



As we write this, the sun is shining and it truly feels like the summer term is in full swing here at Northern House Academy. This is a great moment to pause, reflect, and celebrate the many successes of Terms 3 and 4, while also looking forward to an exciting conclusion to the academic year.

Our school community remains a vibrant, dynamic, and engaging environment, enriched by a wide range of opportunities and experiences. Highlights from the previous term include whole-school Nerf battles, Storyteller Week, visits from the Space Centre, the return of sailing sessions for several classes, and the continuation of our Blenheim Palace project. We also hosted a very successful Family Fun Day, featuring face painting, African drumming, and immersive VR headset experiences.

A particularly exciting moment was welcoming a film crew to our school. They were eager to showcase the outstanding practice taking place at Northern House Academy, especially in relation to our collaboration with the National College of Education where a number of Gallery Trust staff undertake professional learning. Thank you all, once again for your ongoing support as we look ahead to the final term of this academic year.

Mr Stevens and Mrs Holmes

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

WEEK BEGINNING MAY 12TH - SATS (FOR SELECTED YEAR 6 PUPILS)

WEEK BEGINNING 19TH MAY - YEAR 6 CENTER PARCS RESIDENTIAL!

WEDNESDAY 11TH JUNE - WHOLE SCHOOL COTSWOLD VISIT

THURSDAY 10TH JULY - FAMILY FUN DAY (1 - 4PM)

SCHOOL DINNERS

We have a range of tasty hot meals, or school packed lunches available for students. Alternatively, students can bring their own packed lunches too. Here is a link to our menu for the Summer term

[WEEKLY MENU](#)

SUPER SAILING!



We're excited to have weekly sailing back for some of our classes! Pupils have shown great enthusiasm and joy out on the water at Farmoor Reservoir. It's a fantastic opportunity to build confidence, teamwork, and have fun—always with excellent safety and support from the expert team on site.

PHOTO PERMISSIONS AND CONSENT FORMS

A massive thank you to parents for completing photo permissions and trip consent forms. We have a huge amount of wonderful trips and special events coming up for our students to enjoy so if you still haven't managed to get your forms in, then please try to find the time ASAP so your child can participate and you can see on instagram [@nha_oxford](#)



STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Jacob Jeffries - Assistant Head teacher

What does your day look like?: No day looks the same, which most people who work at NHA would say. I love the unpredictability of each day and the enjoyment that comes from working with our pupils.

Why do you enjoy working at NHA?: I enjoy working with our amazing pupils who make me smile everyday and I love the team we have here as well!

What are your hobbies and interests?: I have a keen interest in music and sport and of course rocks!

Student question: What is your favourite super hero? Batman!



Weekly SEND Session Links:
Botley - West Oxfordshire
Community Centre
<https://shorturl.at/WHhsw>

Didcot - Fleet Meadow Hall
<https://shorturl.at/UjcdC>

Brize Norton - Elder Bank Hall
<https://shorturl.at/IM3bR>

After School and Holiday Club

We were lucky enough to have Mark from Active Future join us for our recent Parent Coffee Morning session. They offer weekly SEND sessions at different locations across Oxfordshire and their Holiday Clubs are free for SEND children. Please reach out to them for more information. You can find them on Facebook - Active Future South Oxfordshire.



With the sunny weather here, please remember to send your child with a sun hat, water bottle, and suncream already applied. A labelled bottle of suncream can also be sent in for reapplication. Staying cool and protected helps everyone enjoy the sunshine safely—thank you!