

# Norwood Primary School NEWSLETTER September 2014

Norwood School

Head Teacher—Mrs D Reynolds

# **Congratulations**

All at Norwood are pleased to announce the arrival of Will Henry Cockerill. Congratulations to the Cockerill family. We are sure that Mrs Cockerill will visit us some time in the near future to enable our children to meet Will.

#### **Universal Free School Meals**

Our children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are all entitled to Universal Free School Meals. These are proved by a contracted catering company, M & B Caterers, and our children have a choice of a hot meal or 'Funky Five'. We hope that you are happy with the lunches your children are receiving and if you have any suggestions as to how we can improve this provision, please do let the school office know.

# **Jeans for Genes Day**

Thank you to everyone who came to school on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September wearing jeans and donated to this worthy charity. It was much appreciated and we raised an incredible £211.00.

#### **ParentPay**

Thank you for your patience while we have been experiencing teething problems with our new online payment system ParentPay. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you need assistance. Your support in using ParentPay will help the school enormously, thank you.

#### **Toys**

A polite reminder that pupils should not bring in toys from home, unless it is part of a planned reward.

Any toys will be taken by an adult for safe keeping and returned to the pupil at the end of the day.

#### **Stud Earrings**

Only stud earrings are allowed to be worn at Norwood Primary School. Earrings not of this nature, or larger than standard studs will need to be removed. Please can we remind you that earrings are either removed for P.E. or covered by tape/plasters provided from home.

#### **Clothes Donation**

We would like to ask if you have any unwanted school uniform/P.E. kits, please could you bring these items into school so we have spare clothes available in school.

## **Start of the School Day**

At the start of the day we open our doors at 8.45am. The children then need to go straight into class. The doors then close at 8.55am, in order for the attendance register to be taken promptly at 9.00am.

Please do not arrive on site before 8.40am and before 3.05pm and at no time should children be left unattended on the school premises before the doors open. There should be no playing of any ball games on the playground before going into school.

Pupils who are late for the beginning of the school day (i.e. after doors close at 8.55am), should be taken to the school office and signed in by an adult.

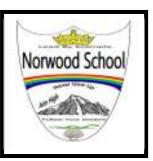
If the lateness is due to an appointment for medical reasons, please provide the school office with the appointment card/letter.



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# **Reception Class**

Well done to all our wonderful Reception pupils, who have settled in nicely to Norwood School and are now with us on a full time basis.

Please could we remind our Reception parents/carers about the Read, Write Inc meeting taking place in school on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** at **5.00pm.** This meeting will share with you how our phonics programme works and how children progress throughout the year.

# **Year 6 Kingswood Trip**

Our Year 6 pupils are looking forward to their Kingswood residential trip which leaves school on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September until Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September.

If parents/carers of Year 6 pupils wish to wave off their child, please arrive at the front of school from 12.45pm where the coach will be departing at 1.00pm.

# **Individual and Family Photographs**

On **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014** we will have a visit from the school photographer who will be taking both family and individual photographs. Any families with pre-school children who would like a group photograph are invited to arrive at the hall door (from the playground) at 8.30am. Please understand that you are under no obligation to purchase them upon delivery. Class and sports team photographs will be taken later in the academic school year.

#### **Harvest Festival**

As part of our Harvest Festival learning we will be supporting Peterborough Foodbank. Please can we ask for any donations of non-perishable, in date and undamaged food items to be in school by **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2014**.

Examples of items needed are:

Soup, Pasta Sauces, Tinned Food, Cereals, Tea Bags/Instant Coffee, Jam, Biscuits or Snack bars.

### **Consultation Evenings**

Our Autumn Term consultation evenings will be taking place on

- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2014
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014

School run clubs will not take place on these dates. More information will follow regarding booking appointments.

#### **NSA Halloween Disco**

The NSA will be holding a Halloween disco on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2014**. More information to follow from the NSA.

#### **Term Dates 2014-2015**

#### **Autumn Term**

**Term Starts** Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2014 **Half Term** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October

2014

**Term Ends** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2014

### **Spring Term**

**Term Starts** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2015

**Half Term** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February

2015

**Term Ends** Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2015

#### **Summer Term**

**Term Starts** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2015 **May Day** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2015

**Half Term** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2015

**Term Ends** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2015