



Weekly Newsletter

Active Week 2026!

Active Week was fantastic as always, giving our pupils the opportunity to try a wide range of exciting sports and activities. Throughout the week, children took part in sessions including climbing wall, golf, archery, paddle tennis and tennis. These experiences allowed pupils to showcase their talents, develop new skills and, importantly, build confidence by trying something different. The climbing wall was a particular favourite, with many children showing real determination and resilience as they challenged themselves to reach the top. The paddle sessions and badminton introduced pupils to sports that may have been new to them. It was wonderful to see such enthusiasm and engagement from all year groups across the week.

Sports Day was unfortunately affected by the weather on Wednesday, which made it unsafe for our Key Stage 2 pupils to take part in their morning events, a real frustration for everyone involved. It was, however, great that our Key Stage 1 events were able to go ahead, and we hope that, weather permitting, the Key Stage 2 events will take place on 1 July.

We also enjoyed our annual family picnic, which provided a lovely opportunity for families to come together and celebrate as a school community. Thank you to all parents for their continued support, and for embracing the changes to the day, it was fantastic to see so many families making the most of the afternoon.

Active Week was a brilliant celebration of physical activity, teamwork and wellbeing. A particular thank you to Mrs Buchanan, Mr Chilton, Mr Worth and our Year 6 sports leaders for organising and leading events so successfully. We were especially grateful to Miss Quinn, who stepped in to support and keep things running smoothly when we faced the additional challenge of having no PA system due to Mrs Eastwood being unwell.



Laurus Live!!

On the evening of Thursday 11th June, members of our Year 6 choir performed at Aviva Studios in Manchester as part of the Laurus Trust primary family. They have worked hard in the lead-up, learning a range of songs and building their confidence as a choir. The children performed alongside pupils from other Laurus Trust primary schools, creating a large combined choir. They also enjoyed listening to performances from secondary school groups across the Trust, giving them a glimpse of the musical opportunities ahead.



It was a wonderful evening celebrating music and collaboration, and the children represented Norris Bank with enthusiasm, focus and excellent behaviour throughout. We are very proud of everyone who took part. Thank you to parents and carers for your continued support, and to Mrs Furmidge and Mrs Furness for preparing the choir and supporting the children on the night.

PTA Summer Fair Update

Our Summer Fair will take place next Friday after school, and we would love as many families as possible to join us. Please keep an eye out for the sign-up information and come along to support what promises to be a fantastic event. To help us prepare, we will be holding a dress down day on the day of the fair which is Friday 26th June. Children are invited to come to school in their own clothes in exchange for a bottle donation, which will be used for the popular bottle tombola at the fair. Donations can be placed on the table outside as children come into school on that day. Thank you, as always, for your continued support in helping to make these events such a success.

Book Recommendation

Book of the Week: The Dog That Saved the World (Cup) by Phil Earle. Recommended reading age: 8+



A fun, football-themed story about Pickles the dog and his owner Elsie, whose dream of playing at Wembley is threatened when the World Cup trophy is stolen. Inspired by a true story, this accessible, dyslexia-friendly book is perfect for building confidence and celebrates perseverance and following your dreams.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

[For a full list of dates for the 2025-26 academic year, please see our Annual Planner which can be accessed by clicking on this link.](#)

Date	Event
June	
22nd	Reception Parents Meeting for September 2026 intake
26th	Dress down day for bottle tombola & Summer Fair
July	
1st	Reserve date for Sports Day
2nd	Transition day for Year 6
8th-10th	Year 4 residential to Northumberland
10th	Annual reports sent home
13th-15th	Year 5 residential to Anglesey
13th-16th	Book Share Week
14th	Year 6 production
17th	Reception graduation
24th	Leavers Assembly
	School closes for summer holidays

