

Term Dates

Autumn 2016

Start	End	Half-Term
5 Sept	21 Dec	24—28 Oct

Spring 2017

Start	End	Half-Term
3 Jan	31 Mar	13-17 Feb

Summer 2017

Start	End	Half-Term
18 April	21 July	29 May-2 Jun

Parents Evening

Parents evening is on the **11th October 2016 from 5 p.m. to 7.p.m.** This is a valuable opportunity to speak to the staff about academic or pastoral progress, and to meet other parents. It is also a chance to start thinking about college placements for next year.

Please join us.



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October 2016 Newsletter

Meet our new staff



Pam McDonald and Jessica Stargardter are graduate interns from the University of Connecticut in America.



Turaj (left) is teaching Mathematics. Shelly (right) is our new administrative assistant.

Student Achievement

The Jack Petchey Achievement Awards for Barnet Schools took place in July at The Arts Depot in Finchley. It was a wonderful event that celebrated achievement and provided a real opportunity to highlight the positive contributions being made by our students. Congratulations to all the Northgate School Award Winners, and Linda Spiers, who won the School's Leader Award. Jack Petchey Awards winners pledged money for arts equipment, football goal posts, sewing machines and new kitchen equipment.

A Note from the Head teacher



Congratulations to our students who gained an impressive range of GCSE and Functional Skills results. A* grades were awarded in Geography and Science, A grades were awarded in English Literature, English Language and RE. 37% of all grades awarded were A* to C. Students achieved a 100% pass rate in English Functional Skills at level 1. All our students who left us last year have gone on to either a college course or an apprenticeship. This is an achievement which we should all celebrate. We look forward to hearing about their future success, and to the successes of our current students.

We have included more courses into our curriculum this year including GCSE Food, GCSE General Studies, but also practical activities such as jewellery making and animation. Work experience and employability skills are also included, so that we can prepare our students for the demands of employment.

Our first school excursion this year takes us to "We Are All Human", which is presented by the Koestler Trust. We look forward to extending the horizons for our students with many more events throughout the year.



Children in Need Workshops sponsored by Pudsey




Under the guidance of resident artist Alastair Lambert students have worked with paper, wood and clay to produce exceptional outcomes.





Employability Skills

The students have the opportunity to participate in a 10 week Employability Programme through the Princes Trust.



As part of the programme they learn about animal behaviour and in turn increase their own confidence.

