the **North Star 82 Parents' Forum** – a welcoming space where parents and carers can come together to share views, ask questions, and support our school community.

### **What is the Parents' Forum?**

The Parents' Forum is a group that brings parents, carers, and the school together. It provides an opportunity to:

- Share ideas and feedback in a constructive way
- Work collaboratively with the school
- Support events, initiatives, and positive change

Strengthen communication between home and school

The forum is not about complaints or decision-making, but about **working together**, listening to different perspectives, and helping the school community thrive.

### **What can the Parents' Forum support?**

The forum may support and contribute to discussions around:

- School community events and activities
- Parental engagement and communication
- Fundraising ideas and social events
- Enrichment opportunities for pupils
- Wellbeing and inclusion initiatives
- Transitions and changes within the school

Gathering parent voice to inform future planning

All parents and carers are welcome — whether you can attend regularly or contribute occasionally. Every voice matters, and involvement can be as small or as big as you choose.

Further information about meetings and how to get involved will be shared soon. If you are interested in joining the Parents' Forum or would like to find out more, please keep an eye on upcoming communications.

Thank you for your continued support of North Star 82. We look forward to working together.



# THE ATTENDANCE LEAGUE

Regular school attendance is essential for your child's academic success, personal development, and building strong learning habits. When children attend consistently, they stay engaged, keep up with lessons, and develop a sense of responsibility that benefits them throughout life. Our class staff work hard to encourage attendance by creating a welcoming environment, maintaining positive communication with families, and celebrating achievements.

To make attendance fun and motivating, we've introduced **The Attendance League**—a league table that ranks classes based on their percentage of attendance throughout the term. The higher the attendance, the higher the class climbs in the league, fostering teamwork and healthy competition! Alongside the Attendance League, we also run **The Most Improved Attendance League**, which celebrates progress and effort. In this league, anonymous pupils have been selected to help raise their class attendance by setting a positive example and encouraging their peers. This initiative promotes teamwork and motivates everyone to aim higher together!





# THE ATTENDANCE LEAGUE

## LEAGUE TABLE

Fledglings
Kingfishers
Robins
Sparrows
Kestrels
Starlings
Hawks
Falcons
Owls



# THE MOST IMPROVED ATTENDANCE LEAGUE

## LEAGUE TABLE

Starlings	↑
Sparrows	↑
Hawks	↑
Fledglings	↑
Robins	↑
Owls	
Falcons	
Kingfishers	
Kestrels	





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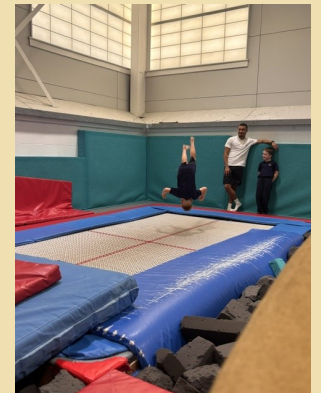
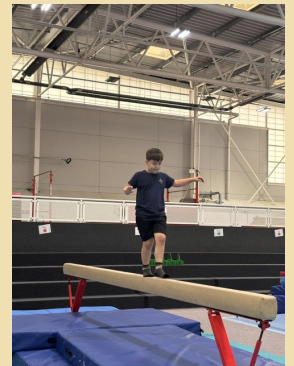
# What has been happening this week?



This week in PE, pupils have been practising their bowling skills in cricket, alongside plenty of running as part of their preparation for Sports Day.

During Tuesday's Bristol Rovers training session, students in Falcons, Hawks, Robins, and Kestrels groups focused on developing their shooting skills. Meanwhile, Sparrows and Kingfishers enjoyed a gymnastics session, building strength, balance, and coordination.

Elsewhere, Fledglings and Starlings had an exciting opportunity to go bouldering at the Clifton Sports Complex, where they demonstrated great enthusiasm and teamwork.



Sparrow class have loved having the button quail chicks with us in the class. Last week we got to watch them hatch from their eggs and move from the incubator to the brooder. This week they have started to grow their adult feathers and are jumping so high!

# SAVE THE DATE!



## School Term Dates

**Term 1:** 2 September 2025 to 24 October 2025

**Term 2:** 3 November 2025 to 19 December 2025

**Term 3:** 5 January 2026 to 13 February 2026

**Term 4:** 23 February 2026 to 2 April 2026

**Term 5:** 20 April 2026 to 22 May 2026

**Term 6:** 1 June 2026 to 22 July 2026

Wednesday 24th  
June 2026

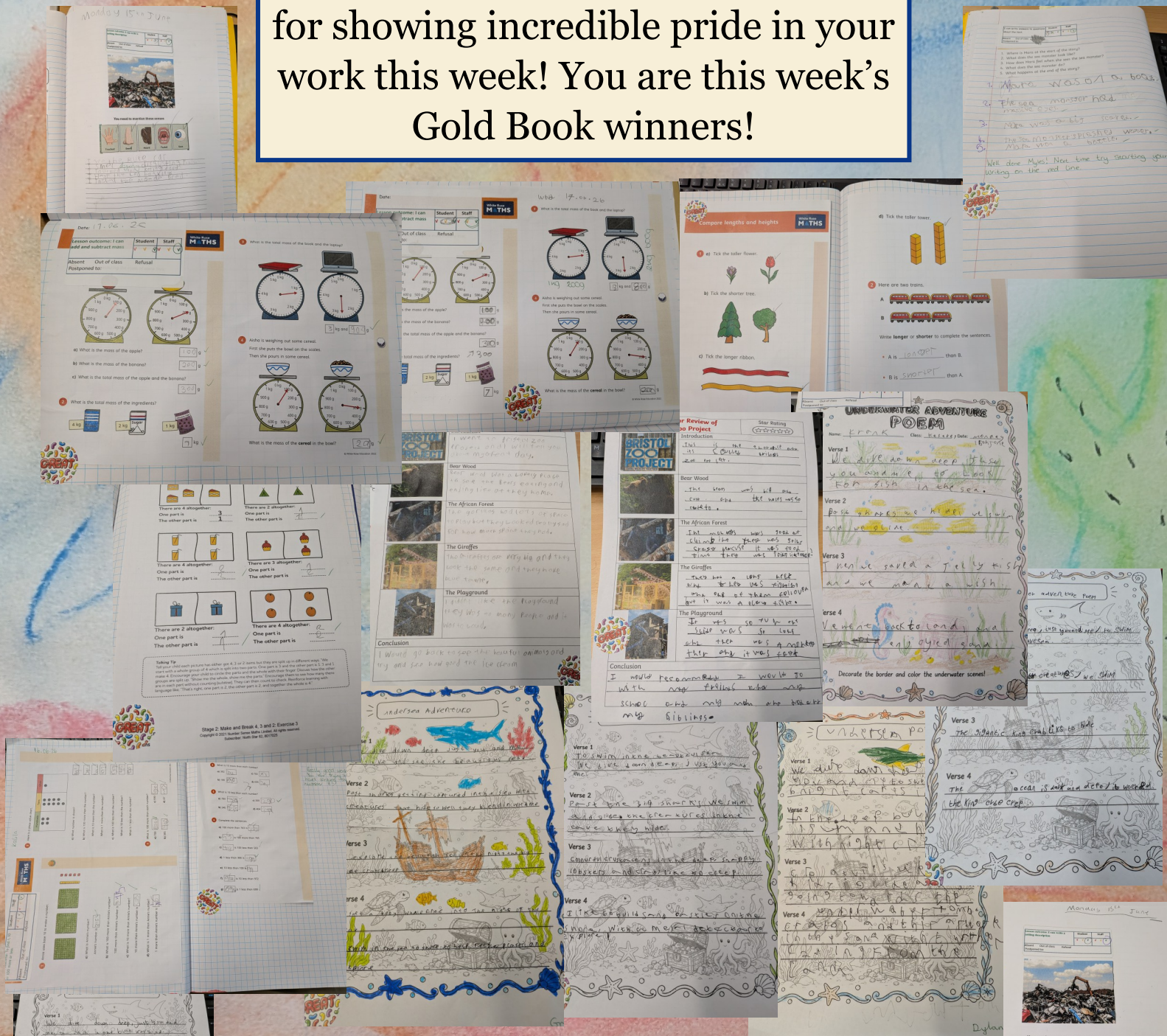
Sports Day!

1.30pm-2.30pm



# Engagement Page

# Well Done Jackson and Mckenzie for showing incredible pride in your work this week! You are this week's Gold Book winners!



# The Gold Book

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We Navigate Success Together with Ambition and Relevance

# PARENTS' FORUM

## NORTH STAR 82

**Everyone welcome – come and join us!**



We invite you to join our friendly Parents' Forum.  
A space to share ideas, ask questions and support our school community.

### What is it?

- Share feedback positively
- Work together with the school
- Support events and initiatives

### Topics include:

- Events & fundraising
- Communication & engagement
- Pupil wellbeing & inclusion
- School transitions

Join as much or as little as you like.

**Every voice matters!**

## Interested in joining?

Email: [tom.marsh@northstar-academy.co.uk](mailto:tom.marsh@northstar-academy.co.uk)  
or contact your class teacher via Class Dojo



Dear Families,

We are proud to be introducing our **Parent Forum**. The Parent Forum is designed to provide a supportive and constructive space where parents and carers can share ideas, contribute to discussions, and work collaboratively with the school. It is not about complaints or decision-making, but about creating opportunities to listen to different perspectives, strengthen communication, and support initiatives that benefit all members of our school community.

We believe that strong partnerships with our families are key to the success and wellbeing of our pupils, and we are excited about the opportunities the Parent Forum will bring.

Thank you once again for your continued support — we look forward to welcoming many of you to our upcoming quiz event and to working together through the Parent Forum.

Mr Marsh, Assistant Headteacher



**WE NEED  
YOU!**



**NS82°**

**SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**PARENTS, CARERS, GUARDIANS  
AND FAMILIES**

**WE'D LIKE TO HEAR YOUR SUGGESTIONS!**

**WHAT EVENTS WOULD  
YOU LIKE OUR  
SCHOOL TO RUN?**

**PLEASE CONTACT [TOM.MARSH@  
NORTHSTAR-ACADEMY.CO.UK](mailto:TOM.MARSH@NORTHSTAR-ACADEMY.CO.UK) WITH  
ANY SUGGESTIONS**

Primary

### Boys

- ◇ Black tailored trousers
- ◇ White school or plain polo shirt (with collar)
- ◇ Navy school jumper with logo
- ◇ Black, plain, sensible shoes
- ◇ Hijab – Navy Blue or Black



### Girls

- ◇ Black school skirt
- ◇ Sensible black tights to be worn with school skirt
- ◇ Black tailored trousers
- ◇ White school or plain polo shirt (with collar)
- ◇ Navy jumper
- ◇ Black, plain, sensible shoes (open-toed or backless sandals are not appropriate)
- ◇ For safety reasons, high heels are not acceptable

**Free school Meals/Pupil premium:** Your child could be entitled to receive free school meals as well as pupil premium funding for the school. Please read this important letter for more information about how to claim. You can apply to see if you are eligible for Free School Meals here:

[Apply for free school meals - GOV.UK](#)

If you are not entitled to free school meals a hot meal can be purchased for £2.90. Payments can be made over the phone or by sending in cash or cheque, payable to North Star Academy Trust and via Arbor app. Payments for meals are needed in advance.

**Our new supplier Aspens will be taking over the catering in our school In term 2. We will keep you updated with any menu changes in due course.**

A message from the office;

In the event your child is ill please contact the school office on **01173772175**.

Choosing option 2 to report the absence.

If you need to update any information we hold for your child such as contact numbers or address changes you are now able to do this via the Arbor app. If you have yet to log in please visit <https://login.arbor.sc> and click **Forgot your password?** to finish setting up your account.

## Breakfast Club!

We are excited to introduce our new Breakfast Club, available every morning for all children. This is a great way for pupils to start the day with a nutritious breakfast and a positive, calm environment before lessons begin. We look forward to welcoming everyone—no need to book, just come along and join us!

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# NORTH STAR 82° ONLINE SAFETY



## Think before you post

Pause and consider your words and pictures carefully.

## Be mindful of your audience

Remember who might see your posts or videos



## Take care with what's online

Not everything you find online is appropriate or true

## Tell an adult if you're ever unsure about something online

Tell an adult if you're ever unsure about something online.



There is no barrier too big or too small. We are here to support you!

## THE IMPORTANCE OF SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

### Parents' legal responsibility

Parents and carers must ensure their child gets a child – a full-time education. Children should attend school every day unless they are too unwell or the school has given permission for absence in advance.

### Potential consequences of poor attendance



#### Warning letter

Families may be issued a 'Notice to Improve.'



#### Penalty Notice (fine)

- £80 per parent, per child
- £160 for a second fine within 3 years



#### Court action and prosecution

- Fines of up to £2,500
- May lead to a criminal record



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Having L.I.F.T is a very useful resource in taking away some of the pressures of accessing education for my child. There is very open communication between myself and the L.I.F.T team. I feel very supported by them in a way that should I need to I can speak to them about anything. They are very understanding and try their best to help on any way possible. My child is enjoying accessing service through L.I.F.T and they make adjustments where possible to accommodate her or myself. I am very thankful to them for everything they have done, continue to do and will do in the future.  
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