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Weekly News – 10th November 2023

A message from Mrs Farren...



We are very excited to announce our new PTA: **Norton PTA**. We would like to thank the existing and new members for their work establishing and growing this vital school group. With government funding being low, schools need all the help they can get. Their slogan 'Many Helping Hands' says it all!

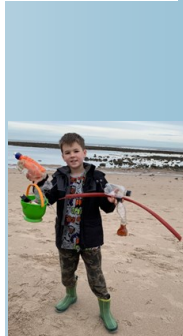
Norton PTA are planning a few Christmas fundraisers including a mini Christmas fayre straight after sharing assembly on 15th December. I'm sure it will be well attended. We will send more information nearer the time.

Children In Need—On Friday it is Children in Need. To support this charity, children can come to school in their pyjamas or, alternatively, non-school uniform if they prefer. Please bring a donation of at least £1. Thank you.

Have a wonderful weekend
Mrs Farren and Team Norton

Team Norton love this message and are so proud of Marcus for helping the environment. Also for reducing screen time and taking notice of the beauty in the world around him.

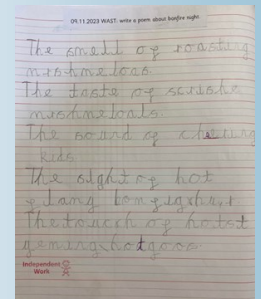
"Hi Mrs Farren. Last week during half term Marcus (and Tara) tried to clean up the beach. Each day they would go down to the beach and pick litter, in the wind, rain and sometimes calm weather too, although it was pretty freezing haha. Marcus has asked if I can send you a picture to show his efforts and how proud he is to help the sea life and the world from picking up bits of litter every day. If only everyone would do their part and maybe the world would be a nicer place to live. Ps we set down our electronics and really took in the beauty of our world and family around us."



Reception What a lovely first week back after half term. This week Reception Class have enjoyed talking about Fireworks; we have spent time watching videos of fireworks and talking about the colours, shapes and noises that they make. We have also linked this to their own experience of fireworks. Then we used all the descriptive language to write shape poems about fireworks, the children have worked hard to segment the words using their developing phonic knowledge. I am so pleased with their growing confidence and resilience when it comes to writing. We have also really enjoyed making repeating patterns using colours, objects, noises and actions.



Year 1 In English this week, the Year 1 children have been thinking of adjectives to describe what they can hear, see, taste, touch and smell when at a bonfire night event. They all had so many brilliant ideas that they used to create their own bonfire night poem.



In **Year 2** we have been learning about our Christian value 'Friendship'. We discussed what makes a good friend and identified the qualities we would like in a friend. We then looked at scenarios and discussed whether the children involved were being a good friend and identified about why/why not.

We have been looking at poetry in **Year 3** this week. We've been identifying rhyme schemes, vocabulary that gives us clues about emotions and how poems can tell stories too. In Design Technology we have begun looking at Bronze Age sculptures, evaluating what we like and why.

Year 4 Our new computing topic is audio editing so for our lesson this week we had a go at recording sentences to play back to the class. We discussed which devices can record and play sound, such as a phone or tablet. After listening to our recordings, we know that we need to talk in a clear voice and have no background noise.



This week **Year 5** have been learning about Anglo-Saxons. We have enjoyed learning about their gruesome nature and how they came to live in England. Using our Geography skills, we located their journeys and spotted some links between place names then and now.



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BOOK FAIR

During school time, your child will have the opportunity to view all the books available. They will be able to fill out a wish list form for any books that they like the look of. You will then be able to purchase the books after school with your child/ren.

There a limited number of books available. However, if you want to purchase one that has already been sold, we can order them into school for you once the purchase has been made. *All payment **must** be paid by 1pm on the Tuesday 21st.*

Where? Outside or in a KS2 classroom (weather dependent).

How do you pay? Pay by cash to a member of staff who will take note of the book you've purchased OR scan the QR code to pay online at school or at home. Then return the wish list back to school to show us the reference number and amount paid.



For the last few weeks in school, in music, **Year 6** have been studying the song Happy by Pharrell Williams with Mrs Frost. They have been learning to play the recorders and glockenspiels to this song and are sounding brilliant. On Monday the children performed to Mrs Farren. She was incredibly impressed.

Upcoming important dates...

- Book fair—15th until 21st November
- Children in Need—Friday 17th November
- Interim reports out—27th November
- Parent Consultations—28th & 30th November
- Christmas dinner—13th Dec (see next page)

Please remember...

- >contact your class teacher to book your parent consultation meeting
- >to pre-order your Christmas dinner by 24th Nov
- >you **must** complete a booking form for B&A if needed

ATTENDANCE TO DATE

96.31%

Next week's diary...

13th Nov 23	The School Day	After School	Lunch Menu (week 2)
Monday	Drop off your shoeboxes	Book Club Cross Country Times Table Rock Stars	Vegetable pasta bake Spinach & cheese whirl Jacket potato with beans or cheese
Tuesday	Drop off your shoeboxes	Gardening Club	Pork sausage Vegetable fajitas Jacket potato with beans, cheese or tuna mayo
Wednesday	Book fair	KS1 Football Dance Fitness	Roast turkey Vegan sausage Jacket potato with beans, cheese
Thursday	Book fair	KS2 Football Mindfulness Cooking	Greek chicken pitta BBA Quorn Jacket potato with beans, cheese or tuna mayo
Friday	Children in Need Book fair 2:40pm—Sharing Assembly		Fish fingers Cheese & tomato pizza Jacket potato with cheese or tuna mayo



Norton School Christmas Lunch Order by Friday, 24th November 2023

Christmas lunch will be served on Wednesday 13th December and the menu for the day is:

Roast Turkey with roast potatoes, stuffing and sausage
Or
Cheddar, spinach & cranberry puff pastry roll (vegetarian option)

All served with:

Roast Potatoes, carrots, peas and Cranberry sauce

Chocolate Frosted Christmas Sponge

There are **no other menu choices** on the day and all Christmas meals must be ordered by **Friday 24th November**.

Of course your child is welcome to bring in a packed lunch if they do not want the cooked meal.

JUNIORS – The cost of the meal is £2.54 unless they are registered for free school meals. Payment should be made in the usual way using ParentPay online or at a Paypoint.

INFANTS – there is no charge (Universal Infant Free School Meals). You still need to complete and return your order.

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Christmas Lunch 2023

Send in to School by Friday 24th November

Child/ren's Name/s.....

Class/es.....



Would like:

Roast Turkey

Cheddar, Spinach
& Cranberry Puff

bringing in
packed lunch