



North Molton Primary School

'Love learning, learn well'

Friday 24th October 2025

Message from the Headteacher



Dear Parents/Carers,

As we come to the end of the first half of the Autumn term, I want to take a moment to celebrate what has been a wonderful start to the school year here at North Molton. The children have embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm and curiosity, and it's been a joy to see them thrive through a wide range of enriching experiences. From inspiring visits by athletes to adventurous night walks on Exmoor, the term has been packed with memorable moments that have helped build confidence, teamwork, and a love of learning. Our explicit work on our school values have unpinning the way we want to be together at school.

We ended the half term on a high with our beautiful Harvest Festival, which truly showcased the spirit of our school and wider community. It was heartwarming to see the Methodist church filled to the brim, with children aged 4 to 11 performing with confidence and pride. Their songs, readings, and poems were a testament to the nurturing environment we strive to create every day. Thank you for your continued support—it's what makes North Molton such a special place to grow and learn.

Have a lovely half term,

Mr Pennington
(Acting Headteacher)

Tea With Mr P

The following children were noticed displaying our school values this week:

Robins: Tommy B

Owls & Kestrels: Finn M

Falcons: Sienna S

Sparrowhawks: Eli J

Mr Pennington's choice: Wilf F



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School News

Harvest Festival

A big WELL DONE to all the children who preformed so beautifully in our Harvest Celebrations this morning. It was lovely to see parents & carers there as well to support the children.

Thank you very much to the Methodist Chapel for hosting this event and providing teas and coffees after for those who were able to stay.

We have a collection of Non Perishable food items to donate to the North Devon Food bank—again thank you for your generosity.



Cricket Coaching with Martyn Brice

The children have been enjoying some additional PE with a Specialist Cricket Coach. Children from reception to year 6 developing their cricketing skills and we look forward to being able to enter some more Cricket events in the local learning community in the Summer term.



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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 3rd November	Breakfast Club 8am	Roma—Yrs 3-6. Booking link below
Tuesday 4th November	Breakfast Club 8am	CookStars with Olivia
Wednesday 5th November	Breakfast Club 8am	
Thursday 6th November	Breakfast Club 8am	Roma—Yrs 1-2. Booking link below . Mrs Shaws Gymnastics club
Friday 7th November	Breakfast Club 8am	
Day	Morning	Afterschool
Monday 10th November	Breakfast Club 8am	Roma—Yrs 3-6. Booking link below Mrs Turneys Arts & Crafts Club
Tuesday 11th November	Breakfast Club 8am	CookStars with Olivia
Wednesday 12th Novem-	Breakfast Club 8am	
Thursday 13th November	Breakfast Club 8am	Roma—Yrs 3-6. Booking link below. Mrs Shaws Gymnastics club
Friday 14th November	NON PUPIL DAY	NON PUPIL DAY

Romar Football Club booking links

Monday: <https://romar-sports.classforkids.io/info/1296>

Thursday: <https://romar-sports.classforkids.io/info/1297>

CookStars: Those who currently attend will have received an email from Olivia regarding next half term. If your child would like to start attending then please contact Olivia directly for more information and booking details. www.cookstars.co.uk 07938 608862



Dates for the Diary

Autumn 2025	<i>Any new dates will be added in red</i>
27-31 October	Half Term Holiday
5 December	South Molton Christmas Lantern Parade
9 December	EY + KS1 Christmas Performance 2.15-3.00pm and 5.00—6.00pm
TBC	Christmas Experience
18 December	Christmas Dinner Day—wear your Christmas Jumper
19 December	Carols in the Church
22 Dec - 2 Jan	Christmas Holidays
5 January	Non Pupil Day

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child boxes are once again available in school to fill with gifts so that a child in need from across the world will receive a shoebox with toys, personal care items and stationery this Christmas.

Instructions on what to fill the box with and further instructions can be found in the box. Once filled please return these to the school on Tuesday 4th November or at anytime to either the Methodist Chapel or Community Shop by the weekend of 1st/2nd November.



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Dates for the Diary

Further Dates	<i>Any new dates will be added in red</i>
5 January	Non Pupil Day
9-13 February	Parent Meetings
16-20 February	Half Term Holiday
23 February	Non Pupil Day
5 March	World Book Day
16-20 March	Science Week
16—18 March	Sparrowhawks Residential
27 March	Music Celebration (Hall)
3 - 17 April	Easter Holidays
20 April	Non Pupil Day
30 April—1 May	Falcons Residential
4 May	Bank Holiday
11-14 May	Y6 SATs
19—21 May	Art Exhibition
25 - 29 May	Half Term Holidays
26 June	Sports Day
1-2 July	Y6 Transition Days at SMCC
3 July	Sports Day Reserve Date
3 July	EY Reports to Parents
6-10 July	EY Parent Meetings
9 July	KS2 Performance to Parents 2.00 –3.00pm and 5.30—6.30pm
10 July	Y1-6 Reports to Parents
22 July	Leavers Assembly (2.15pm) and Last Day of Term
23 July	Start of Summer Holidays



News from the Village and Local Community

Friday Club:

The next Friday Club evening will be Friday 14th November for an evening of Dance Dodge ball and Bingo! This is at the Methodist Hall, 7pm drop off.

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

Bonfire and Fireworks Display— Wednesday 5th November 6.30pm behind the Methodist Hall. All welcome this is not a Friday Club Session so children must be accompanied by an adult. £3.50 per person =, under 5's free, refreshments for sale.

N.B. Friday Club 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.

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.

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.