



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

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Rhea in Y6 who celebrated her birthday this week and to Vincent Y3, Lucy Y1 and Riley Y5 who celebrate their birthdays over the half term break.

Certificates

This week's certificates are awarded to the following pupils:

YR- Bethany for showing fantastic resilience towards new opportunities. It has been wonderful to see her pleasure when she accomplishes a task.

Y1- Alby for working so hard with his reading and doing so with a smile.

Y2- Lochy for showing incredible courage with his writing this week and showing compassion in helping others with theirs.

Y3- Freddie for his amazing hard work in science this week. He explained his ideas clearly giving reasons for his ideas too.

Y4- Poppy A for being such a responsible and hardworking member of the class. Her work is thoughtful and always of a high standard.

Y5- Henry Col for being interested and engaged with the different poems we have looked at in class.

Y6- Joseph for having such a good scientific mind and being able to share his thinking with others.

Congratulations to the school football team who won 1:0 in their match this week.

Tree planting

As you know we are hoping to help plant some trees in Granborough alongside the Parish council. We have been asked to share this information with you:

The intention is to meet at 10.00 am on Saturday 19th November and to plant trees until say 12.30; I imagine some may carry on in the afternoon, but I would imagine those couple of hours will be enough for youngsters?

I suggest we meet in the car park of the Crown pub; the planting site is about 100 metres along the public footpath opposite the pub.

I have been loaned some spades, but it would be helpful if parents could bring their own if they can.

We hope that you will support this initiative and bring your children along.

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PTA

On Friday 21st October the PTA will be selling packs of craft activities which the children can buy at the end of the school day. These will be priced between £1 and £2 each. Children who are on the school bus will be able to buy these before they leave the school.

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. Pupils in each class will share their learning on the following dates- 4/11-Y3/4, 11/11-Y2, 18/11-Y1, 25/11-Y5/6, 2/12-YR, 9/12-Y3/4, 16/12-Christmas celebration.

Inset days

Our final 2 inset days have been set for this year. They are Monday 17th April 2023 and Friday 26th May 2023. Teachers will be in school for training on these days but school will be closed for pupils.

Individual school photographs

On Tuesday 1st November a school photographer is coming into school to take the individual and family group photographs. We are using new photography company this time. If you have pre-school age children who you wish to include in a family group, then please bring them into school at 8.30am on the morning and we will take these photographs first.

Parents' evenings

We will be holding parent's evenings on Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th November. You will have received a letter offering you a selection of appointment times. Please return this letter with as many choices as you can by Monday 31st October, so that the teachers can offer times which are convenient and manageable for everyone. You will receive your appointment time by Wednesday 2nd November.

Policies

Following the full Governing Body meeting on Monday there are a number of updated policies which are now on the website. These include the Behaviour policy and the complaints procedure.

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.

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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.

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

Buckinghamshire Family Information service

We have a schools link worker from The Buckinghamshire Family Information Service. This service runs lots of courses, activities and events for all families across Bucks. Please look at the BFIS website for more information. They also provide advice and support to any families who may need it. If you feel you would like some help in any way you can contact them or speak to Mrs Gouldstone at school.

Second hand school uniform

Good quality second hand uniform is available for anyone to purchase at £1 per item. Emily Betts coordinates this for us. Please contact her on dremilybetts@gmail.com, If you have good quality school uniform this can be brought into the school office and we will pass it on to Emily.

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>
We have been informed that the link does not always work so it is advisable to copy and paste this into the browser.

The PTA is registered on Amazon Smile, so we can raise money with any items you buy on Amazon.

Food allergies

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

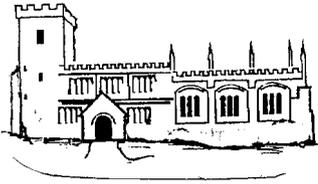
We ask that you do not put items with nuts or nut products such as peanut butter or nutella into lunchboxes. Any break time snack which KS2 children bring must be fresh fruit or vegetables.

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Dates

Friday 21st October- PTA craft sale after school

Friday 21st October- break up for half term

Monday October 31st- Pupils return to school.

Tuesday 1st November- Individual school photos.

Monday 7th November- parents evening 3.30-6.30pm

Tuesday 8th November-parents' evening 4.30-7.30pm

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? By raising awareness of "Show Racism the Red Card."

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