



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

Challenging each other to love learning and truly care.

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are all very sad to hear the news of the death of Queen Elizabeth II and offer our sincere condolences to the Royal Family at this time.

We have taken time this week gathering together as a school community in times of worship and in class sessions to reflect on her life and what we can learn from her example.

The school will be closed on Monday 19th September for the Bank Holiday to allow staff and pupils to show their respects on the day of the funeral.

Birthdays

Happy birthday to Quinn YR and Flo Y6 who celebrated their birthdays last week.

Certificates

Certificates this week have been awarded to:

YR- Henry A for showing wonderful compassion towards all his peers. He is always the first to help and check someone is ok.

Y1- Haider for being so kind and supportive of others in the classroom.

Y2- Jack O for a fantastic start to the year, showing real courage in his approach to his learning. He has settled in well to year 2 and is working hard.

Y3- Ava H for showing perseverance in maths when she found it challenging.

Y4- Michael for showing such a positive attitude towards his learning, displaying a curiosity which has deepened his thinking.

Y5- Isabella for having such a positive attitude to every single task she has taken on in the classroom.

Y6- Macie for being so welcoming and helpful around the classroom and playground.

Parents' information evening

This will **not** take place on Monday 19th September as the school is closed.

Celebration Worship



All parents are 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

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your child is to receive a certificate, but they will not be told. These celebration times will begin next week, Friday 16th September. Y3/4 will share their learning. 23/9- Y2, 30/9-Y1, 7/10- Harvest Service, 14/10- Y5/6, 21/10-YR.

Jeans for Genes

On Friday 23rd September pupils are invited to come to school in mufti dress. We ask that no football shirts are worn and that they have sensible footwear. Please could you send your child with a donation of at least £1 to support this charity.

PTA AGM

Please come along to the AGM on Thursday 21st September at 8pm in the school hall. This is a time to find out about what the PTA have done over the past year and plan some new events or activities for the coming year. A new committee will be set up at the meeting, but it is primarily to share information and see how and what we can do for the school community. Your support at the meeting would be greatly appreciated and does not mean that you will have to sign up for any responsibility. Drinks and nibbles will be provided.

Forest school

Many thanks to those of you who have volunteered to help with forest school, we will send out a rota next week. Any more offers of help with this or to hear readers in school would be most welcome, please do let us know. We are also in need of wooden or metal kitchenware or utensils for use in the mud kitchen down at the forest school site.

Before school club

Just a reminder that we run a before school club from 7.45am each day in the school hall. It costs £3.50 per session. This can be used on an ad-hoc or regular basis. The children can arrive any time from 7.45am, but no earlier please, and they will go to their classrooms at 8.40am ready for learning.

Please contact the school office for more information or to book your child in.

Tree planting

We have been invited to join members of Granborough parish council to help plant trees as part of the Queen's Green Canopy. This will probably take place after school one day or at a weekend, so if anyone would like to join in then please do. We will inform you of the date when it has been finalised. Also a big thank you to Miss Aldridge's dad for planting our new flowering cherry tree at the front of school, which also is for the Queen's Green Canopy.

PE kits

Thank you for your support and understanding with the decision taken for the children to come to school in their school PE kits on their PE days. These must follow the uniform policy with shorts on warmer days and for indoor PE, and jogging bottoms or tracksuit trousers in colder weather. School jumpers or cardigans can be worn on PE days or navy sweatshirts or hoodies. They will be

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able to wear their PE kits all day but we would ask that they have a change of shoes for indoors in the wet weather.

PE days this half term will be YR-Friday, Y1-Tuesday and Wednesday, Y2- Monday and Wednesday, Y3/4- Monday and Thursday, Y5/6-Tuesday and Friday.

Clothes recycling

We would like to make you aware of our clothes recycling bank which 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 £1 per item. A list of the available stock has been updated by Emily Betts who has offered to take over the coordination of this for us. Please contact her on dremilybetts@gmail.com

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 several more items to the wish list on Amazon of resources and books which we are in need of. Should you wish to, you can purchase some resources for the school. We would be really grateful for any help you feel you could give. Please use the link <https://amzn.eu/d1VeZef>
The PTA is registered on Amazon Smile, so we can raise money with any 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.

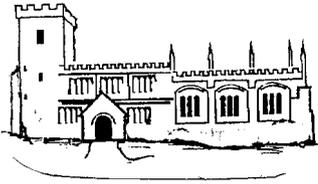
We ask that you do not put items with nuts or nut products such as peanut butter or nutella into lunchboxes. Any break time snack which KS2 children bring must be fresh fruit or vegetables.

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Dates

Monday 19th September- School closed for the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II

Monday 19th September- Meet the Teachers information evening 6pm-~~CANCELLED~~

Wednesday 21st September- PTA AGM 8pm

Friday 23rd September- Jeans for Genes day- full mufti- no football shirts

Friday 30th September- MacMillan coffee morning 9-10am

Best wishes,

Cathy Gouldstone and all the staff at North Marston School.

Our value for this term is compassion

How do we show compassion in school? We sponsor a boy called Evans who lives in Kenya.

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