



Head Teacher : Mrs D Reynolds - BSc Hons QTS NPQH

*Aim High*

*Never Give Up*

*Follow Your Dream*

*Lead By Example*

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the start of 2020 at Norwood Primary School.

The children have returned to school full of exciting stories about their festive holiday. We do wish all of our families a very happy, healthy and prosperous 2020.

A reminder that all of our learning can be accessed via our website at [www.norwood-school.co.uk](http://www.norwood-school.co.uk) in our '**Children's Zone**' area, with information on each class's learning for this term on their individual pages which can be found directly by clicking the hyperlinks below.

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A reminder that in Years 1-6 we are using the app 'Seesaw'. Seesaw is an online pupil digital portfolio tool. We hope that this form of networking is supporting parents/carers with knowing what children are learning in school and also great communication between parent/carer and school in giving parents/carers an opportunity to look at up and coming learning themes in advance as this approach really does put the children at an advantage. If you still need any support in setting up adult accounts or have any questions or queries please do contact Mrs Reynolds who will be able to support you through the process.

In Reception, Tapestry is used for the same communication as above and for parents/carers to see their child's learning in school. If there are any problems with parents/carers accessing Tapestry, please do speak to Mrs Hainsworth. Parents/Carers are encourage to engage with these apps to look at what their child has learned in school and share successes at home.

As it is the time of the year when we may experience bad weather, I would like to remind you of the procedures that we at Norwood School will adhere to in cases of school closure.

Firstly, may I point out that in circumstances where staff members have difficulty in getting to or from school and where adult:child ratio becomes unsafe, under Health and Safety guidelines, the school will have no choice other than closure.

For updates on school closures please listen to Heart FM for regular updates before school hours. A complete listing of these will be continually updated at [www.heart.co.uk/peterborough](http://www.heart.co.uk/peterborough) and on the Peterborough Local Authority website. We will also send out a text/Xpressions message to all parent/carers informing you of any closures.

For school closures during the school daytime, we will contact parents/carers by a text, Xpressions and email message to the registered email address for the '*first contact*'. Please make sure the school office have up to date contact numbers and email addresses.

Please bear in mind that the majority of our staff travel a considerable distance to school and to ensure their safe travel home, it is only sensible to react quickly to an unpredictable situation and due to possible changing weather a decision may be made to close school early.

Although we take every care to grit the school grounds please be aware in adverse weather conditions, extreme precaution should be taken when entering and leaving the school premises. Pathways closest to the school boundary will be gritted and paths on entry/exit to Elter Walk and Coniston Road.



A reminder that all children should always come to school in full school uniform. Within Norwood School we promote an atmosphere which encourages effort, enjoyment and a celebration of the achievements of all our pupils. This is also reflected in the pride we take in our school uniform and the feeling of belonging it creates. It is our school policy that all children wear school uniform when attending school or when participating in a school organised event outside of normal school hours. The uniform is part of our school ethos and in coming to Norwood Primary School, parents and carers agree to support our policy. Full details of our school uniform and policy can be found on our Norwood Primary School website.

### **Term Dates 2020**

#### **Spring Term 2020**

Term Starts Monday 6th January 2020  
Half Term Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February 2020  
Term Finishes Wednesday 1st April 2020

#### **Summer Term 2020**

Term Starts Monday 20th April 2020  
May Day Friday 8th May 2020  
Half Term Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May 2020  
Term Finishes Tuesday 21st July 2020

### **Proposed Term Dates 2020-2021 (may be subject to change)**

#### **Autumn Term 2020**

Term Starts Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020  
Half Term Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2020  
Term Finishes Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020

#### **Spring Term 2021**

Term Starts Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
Half Term Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021  
Term Finishes Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021

#### **Summer Term 2021**

Term Starts Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021  
Bank Holiday Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021  
Half Term Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021  
Term Finishes Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

### **Diary Dates**

- **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020** - Special Meal Menu/Lucky Plate Day
- **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020** - Valentine's Menu
- **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020** - Valentine's Disco (Reception & KS1 pupils-**3.15pm-4.00pm**) new timings
- **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020** - Valentine's Disco (KS2 pupils-**4.15pm-5.30pm**) new timings

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Reynolds  
Head Teacher

