

Headteacher Message:



Welcome back! I hope you all had a restful half-term and are feeling ready for the busy and exciting weeks ahead. There's a lovely energy in school as we settle into Autumn Term 2, and it's always a pleasure to see the children returning with such enthusiasm. Next week, we look forward to welcoming you into school for Parents' Evening. These meetings are a valuable opportunity to connect and share how your child is getting on. If there's anything specific you'd like to discuss, you are very welcome to a brief email to your child's class teacher in advance — it really helps us make the most of the time available.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We're looking forward to a purposeful and positive half term together.

Christian Value of the Term

This term, our focus is on the value of *Creativity*. At Northleaze, we recognise creativity as a vital part of learning, problem-solving, and personal expression. It encourages children to think differently, explore new ideas, and approach challenges with imagination and resilience. Through stories, activities, and reflections, we'll be exploring how creativity can help us grow, support others, and make a positive impact in our community — inspired by the belief that each of us has something unique to offer. See our guidance document below:

[Home document: Term 2 - Creativity](#)

Christmas Dates

It's going to be busy term with lots going on—both in school and in your own family lives, no doubt, so we want to help you plan ahead as much as possible. We've added a few key Christmas events to our school dates list at the end of this newsletter, and we'll be updating it with times or further details as soon as we can.

Harvest – Thankyou

We were delighted to receive a letter from Clevedon and District Food Bank thanking our school community for their generous Harvest donations, which weighed in at an impressive 86.40kg. This contribution will go a long way in supporting local individuals and families facing hardship.

Promotional Video - Exciting News!

We're delighted to share that our brand-new school promotional video is now live on our website! It's a joyful celebration of everything that makes Northleaze so special — from our rich variety of activities to the warm, inclusive culture and the unique character of our school community. We're incredibly proud of the final result and want to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped bring it to life — our amazing staff, supportive parents, and of course, all of our wonderful children (even those who don't appear in the final cut — you were all part of it!). We hope you love it as much as we do!

 [Watch the video here on our website](#)

School Leaflets Available

On a similar note, we've had some new promotional leaflets made to help spread the word about our wonderful school. If you'd like to help distribute them locally—or even a little further afield, such as towards Bristol—or know someone who might be interested, please do collect a few from the school office. Thank you for helping us share what makes our school so special!

Anti-Bullying Ambassadors Shine at Diana Award Training

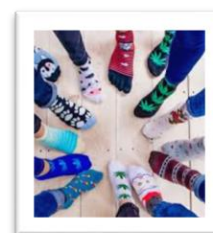
On Wednesday, a group of ten newly appointed Anti-Bullying Ambassadors took part in their official day's training with the Diana Award team. They were an absolute credit to the school—enthusiastic, thoughtful, and full of brilliant ideas to help us strengthen our anti-bullying culture.

The training day was both inspiring and practical, equipping the children with the tools and confidence to make a real difference. They returned buzzing with ideas and are already thinking about how to put their learning into action. Mrs Bertenshaw, who accompanied the group, will now meet with the ambassadors each term to help develop our whole-school strategy and ensure the anti-bullying message remains strong and visible throughout the year. We're incredibly proud of them all!



Anti-Bullying Week: Monday 10th – Friday 14th November

Don't forget to wear odd socks (or tights) on 'Odd Socks' Day, **Monday 10th November**, for the start of Anti-bullying Week!



Remembrance Day: Tuesday 11th November



On Tuesday 11th November, we will be observing Remembrance Day with a special moment of reflection. Children who are members of uniformed organisations (such as Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Cubs, Scouts, etc.) are warmly invited to come to school in their **service uniforms** as a mark of respect and remembrance.

Year 5 Remembrance Artwork on Display

Year 5 have created some stunning Remembrance-themed artwork, now proudly on display at All Saints Church. If you're nearby, do take a moment to visit and appreciate their thoughtful and creative work. We do also have some of the artwork displayed in our school entrance foyer.



A Note on Term-Time Holidays

We're really proud of the strong attendance across our school—thank you for your continued support in ensuring children are in school promptly and ready to learn each day.

As we look ahead to the rest of the year, we'd kindly ask families to avoid booking holidays during term time. Even short absences can interrupt learning and make it harder for children to stay connected with their class routines and friendships. We know that family time is precious, and we appreciate the effort you make to plan holidays around the school calendar. If you ever need a reminder of term dates or would like to talk through any plans, please do get in touch—we're always happy to help. Thank you again for everything you do to support your child's learning and wellbeing.

Safeguarding

At Northleaze, the safety and wellbeing of every child is our top priority. If you ever have concerns about a child's welfare—whether at school or at home—please speak to a member of our safeguarding team. Together, we can ensure every child feels safe, supported, and ready to shine.

Northleaze Primary School - Safeguarding



Please come and speak to one of us if you have a concern about a child or adult at school,
or anything to do with keeping children safe.
The office team will know where to find us.



**Christian Value of the Term:
Creativity**

A Prayer for Creativity

Dear God,
Thank you for the gift of imagination and the joy of creating.
Help us to see the world with wonder,
To explore new ideas with courage,
And to express ourselves with kindness and care.

May our classrooms be places of inspiration,
Where every child's light can shine brightly.
Guide our hands, our hearts, and our minds
As we learn, play, and grow together.

Amen.



Birthdays since last term:

Wren Y4	Ben Y6
Bonnie Y3	Noah Y2
Libby Y4	Toby Y3
Indie Y2	Freddie Y1
Maisie Y2	

Key Dates

10/11/25 – Odd Socks Day (children wear odd socks to school)
10/11/25 – 14/11/25 Anti-bullying Week
11/11/25 – Remembrance Day (children can wear cub/scout/brownie... uniforms)
11/11/25 & 13/11/25 – Parents' Evenings
14/11/25 – Individual School Photos
29/11/25 – PSA Xmas Fayre (see attached poster)
03/12/25 – School Christmas Panto ('Enchanted')
09/12/25 – EYFS Nativity (AM tbc'd)
10/12/25 – Year 5 Christmas Concert in Weston
11/12/25 – Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day
11/12/25 – KS2 - Carols by Candlelight at All Saints
16/12/25 – KS1 (Year 1 and Year 2) Nativity (AM tbc'd)

INSET Days 2025-2026

Friday 16 January
Friday 13 February
Monday 1 June

Term Dates 2025-2026

Term 1: Tue 2 Sep – Fri 24 Oct
Term 2: Mon 3 Nov – Fri 19 Dec
Term 3: Mon 5 Jan - Fri 13 Feb 26
Term 4: Mon 23 Feb – Thu 2 Apr 26
Term 5: Mon 20 Apr - Fri 22 May 26
Term 6: Mon 1 Jun - Wed 22 Jul 26

We still have tours in the calendar on the following dates:

Tuesday 11th November, Friday 5th December, Wednesday 10th December, Thursday 8th January