

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

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13.10.23

Dear Parents/carers,

Birthdays

Happy birthday to Bert in Y3 and Ava B in Y4 who celebrated their birthdays this week.

Certificates

YR-Aliyyah for consistently working hard in phonics lessons so that she is now able to blend the phonemes she has learnt to make words.

Y1-Henry D for not only being kind and thoughtful but also always being up for a challenge and approaching learning fearlessly. He is a great example to others.

Y2-Haider for his increased independence and motivation which has led to great success in his learning.

Y3-Sienna for working hard in maths, adding and subtracting 10s. She was determined to work out the calculations and her confidence increased as a result.

Y4-Ava H for working independently to solve a maths challenge, applying her knowledge and skills to reach the target number.

Y5-Mabel for having such a positive learning attitude towards maths tasks. She is proving that she has the skills to solve the problems set.

Y6-Isabella for consistently showing compassion to others and being a person who is always there to be trusted.

Individual and family group photos

The school photographer will be in school on Tuesday 31st October in the morning. They will take photographs of the children individually and with any siblings in school. If you wish for any siblings who are not yet in school to be in a family group photograph then please let us know. They can come into school at 8.45am and we will take these photographs first.

Show racism the red card

On Friday 20th October the children are invited to come into school wearing red. They will be spending time learning about equality, kindness and fairness throughout the day.

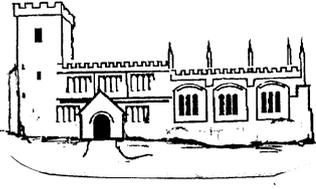
Forest School

Forest school is up and running and the children are enjoying the activities prepared by Mrs Hunter. The learning which takes place on the site is linked to the curriculum work in school and helps to offer learning opportunities in a different way. We are very grateful to the parents and friends who volunteer their time and join the children for their sessions. A huge thank you to Aneka Boyt who has provided some resources for the children to enjoy.

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PTA

The committee are well on the way to organising 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, cakes will be 50p or £1. A rubber duck race is planned for 28th October, PTA members will be selling numbers on the playground after school £2.50 each. Due to the popularity of the Wreath making workshop for adults which sold out very quickly, the PTA decided to offer a children's workshop after school on Friday 1st December. Children will need to be accompanied by an adult to attend. Your class reps have all the details. Thank you to Liz who has coordinated all of this so quickly and efficiently.

Staffing

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.

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. **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

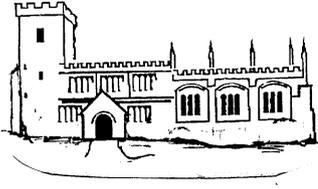
Our clothes recycling bank is in the school car park. Any unwanted clothes, shoes, bags and linen can be placed in the bank and money is raised for the school from the operating company.

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.

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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.

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

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

We show compassion by sponsoring Evans who lives in Kenya

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