

Weekly News – 20th November 2023

A message from Mrs Farren...

Thank you - Acts 20:35 '...remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' This week, Norton school received 56 shoe boxes for the Christmas appeal. This level of generosity is incredible and will bring joy to many lives- thank you.

Who gets the shoeboxes?

Your shoebox will be given to a vulnerable child, or family, through schools, nurseries, hospitals and orphanages. The charity's aim is that each box is given in relationship with the local community as part of a long-term commitment to these children. Thank you for being a part of this ongoing story that is continuing to impact and change lives by donating a shoebox to this year's appeal!

Where do the shoeboxes go?

This year the shoeboxes will be heading to the Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia, Bosnia and Romania.

Today is '**Children In Need**'. Once again, Team Norton would like to thank you for your generosity. We raised **£134.42** for this appeal.

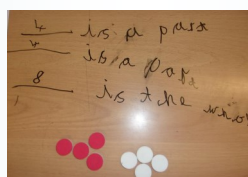
Car Park - As you know, the Village Hall car park will be closed for the week commencing 4 December for resurfacing and for the relocation of the entrance and erection of a height restriction barrier. This work is important, urgent and necessary but has not been organised by the school but rather the village hall committee. In order to mitigate traffic and safety issues during this time, the community and school governors will be holding a public meeting to discuss how any potential parking problems might be addressed during the week when the car park is closed. The public meeting is being chaired by me (the school's headteacher). This meeting will take place on Tuesday 21st November at 6pm in the school. You are all welcome. Following this meeting, a clear plan of action will be sent to all parents so that the community, school, parents and committee are clear on roles and responsibilities during this week.

Have a wonderful weekend
Mrs Farren and Team Norton



Reception This week we have been learning about the Hindu festival; Diwali. The children followed instructions incredibly well and made a Diwali lantern each, which are hanging beautifully in class. We have used this as a stimulus for writing and have written their own instructions. They have also created some Diya lamps to bring home and light. We have also started to sing the songs for the Nativity!!!

In Maths this week, the **Year 1** children have been using a variety of manipulatives to find the parts and whole amounts of numbers. They have done so well at saying the sentences out loud and writing their answers down.



What a busy week we have had in **Year 2**! We have been continuing our diary writing, counted and looked for patterns when counting in 2s, 5s and 10s in maths and made friendship posters to give to our friends

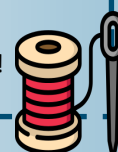
Year 3 This week in Year 3 we have been making connections between addition and subtraction. We have been spotting when we will need to exchange into the next place value column. In English we explored our Christian value of Friendship and anti-bullying day by creating a poem about the emotions that friendship and kindness make us feel. We really enjoyed this story and wanted to share it with you, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SRJqmRPO0II>.



We had a great Egyptian Day in **Year 4** this week! We learnt about mummification and mummified some tomatoes. We had a go at creating Egyptian boats using only straws and string (trickier than we first thought!). They had to be able to float on water and hold up to 5 toy people.



This week **Year 5** have learned how to thread a needle and do a running and overlap sewing stitch, Every child showed incredible resilience and determination!



Strive

Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.

Isaiah 40:31

Think

How much better to get wisdom than gold.

Proverbs, Chapter 16:16

Act

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity.

Psalms 133: 1

Respect

Blessed are those who are hungry for justice. They will be filled.

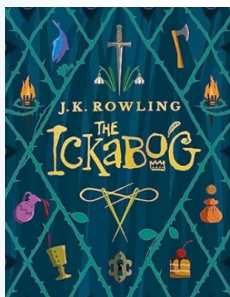
Matthew's gospel, chapter 5



I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life.

John 8:12

Year 6 We have now finished our reading for pleasure book, October, October. Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed this read. They were completely invested in October's emotional journey and how her relationship with her parents changed throughout the book. We will now be reading *The Ickabog* by J.K. Rowling - We will be finding out if there is a vicious Ickabog lurking in the Marshlands, or if the Ickabog is simply a make believe monster.



BOOK FAIR

The children and staff have loved our book fair.
Thank you for supporting this and encouraging our children to read.



School photo proof cards are being sent home tonight. Please order online by 26th November to get free delivery to school. Orders placed after this date will be subject to postage.

Please remember...

- >to book your parent consultation meeting
- >to pre-order your Christmas dinner by 24th Nov
- >to ring the school before 9:15am if your child is absent.
- >you **MUST** complete a booking form for B&A if needed

Upcoming important dates...

- Book fair—until 21st November
- Interim reports out—27th November
- Parent Consultations—28th & 30th November
- Christmas dinner—13th December

Next week's diary...

20th Nov 23	The School Day	After School	Lunch Menu (week 3)
Monday	Book fair	Book Club Cross Country Times Table Rock Stars	Lentil & sweet potato curry Tomato Arrabiata pasta Jacket potato with beans or cheese
Tuesday	Book fair	Gardening Club	Chicken & broccoli pasta Cheese & tomato Pizza Jacket potato with beans, cheese or tuna mayo
Wednesday		KS1 Football Dance Fitness	Roast gammon Vegan Quorn Jacket potato with beans or cheese
Thursday		KS2 Football Mindfulness Cooking	Cottage Pie Vegan burger Jacket potato with beans, cheese or tuna mayo
Friday	2:40pm—Sharing Assembly		Fish Fingers Cheese & red pepper frittata Jacket potato with cheese or tuna mayo