



Dear parents/carers,

It's been a fantastic first week back at school, and I couldn't be more proud of how our students have settled in. It's been brilliant to see routines falling back into place and learning getting off to a great start. Our staff have put in loads of effort to make sure everyone feels welcome and excited, and it's already shaping up to be a fantastic year. Thanks so much for your support—we're really looking forward to working together as the term unfolds.

We have been so impressed by how our new starters have settled in this week. From day one, they have shown real enthusiasm, kindness and willingness. Well done to all of them and thank you for your support!

A couple of reminders from me about next week: we're placing a renewed focus on school uniform to help maintain a sense of pride and belonging across our community. We've noticed a few creative interpretations lately, so we'd really appreciate your support in making sure students come in dressed according to our uniform guidelines.

Thank you for your patience with the taxis this week. Transport is not part of the schools service and because of this, we do our utmost to ensure we communicate with all the taxi companies on who needs picking up and when.

If you have any issues/questions/want to say "Hello" or perhaps let me know if there is a member of staff that has gone "extra mile" for you and your child then please do get in touch: [northstar180@northstar-academy.co.uk](mailto:northstar180@northstar-academy.co.uk)

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## Our Mission

**We Navigate Success Together with Ambition and Relevance**



**Thank  
You!**



## WHAT HAVE WE DONE IN OUR CLASSES THIS WEEK?

We have had a really exciting start to the term with some great activities to share with the school community.

In Foxes, they had their first gymnastics session at Baskervilles and had a great time. They conquered their fear of the high bar, used their strength to swing on the rope, and bounced extremely high on the trampoline!

Hedgehogs have completed some excellent pieces of writing this week about Philippe Petit - an amazing tightrope walker. They have been using adjectives to describe his incredible feat of walking between two skyscrapers.

In year 7 they were busy this week with team building activities and had some fun getting to know new classmates, building spaghetti & marshmallow towers. The students chose whether they wanted to make the 'tallest tower', the 'widest structure' or 'the most interesting structure'. It was difficult to resist eating the marshmallows.

8B have been working on their teambuilding activities making marshmallow towers and built dens with two students even included a welcome mat and built an imaginary hot tub and even a koi pond and a garage!

## LET'S CELEBRATE!

### **Attendance**

100% all week: Foxes, Hedgehogs, Otters

### **Points**

Highest points this week: Year 9



## SIGNPOSTING

### **Supporting Your Child's Wellbeing**

We know that children and young people may face difficult experiences, and it's important that families feel supported. The following resources offer practical guidance for parents and carers on helping children through trauma and bereavement:

[bereavement-guidance-for-parents-and-carers-003.pdf](#)

[looking\\_after\\_your\\_child\\_following\\_trauma\\_-\\_a\\_guide\\_for\\_parents.pdf](#)