

# NORTH DUFFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



*Growing Learners for Life*

**September Newsletter**

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new school year. The first two weeks back have been very good, all the children seemed to have settled into their new classes. Over the course of the year we will keep you informed of all the exciting times at North Duffield School via letters, Twitter and our school website. This includes development of our Forest School, a new health and fitness area and a sensory garden. The children will have opportunities to join one of our after school clubs, participate in events with other schools and the community and go on enjoyable and educational visits to museums, outdoor events and many more.

## **New Starters**

Welcome to all our Foundation Stage pupils. They seem to have been at North Duffield for longer than two weeks and are already showing how much they are enjoying school. We are sure this will continue as they “find their feet” at North Duffield.

## **Class Information**

Your child’s class teacher will have sent out a class newsletter with some information regarding homework and the curriculum they will study. Please contact your class teacher if you have not received a copy.

## **PE/ Uniform**

As part of our Home School Agreement we have an expected uniform for school and PE. Please can you make sure the children have the correct uniform, including black shoes.

Our PE kit is a white or red plain t-shirt, black or blue shorts, socks (not tights) and trainers or plimsols. In the winter children are encouraged to wear a tracksuit as we will try and go outside when the weather permits. PE kits need to be in school on a Monday and will be sent home on a Friday, at the moment we have a number of children without the correct kit for their lessons.

Please note the wearing of any jewellery, including watches and fit bits, is not permitted during PE. Ear rings should be taken out or we allow the children to tape them up with surgical tape.

## **Pencil Cases**

At school, we ask that children do not bring their own pencil cases and equipment into school. The school provides the children with what they will need. When children bring in their own equipment it causes a distraction in class and has led to items being lost or broken.

## **Snacks**

We encourage our pupils to bring in a snack for break time. The snack should be healthy, not for example chocolate, crisps, sweets or any peanut products. We also request that children do not bring in any food containing nuts.

Children in Class 1 and Class 2 are entitled to free fruit as a snack.

## **Agreed Code of Conduct**

Every member of staff follows an agreed code of conduct whilst working at school. We are aware, as parents, that sometimes you may not agree or have an issue with our procedures, policies or an incident at school. The staff and I are always happy to discuss any issues you may have at an appropriate time. However, no matter what the issue, the school does have a zero tolerance on aggressive behaviours towards staff. Any such behavior may result in you being asked to return when you are calm enough to resolve/discuss the situation appropriately, which is not in the interest of the children or dealing with the situation.

If you do have any concerns regarding your child please speak to the class teacher who will always look to solve the issue as soon as possible. If you still have a concern please make an appointment to speak to myself or Mrs Mounfield (Assistant Headteacher).

Please remember we are here to provide the best for all the children and will do our utmost to sort any difficulties when we can.

## **Dates**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>September</b>	
Tuesday 16	Class 3 Hull Museum Trip
Monday 23	Barlby Cross Country Event
Thursday 26	Class 4 Trip to Hadrian's Wall Governing Body AGM
Monday 30	Class 5 Trip to Village Hall- Short Mat Bowling
<b>October</b>	
Wednesday 9	Harvest Festival
Thursday 10	Open the Book Assembly
Tuesday 17 Wednesday 16	Parents Consultations
Monday 21	Firefighters Collection- clothing donations
Tuesday 22	Individual Photographs
Thursday 24 October	Children last day before Half Term Holiday
Friday 25 October	Staff Training Day- children not in school Half Term Holiday
<b>November</b>	
Monday 4	Children return to school after holidays
Monday 11	Remembrance Service
Tuesday 19 to Monday 25	Book Fair
<b>December</b>	
Tuesday 10 December	KS1 Christmas Nativity
Wednesday 11 December	KS2 Christmas Carol Concert