



## TERM 1, ISSUE 1 (2023-24)

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Dear Parents,

A HUGE welcome back to a new school year. The children have all settled quickly into new routines and have started the year very focused and ready to learn. It has been great to see everyone again and catch up with the latest news. We would like to share an extra special welcome to our new pupils and their families. Mia, Callie, Dougie, Ava, Everly, Freddie, Ethan, Parker, Vienna, Arben, Jake, Zayne, Avie, Hayden and Ellis have all joined us in Pluto Class. We are really looking forward to getting to know our new pupils over the coming weeks and terms.

Mrs Sarah Stillie

### WATER BOTTLES

Please can **ALL** children have a named water bottle with a sports cap or spout, in school every day. These are kept on their tables so they can have a drink during the day. Children are encouraged to take them home daily for cleaning and refilling. Children can refill their water bottles during the day and are encouraged to keep fluid levels up.



### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

This week, our sporting clubs, run by Proformance Coaching, start for pupils in Mars Class, Neptune Class and Jupiter Class pupils. There are some spaces left in KS2 Football and Hockey. Please book these via the link on the school website:

<https://www.northroadprimaryschool.co.uk/clubs/>

These clubs will finish the week commencing **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**.

Staff led clubs start the week of **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September** and are live to book on Arbor now. These clubs will run until the week commencing **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November**.

**All places in clubs are booked on a first come, first served basis.**



### ROLEY'S WRAP-AROUND CARE



This term we are excited to officially add Roley's Childcare Club to our wrap-around provision.

As with Breakfast Club, spaces need to be booked and paid for in advance. Ad hoc spaces are available subject to availability and must be booked and paid for by the end of the school day prior to the required session. Breakfast Club costs £2:50 per child, per session and Roley's Afterschool Club cost £9 per child and runs from 3:15pm until 5:45pm. An initial registration form **must be completed** before any booking and payment can be made. The Registration forms are available on the school website in the 'Office/Wrap-Around Care' tab

### SCHOOL MOBILE PHONE POLICY

Please may I remind you that we have a NO PHONE POLICY at our school. Whilst on the school site, mobile phones must be kept away in a pocket or bag. This includes on the school playground during the start and end of the day. This is in place to ensure the safety of pupils and is part of our safeguarding policy. Thank you for your co-operation.



### FRIENDS OF NORTH ROAD

Would you like to get to know other parents in school? Do you have great ideas for fun events to run for our pupils?

Could you spare an hour or two a term?

Could you help to plan, organise or be a 'helping hand' at fundraising events?

If the answer is 'yes' to any of the questions above then becoming a member of Friends of North Road is just for you!

Our Friends of North Road has a very small but dedicated team but they desperately need more members to join so that events such as the Halloween Disco and Youth Clubs are able to go ahead this year. To express an interest or to find out more information, please pop into or email the main office.

### MACMILLAN EVENT

## MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

School Council will be holding a Coffee and Cake event in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September** from **1:45pm until 3pm** in the school hall. Please can you support their fundraising by donating homemade or shop bought cakes. Please can cakes be brought into school on the morning of Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September. Please come along and support the event and bring friends and neighbours with you! You will also be able to collect your children from their classrooms to join you for an afternoon sweet treat! Thank you in advance for your support.



### STARS OF NORTH ROAD

At the end of our first week back at school, we said congratulations to Frankie, Xanthe, Georgie and the whole of Neptune Class who were all awarded a North Road Star! Well done everyone.

## OPEN CLASSROOM AFTERNOON – DATE FOR THE DIARY

On **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October from 2pm**, we would like to invite you to come into school for our Autumn Term Open Classroom afternoon when you will have the opportunity to look through your child's books with them ahead of the Parent's Evening in November.

## PARKING REMINDER

Please can we politely remind you **NOT** to park directly opposite the school or across any of the driveways of our neighbours on North Road. Please continue to park in the car park of The Codrington Arms or The Fox and take a healthy walk down to school. There is also limited parking allocated on the school side of the road adjacent to the playground. Please park responsibly and consider the safety of our families, pupils and other road users. Thank you.

## LUNCH BOX REMINDER

Please look carefully when packing your child's lunchbox, as we are a **Nut Free School**. Food containing nuts or traces of nuts **must not** be brought into school, this includes Nutella chocolate spread. In addition, as a Healthy School, sweets and chocolate bars **must not** be included in your child's lunch box. Please remember all food packaging should be able to be opened independently by your child. Thank you for your support.

Attendance Matters



## ATTENDANCE AND SCHOOL TIME ABSENCE REQUEST

Our School Policy (in line with the DfE Education Regulations and local schools) states that parents may request a holiday **only in exceptional circumstances**. This request must be put in writing to the Head Teacher, at **least two weeks before**, fully explaining the reason for the request. The Head Teacher will consider each request carefully and will look at the child's attendance over the last twelve months.

The Attendance Policy, **including information of the issuing of fines for school time holidays**, can be found on the school website and at the following link.

<https://www.northroadprimaryschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Attendance-Policy-2022.pdf>

Permission for absence will only be granted in exceptional circumstances, where the reason for the request is very clear.



## TERM 1 2023-2024 DATES FOR THE DIARY

20/09 – 22/9/23	Year 6 Residential to Oxenwood
27/09/23	Macmillan Tea Party Afternoon – 2pm
28/09/23	Individual Photos
10/10/23	HELLO YELLOW DAY – Young Minds. More details To follow
11/10/23	Open Classrooms – from 2pm
16/10/23	Harvest Celebration Assembly – KS2 2pm
17/10/23	Harvest Celebration Assembly – EYFS and KS1 2pm
20/10/23	Last day of Term 1

## INSET DAYS 2023– 2024

Friday 1 September 2023  
Monday 2 October 2023  
Monday 30 October 2023  
Tuesday 2 January 2024  
Friday 21 June 2024

## RACE NIGHT IN AID OF KIDNEY CARE UK



Georgie's mum, Becky, is taking part in the London Marathon next year and running for Kidney Care UK. As part of her fundraising efforts, she is holding a Race Night at Chipping Sodbury Rugby Club, The Ridings. Tickets are just £2 and can be purchased from Becky. Please support Becky if you are able.