

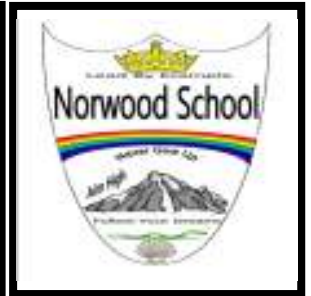


# Norwood Primary School

## NEWSLETTER

November 2014

Head Teacher—Mrs D Reynolds



### **Children in Need**

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated to this worthy charity. An incredible amount of £230.50 was raised on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2014**.

### **Curriculum**

As the curriculum has changed from September 2014 we have worked hard to integrate into the new curriculum, whilst holding on to the ethos and values that we know work for our school. Throughout our first half term, each year group has invited parents/carers into school to share in the children's learning and celebrate their successes.

As we move throughout the year, Parent Partnership is something that will continue, enabling parents/carers a clear understanding of what the children are learning and a first-hand experience of life at Norwood. Year 5 have already performed their Festival of Light assembly, reviewing various cultural celebrations during the Autumn.

Later in the school year, we will once again hold a whole school learning theme which will culminate in a whole school performance at The Voyager Academy.

Other whole school performances will include Reception celebrating Mother's and Father's Day, Reception & KS1 children performing a Christmas Nativity, Lower KS2 showcasing an Easter performance and Year 6 children reflecting upon their time at Norwood in their Leavers Assembly.

### **Lunch Times**

Our new arrangements for lunch time, including Universal Free School meals for Reception & KS1 is going well.

Unfortunately the impact is that we have a reduced amount of hall time available across the week. We can only fit 1 hour of inside PE in per class per week. All children have 1 indoor PE session & 1 outdoor PE session.

As the Winter sets in, please ensure that children have an appropriate kit in school.

### **Pedestrian Gate Entrances**

Please can we remind you that during the school hours 9.00am-3.00pm, the Elter Walk gate which is opposite the school office is the only pedestrian entrance that is open for parents/carers and visitors to access school site.

### **Christmas Jumper Day 2014**

We will be taking part in Christmas Jumper Day 2014 in aid of Save the Children on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2014**. Children and staff are invited to come to school in school uniform but wearing a Christmas Jumper over school shirts/blouses. More information to follow.

### **ParentPay**

Please may we remind you that in July, pupils were sent home a letter with a username and a password to activate their ParentPay account. Reception pupils will be sent home with their letters next week.

ParentPay is our online payment system account for all school trips across school and for KS2 school meals to be paid into.

The school office is no longer in a position to accept payments. Should you need access to a computer to check your emails or access ParentPay, please feel free to use our touch screen computer located in the school foyer.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you need assistance with setting up your ParentPay account.