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**Safer  
Internet  
Day 2025** | **Tuesday  
11 February**

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre

From cyberbullying to social networking to digital identity, each year Safer Internet Day aims to raise awareness of emerging online issues and current concerns.

Next week, the staff will be sharing educational videos focusing on how to be safe online. Here is a useful link about Whatsapp:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/2023-01-12-is-whatsapp-safe-for-my-child/>



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## Staffing

Miss Tarling will return to work after half-term.

Miss Thompson will continue to teach in Willow Class until then.

Breakfast Club staff will be available to let pupils into school at the agreed times of 7.45am (by arrangement), 8am and 8.15am. If you are late, you might have to wait a while before a member of staff can let your child in and supervise them safely to the hall, as all staff are involved with planning and preparation before the school day starts.



## Dates 2025 2026

The 2025 2026 Term Dates and Professional Development Days have been set. All dates have been added to the school calendar on our website:

<https://www.nortonprimary.worcs.sch.uk>

Parent Consultation appointments 'go live' on Monday 10th February at 6pm.

| 2025    |          |           |
|---------|----------|-----------|
| JANUARY | FEBRUARY | MARCH     |
| APRIL   | MAY      | JUNE      |
| JULY    | AUGUST   | SEPTEMBER |
| OCTOBER | NOVEMBER | DECEMBER  |



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## Year 3 Epiphany Service

The pupils in Oak Class led collective worship for family members on Tuesday to celebrate Epiphany. All pupils and parents were invited to write a few words on a star as a wish for the coming months. In the Christian Calendar Epiphany begins on the 6 January and is celebrated throughout the month to the early part of February. Well done to our Year 3 pupils who read and sang beautifully.

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Word Aware

Word Aware is a structured whole school approach to promote the vocabulary development of all children. Extensive research found that spoken vocabulary predicted children's latter reading development. Vocabulary relates to reading comprehension but impacts equally on curriculum areas that require specific word knowledge such as mathematics and science.

Next week, we will be launching Word Aware across the school. Look out for the Word of the Week for pupils in KS1, Lower KS2 and Upper KS2.

There will be a new word every week and some games to play at home featured on subsequent newsletters.



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Darting is the Word of the Week for pupils in Oak and Ash.

## Word of the Week

determined



### Meaning

When someone is sure they want to do something, even if it is difficult.



### Challenge

Ask someone at home to say the word **determined** in a sentence.

## CELEBRATING WORDS

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Determined is the Word of the Week for pupils in Key Stage One.



## Word of the Week

darting



### Meaning

Moving suddenly and quickly.



### Challenge

Do some **darting** across the playground. Which sports involve **darting**?

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## Word of the Week

beckoned



### Meaning

To use your hand to ask someone to come to you.



### Challenge

Show how you can **beckon** someone to come to you. When do you need to **beckon**?

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Beckoned is the Word of the Week for pupils in Maple and Elm.