



Summer Term 2016 Newsletter

A warm welcome back to everyone following the Easter holidays. Our children have returned to school ready and raring to go, which is a great start to our action packed Summer Term filled with lots of great events and important assessments.

School Uniform Standards.

We value our school uniform and believe that it engenders a sense of belonging to our school community. Parents are very supportive of this and our children wear it with pride. Please be reminded, parents children should not wear the following to school;

- Nail varnish
- Jewellery (one set of stud earrings only)
- Sportswear in place of a school sweatshirt i.e. hoodies of any description
- Open toed footwear

We expect to be able to open uniform orders in advance of the summer holidays towards the end of May. We will inform parents of the exact arrangements as soon as we have confirmation from our uniform supplier.

PE Kit.

All children should be wearing a navy PE t-shirt and also have black shorts, jogging bottoms/ leggings and trainers. Don't forget to NAME all items of school uniform, we have lot of lost property every week and can't give it back to the children if it is not named!

Warm Weather.

Hopefully with warmer weather on its way we advise parents to provide their child with a clearly labelled sun hat and a water bottle each day (water only). We also ask parents to apply a generous layer high factor/ all day sun cream. As a school we cannot apply sun cream for children.

Norbert branded sun hats and caps are now available from the school office. Sunhats £4.50 and caps £4 each. Limited availability.

Attendance during Assessments/ SATs.

We ask parents to avoid taking their child/ren out of school for any reason during these important assessment weeks. Please see dates for your diary.

Parent Governor Election.

We have received two applications of interest from prospective parent governors from Mrs D'Agostino (Y2 parent) and Mr Duncan Gray (Foundation parent) - thank you. We will shortly send an electronic survey for you to vote for your preferred candidate.



International Food Sale.

Children in years 4 and 5 have come up with the idea of hosting an international food sale on Tuesday 26th April. All proceeds will go towards the Mustard Seed Project in Africa. All children are welcome to bring 50p to school on this day to purchase international themed food made by year 4/ 5 stall at break time.

British Values Week. Wc 6th June.

The Department for Education has said that all schools need to "promote fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs." As a school we will have activities planned throughout the week so the children can explore and share ideas.

Queens 90th Birthday Street Party!

The Queen's 90th birthday is a truly national event and provides a great chance for all of us to reflect on the extraordinary service her Majesty has given this country for more than 6 decades. To mark this historic milestone we will host our own celebrations with a street party style picnic at lunchtime on Friday 10th June. Shortly after the Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh will attend a National Service of Thanksgiving at St. Paul's Cathedral which will be televised and shown to the children in the main hall.

This will round off our 'British Values Week' in style!

Swimming.

We are fortunate enough to be able to offer swimming lessons to children in years 1, 2, 3 and 4. A detailed permission letter will follow but to give parents advanced notice, we kindly ask parents to make a contribution towards the transport cost only, this being £15 per child. The cost of the swimming tuition will be paid for by the school. Children will also have to wear a compulsory swimming cap. You can purchase these easily enough on the high street but we do also sell swimming hats from the school office for £2.50

Sports Day.

This year we will plan to have a whole school sports day. Foundation and KS1 in the morning followed by KS2 children in the afternoon. Parents are welcome to join us for the session your child/ren is taking part in and at lunch parents are welcome to bring along a picnic to enjoy with their children.

North Stars Dance.

Mrs Latronico-Ferris has commitments on the 5th May, the 30th June and the 14th July. Therefore the North Stars Dance Club will NOT take place on these dates.

Morning Footie.

Miss Griggs would like to advise aparents/ carers that the Morning Footie Club will start at 8.15am instead of 8am as per previous terms. Thank you.

Fundraising at Northborough.

Thank you to everyone who took part in Sports Relief 2016, as a school we £191.98. And another big thank you to the children for taking part in Sign2Sing, as a school we raised £70.75

Rotary Art Competition Winner.

We are very proud of all the children who submitted entries to the Rotary Young Art Competition. And we are very proud to announce that Amelia (Y6) has been selected by a panel of independent judges as the winner of the Rotary Young Art competition. She wins a prize of £50 and will attend a special presentation in Deeping this Friday.



Foundations Mud Kitchen.

In collaboration with the parents and children in the foundation class we are in the process of setting up a mud kitchen and it would be fabulous if you could help us develop it and kit it out.

Do you have any unwanted metal pots and pans, jugs or funnels, bakeware, bun tins, cake tins, kitchen utensils of any sort. Anything unusual, such as an ice-cream scoop, turkey basters, ladles, slotted spoons and skimmers.

Please ensure any items you supply: Are made from strong materials that do not shatter dangerously they are clean and well maintained cosmetic damage is fine but please check for breaks and sharp edges. Thank you so much!

Rocket Seeds have landed!

We are preparing to become space biologists and embark on a voyage of discovery by growing seeds that have been into space. Northborough Primary are one of up to 8,000 schools receiving a packet of 100 seeds from space, which they will grow alongside seeds that haven't been to space and measure the differences over seven weeks. The children won't know which seed packet contains which seeds until all results have been collected by the RHS Campaign for School Gardening and analysed by professional biostatisticians.

Payment reminders for trips.

Parents are politely asked to meet the payment dates on time. If you are unable to meet payment dates please let the school office know immediately and we will do everything we can to help.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

APRIL

- *International Food Sale - Tues 26th (break time - please bring 50p)
- *Y2 packed lunch deadline for multi skills event day (refer to parent letter already sent)
- *Y2 Multi skills Festival at AMVC - Wed 27th (during the school day)
- *Y5 Final Kingswood payment due (£32) - Wed 27th
- *Y6 Derbyshire payment due (£43) - Wed 27th

MAY

- *Y2 Hill Farm Birds visit - Wed 4th
 - *Foundation Cake Sale - Fri 6th (Pavillion weather permitting - in dining hall if not)
 - *Y3 Stibbington Evacuation Day - Mon 9th
 - *Y5 Kingswood Residential - Mon 9th - Wed 11th
 - *Y6 SATs week - Mon 9th - Fri 13th
 - *Y1 Circus Skills - Wed 18th
 - *School Census Day - Thur 19th
 - *Y2 Assessment Week - wc 23rd
 - *Y6 Derbyshire residential parent meeting - Tues 24th 5pm *PLEASE NOTE REVISED TIME* (Y6 classroom)
 - *Annual Music Evening - Tues 24th 6pm (main hall)
 - *Y6 Safety Challenge at Dogsthorpe Fire Station - Wed 25th
 - *E-Safety Day & Parent Workshop - Fri 27th (parents to attend from 3.30-4.30pm in the hall)
- MAY HALF TERM - Mon 30th May - Fri 3rd June**

JUNE

- RETURN TO SCHOOL - Mon 6th**
- *British Values Week - wc 6th -
- *Y1 & Y2 Swimming starts - Wed 8th (for 6 weeks)



- *Y3 & Y4 Swimming starts - Thur 9th (for 6 weeks)
- *Y6 Cake Sale - Fri 10th (Pavillion weather permitting - in dining hall if not)
- *Y6 Father's Day Gift Shop (early due to residential) - Fri 10th (during the school day)
- *Queens 90th Birthday Street Party - Fri 10th (at lunchtime)
- *Y6 Derbyshire residential - Mon 13th - Fri 17th
- *Y1 Phonics Screening - wc 13th June
- *Y4 Roman's Trip - Tues 14th (letter to follow)
- *Father's Day Gift Shop - Thur 16th (during the school day)
- *Y1 Festival of Fun -Wed 29th (letter to follow)
- TRAINING DAY - Fri 17th**

JULY

- *Sept 2016 intake parent meeting - Mon 4th - 6pm (parents/ carers only please)
- *Class swap morning - Wed 6th - Y6 children moving up to AMVC will spend the morning at AMVC
- *Y3, 4 & 5 Summer Productions - Thur 7th & Fri 8th both 6.30pm
- *Active Kids voucher deadline - Fri 8th
- *Y5 Cake Sale - Fri 8th (Pavillion weather permitting - in dining hall if not)
- *Y1's One BIG Camp - Fri 8th
- *Sports Day - Tue 12th.
 - Foundation, Y1 & Y2 - 9.30-11.30am
 - Parent Picnic Lunch 12.30-1.30pm
 - Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 - 1-3.15pm
- *Y1 & Y2 Swimming last session - Wed 13th
- *Y3 & Y4 Swimming last session - Thur 14th
- *Y6 Summer Productions - Wed 13th & Thur 14th both 6.30pm
- *Sports Personality - Fri 15th
- *Mufti Day - Fri 15th (non-uniform in exchange for Summer Carnival donations - details to follow)
- *Summer Carnival - Sat 16th 1.30-4pm
- *School reports due out - mid July
- *Y6 Leavers Party - Thur 21st 6-8pm
- *Y6 Leavers Assembly - Fri 22nd 9.30am
- END OF SUMMER TERM - Fri 22nd**

BACK TO SCHOOL: Wednesday 7th September

If there are any additional dates to add we will notify you as soon as we can.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Mr S Mallott
Headteacher

