

# Autumn Newsletter



## Welcome to our new staff:

*Miss Sleigh has replaced Mrs Smallwood in Y5.*

*Miss Pinder is back from her travels she is teaching in Y3.*

*Miss J Smith has replaced Mrs Sutcliffe as School Business Manager.*

## Updates

The work on the new play equipment is nearly complete. We have had quite a few window frames replaced over the summer holidays.

The Summer Multi Activity event was very successful attracting over 500 children from all over the borough.

## **Class Assemblies**

All parents/carers are welcome to attend any Friday morning assembly (8.50 am). Coffee is served afterwards.

**29th September Harvest**

**6th October Year 2**

**13th October Year 4**

**3rd November Year 3**

**10th November Year 5**

**17th November Anti-bullying**

**24th November Year 6**

**Welcome back** to a new school year! It has been a pleasure to see how well our children have settled into their new classes and are ready to

## **ASPIRE, ACHIEVE AND ATTAIN.**

We produce a newsletter every half term and they can be found on our website [www.norden.rochdale.sch.uk](http://www.norden.rochdale.sch.uk). We will continue to use our text messaging service when needed which has proved very successful and is popular with parents. Don't forget to inform the school office, if you change your mobile phone number. News about our school events and activities can be found each week in the schools news section of the Rochdale Observer, on our website and new Facebook page.

## **School Lunch & Dinner Money**

Universal free school meals are still available for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Y2. They no longer apply once your child moves into Key Stage 2 (Year 3 onwards). This means that unless your child is entitled to free school meals, you will need to pay for meals in advance on a MONDAY. Thank you to all the parents who have sent in their dinner money for the term - it makes our life so much easier! School dinners cost £2.10 per day, £67.20 until half term or £147.00 for the whole term.

## **School Uniform & P.E. Kit**

Please ensure your child's name is displayed clearly in their uniform, coat and P.E. kit. This helps us identify and return items of clothing when they are found around school. All children need a plain white t-shirt, black shorts & black pumps. Pupils in Key Stage 2 also need trainers, jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt for outdoor P.E.

Children taking part in after school sports activities will need additional kit.

## **Contact & Medical Forms**

Medical and contact forms have been sent out. If you haven't already done so, please sign and return them as soon as possible amending if necessary. Medical forms need to be sent back to school even if it's a nil return. Don't forget to tell the school office if your contact number changes during the year.



WEDNESDAY 11th OCTOBER 2017

9.30AM & 1.30PM

Nursery and Reception places for September 2018

For prospective parents/carers of children born between

1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015

Tel:01706 641013 or email [office@norden.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:office@norden.rochdale.sch.uk)

### Taking Holidays in Term Time

Any holidays taken during term time cannot be authorised. Other absences will only be authorised if the circumstances are exceptional and proof of this is attached to the request for leave form.

The local Authority can give you a fine of £60 per child, which rises to £120 if you don't pay within 21 days. If you don't pay the fine after 28 days you may be prosecuted for your child's absence from school.

### EID Holidays

The maximum authorised holidays for EID is two days in each academic year. This allocation encompasses both EID celebrations. If any additional leave is taken it will be unauthorised

### Website—[www.norden.rochdale.sch.uk](http://www.norden.rochdale.sch.uk)

We are in the process of updating our website! It could take up to six weeks before it is up and running efficiently however, it can still be accessed in its old form until the new updates are completed.

We have now set up several Facebook pages for school namely:- Norden Community Primary School , Norden Community Activities & Norden Multi Activity.

Please like our pages so we can keep you instantly up-to-date with School news



#### September

22nd Daily Mile Celebration Day  
29th Harvest Assembly followed by our MacMillan Coffee Morning in the small hall.

#### October

11th School Open Day  
16th Full Governing Body meeting at 7 pm  
19th Photographer in for individual & Family photos  
20th INSET DAY—school closed for children

#### HALF TERM 23rd-27th October

30th Return to school after half term

#### November

7th Parents Evening—late 5-8pm  
8th Parents Evening—early-3.15-6 pm  
13th Anti-bullying week  
30th Whole school pantomime Middleton Arena

#### December

5th FS Nativity Play 9.30am  
6th FS Nativity Play 2.15pm  
12th Unit 1 Nativity Play 2pm & 6.30pm  
19th Carol Service at St Paul's' Norden  
19th School Christmas Lunch  
20th Christmas Parties  
20th Last Day of Term  
4th January 2018—Children return to school (Thursday)

PTA News...The first meeting is on Monday 26th September at 7.00pm in the Staffroom.

# Harvest Festival

Friday 29th September 2017



Headteacher: Mrs L Cotton