

CELEBRATING 175 YEARS

Northaw Newsround

Friday 2 October 2026

Never look down on anybody unless you're helping him up – Jesse Jackson

Head's Lines

Last Friday, I had the pleasure of celebrating with the four recipients of golden tickets from the second half of the summer term and their friends. As usual, the cake and juice were gone within minutes. There are still three weeks left of this half term, plenty of time for the children to make their mark before nominations are again made by their teachers.

Reflecting on the harvest and those who go without enough food remains an important point in the school year. Normally, we participate in the Bishop's Harvest Appeal; however, following the recent installation of a new Bishop of St Albans, this annual event has been suspended, at least for now. Instead, every class has been looking at this time of celebration and understanding from different perspectives. For example, in Oak, we have been investigating how other countries mark this occasion, from West Africa to China and the USA.

Next Friday is Hello Yellow, a nationwide campaign supporting children's mental health. All pupils and adults are invited to wear something yellow as we share in highlighting this very important issue.

Dr James Inglis
Headteacher

This half term,
our value in focus is
thankfulness.



*Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction,
faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12*

There is a prayer box near the signing-in point for parents – a group share requests confidentially. Our Reflection Champions maintain a prayer tree for pupils. They have written this prayer for us this week:

Dear God,

Thank you for all the food, and let us have a good harvest. Help us to remember those people who cannot afford enough to eat.

Amen

The headteacher has chosen this scripture for us this week:

And he told the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. Matthew 14:19

Loving for today,
Learning for tomorrow,
Forever in faith



GOING FOR GOLD

Attendance Matters

The class with the highest attendance this week is **Oak**.

Five-Star Fashion

Tilly

Jed

House Credits

Narnia	43
Neverland	14
Oz	33
Wonderland	16

Mind Your Manners

Ralph

Amy

6Rs Stars

ACORNS

Theresa

Asher

APPLES & PEARS

Elizabeth

Ivy

WILLOW

Iommi

Mia

OAK

Golden Ticket

Thank You For The Music

Romy

Times Tables Rock Stars

Year 5 had the highest average number of correct answers in Battle of the Bands this week.

Upcoming Events

6 October

7 October

9 October

Stay & Learn

Flu vaccination

Hello Yellow

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Mental Health

As parents and carers, there are ways we can support our children to give them the best chance to stay mentally healthy.

Encouraging and guiding a child to think about their own mental health and wellbeing are vital skills you can teach them from a young age.

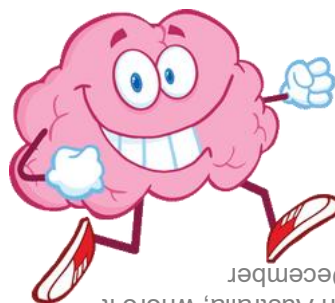
Find out how you can help a child to have good mental health, including knowing how to talk to a child about their mental health, and when to spot signs they might be struggling.

Plus get self-care tips for you, to help you look after your mental health while caring for others, and find out how to get more support if you, your child or your family need it.



Dr Inglis' Brain Training

Why did a woman born in December celebrate her birthday in summer?



Answer: She lived in Australia, where it is summer during December