

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

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06.10.23

Dear Parents/carers,

Birthdays

Happy birthday to Fergus in Y6 who celebrated his birthday this week.

Macmillan coffee morning

Thank you to everyone who came to the coffee morning last week, and for your generous donations. We raised a total of £111.15

Defibrillator

The school has been provided with a portable defibrillator from the DfE. This will be kept in school and is accessible to all while the school is open.

PTA

The committee are keen to get going with events and activities for the children and for fundraising. If you have any ideas which you would like to share, or if you are happy to help out with events, please contact the school office or contact your class reps. They will be running a cake sale on the playground after school on Friday 13th October. A rubber duck race is planned for 28th October, PTA members will be selling numbers on the playground after school. A Christmas Wreath Making workshop will run on Thursday 30th November more details have been sent out via WhatsApp.

Staffing

We have a vacancy for a teaching assistant for 2 days a week in Key Stage 2.

We are also looking for a lunchtime supervisor to work 11.30-1.30, Monday –Friday.

The role of class teacher 1 or 2 days a week to work in KS2 is still available from January.

If you or anyone you know, would be interested in any of these positions then please contact the school office for more information.

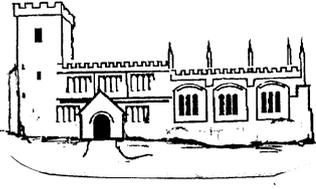
Playtimes

The play leaders are doing a good job leading games and activities at playtimes and lunchtimes. New equipment has been ordered and school council are going to discuss other ideas for playtimes. We are really pleased with how the children have responded to making playtime better. Please be assured that there are always a number of adults on the playground too, and supervision is a priority. Any incidents which do occur are monitored and staff are aware of pupils who may need support at playtimes.

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Helpers

We are very grateful to the parents and friends who come and help in school. If you have any spare time when you could come and help, we would love to hear from you. Reading help, forest school, sewing, cookery, art, are some of the ways that you can help. You can email the office or speak to your child's class teacher if you are able to offer any time. A huge thank you to Mr Lane who has fixed our playground door today.

Celebration Worship



You are all welcome to join us for our time of worship on Friday afternoons at 2.40pm. Each week a class will share some of their learning with us and some children will receive a certificate from their class teacher to celebrate some work or action which has demonstrated our school vision and values. 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. **13/10-YR, 20/10-YR1, 3/11-Y5+6, 10/11-Y3+4, 17/11-Y2, 24/11-Y1, 1/12-YR, 8/12-Y5+6, 15/12-Y3+4, 19/12-Christmas Service. Please note the change of dates for YR and Y1**

Clothes recycling

Our clothes recycling bank is in the school car park. Any unwanted clothes, shoes, bags and linen can be placed in the bank and money is raised for the school from the operating company.

If you have good quality school uniform this can also be brought into the school office. This is available for anyone to purchase at **£2 per item which has a school logo, and £1 for other items**. A list of the available stock is emailed out on a regular basis. Please message the school office if you require any items of uniform. We are very grateful to Emily Betts who undertakes the coordination of this for us.

School Website

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

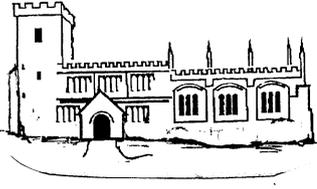
The calendar on the website is updated regularly so if you are unsure about events or activities please check this. There are also many documents and policies for you to access as parents including the school complaints procedure.

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

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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

Amazon wish list



We have added a few more items to the wish list on Amazon of books and resources which we are in need of. Mrs Hunter has included a number of items for forest school. Should you wish to, you can purchase some of these resources. We would be really grateful for any help you feel you could give. Please use the link Amazon.co.uk

The PTA is registered on Amazon Smile, so we can raise money with items you buy on Amazon
A big thank you for the items which we have already received.

Food allergies

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 vegetables.

Dates

Tuesday 10th October- Flu nasal spray immunisations

Friday 13th- PTA cake sale after school

Friday 20th October- Wear red to Show Racism the Red Card

Friday 20th October- Break up for half term

Monday 30th October- Pupils return to School

Tuesday 31st October- Individual and family group school photos

Monday 6th November and Tuesday 7th November- Parents' consultation evening

Best wishes,

Cathy Gouldstone and all the staff at North Marston School.

Our value for this term is compassion

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