

Normanby Primary Head of School Summer Newsletter, June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This letter contains important information about the arrangements for reporting on your child's progress this year, their transfer to their new class and events at our school during the Summer Term. We would also welcome your feedback on the curriculum your child has received this year, to help us prepare for the new academic year. Staff and Governors continue to work with colleagues from Nunthorpe Primary Academy, Ormesby Primary School, Zetland Primary School, Riverdale Primary School, and Overfields Primary School. The financial settlement, and increasing costs faced by the Academy has been received from the Government for next year and once again represents a significant challenge, however, our Local Governing Body have worked with the Trustees of Ironstone Academy Trust to resolve this challenge.

End of Year Reports

These will be sent electronically via email to all families. We will use the address stored in the 'SIMS' system for the main contact for your child for this purpose. You should receive this report on 1st July 2022 for all pupils. Some families require two copies of the report, for example, where parents are separated. We are able to email a report to two addresses. A copy of the form to request this is available from the office. Paper copies are available only on request in writing to the school office.

You may, if you wish, make an optional appointment with your child's current teacher for after school on 4th or 5th July 2022 to discuss the Report. Parents of children on the School Special Educational Needs Register, Y1 – Y5 will have received an appointment time direct from school for their Support Plan separately. Should you have any queries regarding the provision for your child's additional needs, please contact Mrs Miller, via the school office.

Results of national testing, for pupils in FS2 (Reception), Y1, Y2 and Y6, will be sent out on the same date for all pupils; we anticipate this to be 7th July.

Class Groupings 2022-23

Leadership Team will be arranging the new class groups for the new academic year later this term. You are welcome to let the school know if there is anything you wish your child's teacher next year to know.

Transition week

This year, pupils will move to their new classes on the afternoon of Thursday 7th July and Friday 8th with their new teacher for next year. This will coincide with some of our Year 6 children spending time at their new Secondary school. Details of Year 6 Transition will always be shared by the secondary school your child has been allocated. Transition was extremely well received last year by our parents and carers and meant that we had a very settled start in September.

The Year 6 show 'Goodbye My Friend' is taking place at 5pm on Wednesday 20th July. Gold Star assemblies will also be held this day. The Year 6 leavers assembly and awards will be

held on Thursday 21st July. Parents and carers of Year 6 pupils are welcome to join us from 2pm.

Staffing arrangements for 2022-23

Governors have again prioritised staffing within the school budget.

Foundation Stage 2 will have 3 classes, there will be 5 classes in Key Stage 1 and, in Key Stage 2, year groups will be in two classes with an additional teacher working in each year group to support smaller groups for English and Maths.

We will not be routinely streaming pupils, but children may work in differentiated groups for specific lessons. Additionally, we will make some use of specialist teachers for Music and IT (Mrs Herlingshaw), PE (Physical Education) will be taught by our specialist PE teacher, Mrs Bryson and our team of PE coaches who work across school.

School Meals

It has been fantastic to see so many parents and carers join their child for a tasty, healthy school dinner.

After the success of making bookable lunches available for parents and carers to share with their children, we have further dates being released by our office for parents who may have 'missed out.' Details will always be communicated by Feelgood Friday Newsletter and email. Prior booking is essential for our cook to be able to cater for the numbers each session.

Governors have decided to maintain the cost of a school dinner next academic year at £2.30; we recognise that all our families face changing financial pressures and hope, by avoiding an increase, as many children as possible will continue to take a school dinner. We will offer more sessions for parents next academic year.

Sports Days

Y6 Sports Day will be on the afternoon of Wednesday 22nd June.

Sports Day for **FS1 AM, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5** will be held on the morning of the 14th July.

Sports Day for **FS1 PM, FS2, Year 1 and Year 2** will be held on the afternoon of the 14th July.

Morning sessions will begin at 9:15am until 10:45 am, with a short presentation until 11:00am. Afternoon sessions will begin at 1:15pm and finish with a short presentation at 2:45pm.

2 adults per child may attend.

A reminder of these important dates will be shared on our regular Feelgood Friday Newsletter.

We will use the school Facebook page to update you if the weather may compromise Sports Day or other events.

Rewards

We have continued to use our system of rewards for behaviour in school. The children are really enjoying reaching their 'stars' within their classrooms and plenty of classes have

celebrated this with chosen class rewards. They are celebrating their achievements together, each week in Feelgood Friday assembly, which we share with you by email, Facebook link, via Seesaw and the Feelgood Friday newsletter.

Communication

ParentPay and Marvellous ME continue to be widely used for us to share information with you. Please see the office if you require any information regarding communication systems in school. Facebook will continue to be used to share notices and events in school. However, we do not encourage these forms of communication for direct contact with school. Please be reminded that you should inform the office of any updates to your contact details.

Many thanks for your continued support, please don't hesitate to contact school if you have any questions or concerns.

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Executive Head Teacher

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Head of School