



**North Marston Church of England School
School Hill
North Marston
Bucks MK18 3PE**

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12.1.24

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Birthdays

Happy birthday to Cara in Y1, Toby in YR and Katie in Y2 who celebrated their Birthdays this week.

Certificates

Congratulations to these children who have received certificates this week:

YR-Rosie for displaying a sense of fairness towards her peers and for working hard to remember all of her phonemes.

Y1-Cara for having such a brilliant positive attitude towards her work. She courageously gives everything a go and is a great example to everyone.

Y2-Hunter for coming back to school with such a positive attitude and having the confidence to tackle some tricky maths.

Y3-Freddie for careful observation during science this week. He showed enthusiasm and was a great lead learner.

Y4-Holly for showing clarity when explaining how to carry out a calculation in maths. She is a great lead learner.

Y5-Joseph for embracing the challenge of the mathematical problems he has been set. He is approaching each new skill with a positive and excited attitude, and his hard work is paying off.

Y6-Elliot for challenging himself to develop his abilities. He is using his grammar skills to improve his writing and is creating pieces he should be rightly proud of.

Attendance

As you are aware attendance in school is hugely important. We understand that there are various bugs circulating at present, and we would not want your child to come into school when they are ill, however please make every effort to keep your child's attendance high. We do submit our attendance data, which is checked, and any pupils with low attendance will be flagged up. An attendance rate below 90% is considered as persistent absenteeism. We will be sending out letters next week to inform you of your child's attendance if it is below this 90% threshold. This is for your information only.

We do also need to know if your child is ill or not in school for any reason, so please call or email the school in the morning to let us know. We have a duty of care to ensure that we know your child is safe, and we will contact agencies for support if we are concerned about a child's welfare. Many thanks for your ongoing support with this.

Winter weather

As the weather is now getting colder please can you ensure that the children come to school with warm clothing so that they don't get too cold during outside play times.

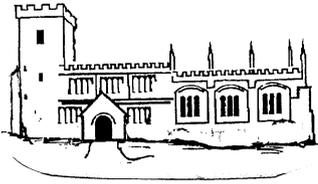
Should the weather make the school site, or travelling to school unsafe, we may need to take the decision to close the school site and switch to remote learning. Teachers will put learning

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activities and resources on the website under their class pages so there will be learning for the children to access while at home. Should this decision be made, information will go onto the school website and the Buckinghamshire Council website under school closures. Announcements will also be made on the local radio station.

School uniform

We are very proud of how smart the children look in school wearing their school uniform. Please can you ensure that they are wearing black or navy socks with black or navy school shoes, (white socks with trainers is fine on PE days), and not odd or brightly coloured socks. We have also had some uniform go missing which is named, so please could you just do a check that the uniform that your child is wearing is in fact theirs. Please also can you ensure that you name all items of clothing which your child wears for school so that should it be mislaid it can be returned immediately to the children.

Celebration Worship



All parents are welcome to join us for our time of worship on Friday afternoons at 2.40pm. If your child has achieved an award outside of school they are welcome to bring it into school to share their success with us at this time too. You will be notified the day before if your child is to receive a certificate, but they will not be told prior to the assembly. Next term the classes will be sharing their learning on the following dates; 12.1.24-Y2, 19.1.24-Y1, 26.1.24- YR, 2.2.24-Y5/6, 9.2.24-Y3/4, 23.2.24- Y2, 1.3.24-Y1, 8.3.24-YR, 15.3.24-Y5/6, 22.3.24-Y3/4, 28.3.24-Easter Service.

Home learning

Information regarding home learning for each class can be found on the class page on the school website. We would encourage all pupils to spend some time at home reading to, or with, you and practicing their maths learning through Mathletics or TT Rockstars as appropriate to their key stage. Reading books for the younger children have been purchased so that they can bring a physical book home or you can access the e-books too, Mathletics logins have been allocated to all pupils, and YR children will begin to use this platform this term. TT Rockstars is for children in KS2 and they all have logins allocated. Please ask the class teachers if you are unsure of these or have mislaid them. Thank you for your support with home learning it definitely makes a difference.

School Website

Please take a look at our school website www.northmarstonceschool.co.uk.

The calendar on the website is updated regularly so if you are unsure about events or activities please check this. There are also many documents and policies for you to access as parents including the school complaints procedure.

Please use the website as your first port of call for dates and information of events.

There is another area which has been added in the parents section which contains useful links to events and activities and other sources of local information.

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Reception school places 2024

Please be aware that if you have a younger child who is due to start school in September 2024 then the deadline for applications is midnight on 15th January.

Second hand school uniform

Good quality second hand uniform is available for anyone to purchase at £1 per item or £2 per item with the school logo. A list of the available stock has been updated. Emily Betts coordinates this for us. Contact the school office if you would like to buy any uniform. We currently have an abundance of stock so please don't send in any more donations for the time being.

Easy Fundraising

Please remember that if you are ordering online, many companies will donate a percentage of the cost to our school if you go through Easyfundraising. It is at no cost to you but benefits the school. Go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk and register to donate to North Marston C E School

Food allergies

If grapes are sent in for children to eat as snacks or in their packed lunch, please can they be cut in half to reduce the risk of choking.

Please be mindful that we have children in school with nut and other food allergies.

We ask that you do not put items with nuts or nut products such as peanut butter or Nutella into lunchboxes. Any break time snack which KS2 children bring must be fresh fruit or veg.

Dates

Friday 9th February- break up for half term

Monday 19th February- Pupils return back to School

Monday 4th March- YR and Y6 height and weight checks (rescheduled)

Thursday 28th March- Easter service in church 2pm

Thursday 28th March- break up for Easter holidays

Best Wishes,

Cathy Gouldstone and all the staff at North Marston School.

Our value for this term is Justice

Please follow this link for advice and support in how to keep your children safe online.

www.thinkuknow.co.uk

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