

Normanby Primary School

September Newsletter 2022

Welcome from Mrs Pentney

It's great to see everyone back and I hope you had an enjoyable summer with family and friends. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and your children back to School, for the start of what will be another amazing year at Normanby.

This term Mr Faulkner will be working as the Head Teacher at Ormesby Primary school, another school in our trust. He will continue to be the Executive Head Teacher at Normanby Primary during this time.

Staff came back to school last week and as well as planning lots of exciting learning opportunities for this year, we discussed continuing the work we do to ensure that the children's behaviour is always great, so that we can focus on supporting them to learn and develop as respectful and kind individuals. I know you will be eager to see the findings of our recent ofsted. We are hoping to share the findings as soon as the report is published, from their visit to us before the Summer holidays.

When I visited each class this week, it was lovely to see the children well-presented and excited to be back at school and with their friends. I would also like to especially extend a warm welcome to those children who have started school for the first time. It has been a calm and settled start to the year, with all classes getting straight down to their work.

We held our usual Feelgood Friday Assembly today and it was great to see how everyone has settled so well in this first week. We have also discussed and shared our thoughts in our classrooms today and in assembly, on the sad news of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II, yesterday.

Staffing Update

We are welcoming 2 new members of the teaching staff; Miss Moore is teaching in the Year 3 team. Miss Moore has already worked with many of our children last year, as a Tutor in our school, and Miss Manning who is new to school, is teaching in the Year 2 team. You will already know that Mrs Meadows, Miss Hodgson and Miss Peavor have worked with us last year and in the coming year; Mrs Meadows is teaching in the Year 3/4 team, Miss Hodgson is teaching in the Reception team and Miss Peavor joins the PE team.

Dinner Money

School dinners are £2.30 a day and £11.50 a week.

No cash payments are received in school.

All parents must use ParentPay. If you have any queries regarding this matter, please ask in the main school office. Please remember that all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to free school meals. If you have not already taken up this offer and would like to do so, please contact the main school office.

We will be sending out reminders to all children on Packed lunches about what should be in a healthy lunch and some suggestions. Please see our policy on the website.

Reminder that because we have a number of children in school with severe allergic reactions to some food products, we are unable to accept Birthday cake or sweets into school to share with other children.

Contact Details

If you have moved house or changed your telephone number/mobile phone number, please can you inform the main school office so that your emergency contact details are kept up to date.

Water Bottles

All children will need to bring their own water bottle from home, preferably with their name on the bottle! The children will have an opportunity to top this up during the day.

School Uniform

The children all look very smart wearing their school uniform today.

As a reminder, our uniform is as follows:

- Navy jumper,
- white shirt,
- grey or black trousers/skirt
- and sensible black leather shoes or trainers. If your child wears trainer style shoes they should be completely black.

Further details can be found on our website.

[Normanby Primary School \(ironstoneacademy.org.uk\)](http://ironstoneacademy.org.uk)

Children may wear a watch and stud earrings, but no other jewellery may be worn. Prior to P.E. lessons the children will be asked to remove all jewellery themselves. I would suggest that on P.E. days the children do not wear earrings to school as this avoids hassle and saves time. During P.E. lessons long hair must be tied back.

There is no requirement to wear branded uniform.

School has several uniform items available for free; please contact the school Office if you think these might be of benefit to you.

Smart Watches are not suitable for school, so must not be worn.

P.E. Kits

Check on Feelgood Friday Newsletter each week to check the day that your child should come to school in their PE kit.

For P.E. lessons your child will need:

- navy or black shorts,
- white tee shirt
- and trainers

If it is cold then the children can wear navy/black jogging bottoms, navy or black leggings, navy or black sweatshirt. Please note that children may not wear football kits in P.E. lessons or general leisure wear.

Naming Clothes and Lost Property

Please help by ensuring that all property and items of clothing and footwear are clearly marked with your child's name.

Mobile Phones

If a mobile phone is brought to school, these should be handed in to the teacher at the start of the day and may be collected at the end of the day. They are stored in a box when they have been switched off.

School Holiday Dates

Holiday	School Finishes	School Starts
School Closed (Staff Training 1)	Thursday 1 st September 2022	
School Closed (Staff Training 2)	Friday 2 nd September 2022	
School Closed (Staff Training 3)	Friday 30 th September 2022	
Autumn Half Term 2022	Monday 24 th October 2022	Friday 28 th October
Parental Consultations	Week commencing 31 st October 2023	
Christmas 2022 - 2023	Monday 19 th December 2022	Tuesday 3 rd January 2023
Parental Consultations	Week commencing 13 th February 2023	
School Closed (Staff Training 4)	Friday 17 th February 2023	
Spring Half Term 2023	Monday 20 th February 2023	Friday 24 th February 2023
Easter 2022	Monday 3 rd April 2023	Friday 14 th April 2023
May Day 2022	Monday 1 st May 2023	
School Closed (Staff Training 5)	Friday 26 th May 2023	
Summer Half Term 2022	Monday 29 th May 2023	Friday 2 nd June 2023
Open Evenings	Week commencing 3 rd July 2023	
Summer Holiday 2023	Monday 24 th July 2023	Thursday 31 st August 2023

Medical Information

Please update any new medical information or updates to the main office as soon as you can. Prescribed medication can be administered where needed. Please speak to the main office if you have any questions regarding this.

Attendance Information

Regular attendance at school is a crucial factor in improving your child's educational attainment and life chances. For information purposes, attendance is graded as follows by both the DfE and Ofsted:

100% to 99% ATTENDANCE	OUTSTANDING
98% to 97% ATTENDANCE	GOOD
96% to 95% ATTENDANCE	SATISFACTORY
94% to 91% ATTENDANCE	INADEQUATE
90% to 86% ATTENDANCE	CAUSE FOR CONCERN
85% ATTENDANCE AND BELOW	SERIOUS CONCERN

Homework

Homework tasks are set in each Year group throughout the year. Please contact your child's year group if you have any questions regarding homework, when it is set and how to support your child's learning.

Welcome slides and Meetings

All information you need regarding the coming year will be available to you through Seesaw and on the school website. If you have any further questions regarding the coming year, please see your child's teacher. There will be opportunity to come to a meeting within the coming weeks which outlines the year ahead, including any residential visits that are planned for your child's year group. These meetings will be held in our West Hall, after school. Further information on this will follow.

New timings of the day

Please remember that the school day has changed. School starts at 8:50am and all classes finish at 3:20pm. Nursery times are shared on our school website. Gates will open from 8:30am on a morning and will open between 3:00pm and 3:05pm. If you can use the one-way system established during the pandemic, the flow of people entering and exiting our school site will flow more easily and make it easier and safer for everyone. Please park carefully for the safety of all of our children and with consideration for our neighbours.

Please check our Feelgood Friday Newsletter for weekly updates of school news and information. This is shared through Parent pay and shared as a link on Facebook each week.

Thank you and see you all next week,

Team at Normanby