



North Molton Primary School

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Friday 4th July 2025



Message from the Headteacher

Transition Process

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope your child enjoyed their first move up morning on Wednesday this week.

For half of the school, that meant moving up to a new class with new adults and for the other half it means welcoming a new group of children into their class.

Although we are a small school, our transition process started back at half term. Staff reviewed the current process and suggested ways it could be improved. Staff considered the offer for all children but also highlighted children who may need more support to move up.

Since then, each week, teachers and teaching assistants have been carrying out tasks and activities to build these new relationships. They have been visiting their current classes to see how fantastic they are with their learning, reading with them alongside their current adults and restructuring playtimes so different adults can develop relationships with their new children. Children have also been going to show off their learning to their new adults.

Next Thursday, we will do a second move up morning and our transition actions will continue to the end of this term as well as into the start of the Autumn Term.

It has been a fantastic piece of collegiate work as a whole school team and I feel confident the children are feeling the benefit of the time and energy spent planning and preparing them for change.

Despite all this, children ...and adults, will still feel nervous about change. Please attune and validate their feelings by expressing how normal this is.

Have a great weekend!

Mr Pennington

(Acting Headteacher)



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School News

****Change of Menu****

There will be a change to the lunch menu on **TUESDAY 8th JULY**. The options will now be;

Option 1 - sausage roll served with wedges and peas

Option 2 - vegan sausage roll served with wedges and peas.

Whole School Music Celebration

We would like to invite you to our whole school music celebration on **Friday 18th July**.

Please arrive from **1.30pm to start for 1.45pm**. Weather dependable, we will be on the big field for this celebration so please bring your own chairs/blankets.

Year 6 Leavers Assembly

The year 6 leavers assembly will be taking place in school on **Wednesday 23rd July**. We would like to invite parents/carers of the Year 6 children to join us to enjoy the celebrations from **2.00pm to start at 2.15pm**. You will be able to access school through the hall doors. We look forward to seeing you there!

PTA - Uniform Sale

We are excited to let you know that starting this Friday, the PTA will be running a second – hand school uniform pop-up stall after school, alongside the ever-popular ice cream stand! Find them on the school roundabout, straight after school for good quality second-hand uniform items for a small donation.

Uniform Sale & Swap shop

FRIDAYS ON THE ROUNDABOUT AFTERSCHOOL

BRING OUTGROWN UNIFORM OR FIND SOMETHING FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Donations Welcome

North Molton PTA



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Events of the Week



Falcons Class

This week Falcons Class worked with two teachers from South Molton Community College who ran an exciting cricket training session. They learnt how to field, bowl and bat and played against each other in a mini tournament. We look forward to working with them again!





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Sparrowhawks Class

Sparrowhawks have enjoyed doing some Microbit computing this week in class.





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PTA Events

NORTH MOLTON PTA

SUMMER GAMES & BBQ

18TH JULY

3 pm onwards

Stay after the music celebration and enjoy a BBQ before some sporting competition

- BBQ AND DRINKS • RAFFLES • GAMES •
- ICE CREAM • FACE PAINTING •
- AND MORE •



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PTA Events

BACK TO SCHOOL BREWS



A WARM CUPPA TO START THE SCHOOL YEAR
TOGETHER.

To help both new and returning families settle in and reconnect, we're hosting a free tea and coffee morning just outside the school gates on the first day of term!

Come along for a warm drink, a friendly chat, and a chance to meet other parents, whether you're new to the school or just ready to catch up after the holidays. Everyone is welcome!

When: During drop-off on Thursday 4th September

Where: Outside the main entrance



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School Clubs



Below is a summary of clubs for next week. All clubs must be booked in advance.

Day	Morning	Afterschool
Monday 7th July	Breakfast Club from 8am	
Tuesday 8th July	Breakfast Club from 8am	
Wednesday 9th July	Breakfast Club from 8am	Tennis with Mrs Shaw 3.15pm - 4.15pm Year 3,4,5 & 6
Thursday 10th July	Breakfast Club from 8am	Athletics with Romar Sports 3.15pm - 4.15pm Reception, Year 1 & 2 Cook Stars with Olivia 3.15pm - 4.30pm Age 5 and over
Friday 11th July	Breakfast Club from 8am	

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Fun cooking classes at:
NORTH MOLTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Great for Kids Parties too!

All ingredients included!
plus a craft activity & a recipe card to keep

EVERY THURSDAY
(term time)
3.15pm - 4.30pm

New for the summer term - open to children age 5 and over

Call Olivia: 07938 608 862
Email: olivia@cookstars.co.uk
Book: <https://portal.cookstars.franscape.io/class-overview/1453>

Cook Stars

Cooks Stars with Olivia has returned.

You can still book your child a place! To book please follow the booking link below.

<https://portal.cookstars.franscape.io/class-overview/1675>



Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
4 July	Reception Reports on MCAS app
9 July	Year 6 Leavers Trip
11 July	Yr 1-6 Reports on MCAS app
11 July	Kestrels and Owls BBQ and Games Evening (3.15pm - 6.00pm)
14 July	Non Pupil Day
16th July	Yr 5/6 Cricket Festival at SMCC
16 - 17 July	Reception Parents Evenings
18 July	Whole School Music Celebration & PTA Summer Games and BBQ - Arrive from 1.30pm, 1.45pm to start
23 July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly - Arrive from 2.00pm, 2.15pm to start
23 July	Last Day of Academic Year
24 July	Start of Summer Holidays



News from the Village and Local Community

Little Nippers Baby and Toddler Group:

Becky Rottenbury is running a Baby and Toddler group in the Methodist Hall on a Wednesday morning 9.30-11.30am during term time. This is a free group with tea and coffee alongside activities and toys for the little ones. The poster is on our website in the newsletter section

Friday Club:

The next Friday Club session will be **FRIDAY 11th JULY**, for an end of year 'celebration' finishing with a BBQ.

For any queries regarding Friday club, please contact Rosemarie Courtney (07944 243866).

N.B. We have a fb group, 'North Molton Friday Club'. It would be helpful if parents/grandparents of Years 3-6 children, interested in Friday Club, could join for communication purposes.

Phonebox Library: The village has converted the disused telephone box into a community library. It's a lovely library for the children to visit, take a book and recycle the ones they are finished with.

The village phone box library has a lovely selection of **children's books** as well.

The Saunders Good Samaritans Trust:

If anyone is struggling and needs any help please contact this local charity that is available to support residents in our local community. For more information please contact Rose Courtney (740382) who lives in the village.