

# Northstead News

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a restful break and are feeling refreshed as we enter the second half of the spring term. The coming weeks promise to be an exciting and busy time, filled with opportunities for learning, growth and community engagement.

As the days grow longer and signs of spring begin to appear, we look forward to a term filled with enriching experiences for our students. From academic achievements to extracurricular activities, trips and special events, there is so much to celebrate and anticipate. Our dedicated staff continue to work hard to provide an inspiring and supportive environment where every child can thrive.

Thank you for your continued support in making our school such a wonderful place for learning. Please take a moment to read through this newsletter to stay up to date with all the exciting things happening this term.



Don't forget  
parents'  
evening!

If you haven't done so already, please book a time slot to visit your child's class teacher(s). A great opportunity to view their learning and to discuss the progress they have made this year.

Please book by clicking the following link:  
[click here](#)

# Misinformation

**Misinformation—false or inaccurate information, especially that which is deliberately intended to deceive.**

This week, misinformation on various facebook groups has caused some distress to staff (and their families) working in our school and also to some of our parents and carers.

Then—Yesterday, an e-mail from Carla Fowler (Look North Reporter) was shared online to various facebook groups.

Today, I have spoken to Carla Fowler in regards to this.

Carla will not be running any story about our school.

**All official communication will always come from school at the appropriate time and from the appropriate person.**

Like we teach our children.....

**THINK before you write.**

- **Is it TRUE?**
- **Is it HELPFUL?**
- **Is it INSPIRING?**
- **Is it NECESSARY?**
- **Is it KIND?**

# Playground Markings

Look out for some exciting new playground markings which will be done in the next few weeks.

These have been funded through Sports Premium money with a focus on using the markings to engage more children in activity over playtimes and lunchtimes.

The markings have a focus on fitness based activities but we also have been able to include other markings for children to play and learn from.



• SHROVE •  
*Tuesday*



In order to help with the smooth running of school, **please, please, please** ensure that your permission slip has been returned allowing your child to leave early on Tuesday. These need to be returned by the end of school on Monday at the latest.

Any child who has not returned a slip will not be permitted to leave early.

Collection time for children leaving early is between 1:05—1:10pm only.

## World Book Day—Thursday 6th March

Once again, we will be celebrating World Book Day in school. Our theme this year will be “BIG UP YOUR BOOK,” where teachers will have the opportunity to big up some of their most loved stories and authors and share these with their class. Children will have opportunity to be creative throughout the day, completing activities based around their book or author.

Dressing up is optional (casual clothes are permitted), but each class teacher has chosen a theme for the children to follow.

Please look out for the world book day voucher which will be coming home with your child.



# RED NOSE DAY

## Red Nose Day—Friday 21st March

Children are encouraged to wear red and come to school with crazy hair in support of Comic Relief. The minimum donation suggested for this is 50p.

Year 6 will also be holding a bake sale, and for this we are asking for donations of cakes from the whole Northstead community. Please could you send any cakes into school on Friday 21st March for them to be sold to children on the day. Children may bring in up to £1.00 to spend at the bake sale if they wish.

Thank you for helping us to support this very worthy charity.



A big, warm welcome to Mrs Trousdale who has joined our teaching team. Mrs Trousdale comes with a wealth of experience and we are excited to have her joining the Northstead Community. She will work on a part-time basis alongside Miss Doolin in class 16.

Miss Seeley and Mrs Tindall will both commence maternity leave following the Easter holidays. We would like to wish them both well for their last half term with us.

Taking over from Mrs Tindall as class 1 teacher will be Mrs Stanforth-Kirk who was appointed following a selection process at the end of half term. We would like to say a huge welcome to the Northstead Community.

Mrs Clubley (Assistant Headteacher) will be returning to school before the Easter holidays and will be working in class 10 replacing Miss Seeley's teaching commitment.

### **A Polite Reminder**

For reasons of health and safety we ask parents/carers to ensure their children do not wear jewellery whilst in school.

Please see the jewellery section within the uniform policy [click here](#)

Thank you for your support with this.



Can we please request that all payments for school dinners / clubs / trips are paid for **in advance** using ParentPay.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

### Contact Details

Please could you make sure that school are kept up to date with any changes in address / phone number / e-mail so we have your current details on our system.

Many Thanks



### Upcoming dates for your diary

Thursday 6th March

World Book Day

Thursday 13th March

Y6 Parent / Teacher Consultations

17th—21st March

Y6 Mock SATS Week

Monday 17th March

Y1 Parent / Teacher Consultations

Tuesday 18th March

EYFS Parent / Teacher Consultations

Wednesday 19th March

Y5 Parent / Teacher Consultations

Friday 21st March

Red Nose Day

Tuesday 25th March

Y2 Parent / Teacher Consultations

Wednesday 26th March

Y3 Parent / Teacher Consultations

Thursday 27th March

Y4 Parent / Teacher Consultations

Wednesday 2nd April

FONS Bingo Event

Friday 4th April

Break up for Easter Holidays