



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

24th April 2026

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A message from Mrs Farren...

Last Saturday, a small group of staff, parents and children (organised by Mrs Copper, Mrs Higgins and Miss Eaton) gave up their Saturday morning to reorganise the playground. We now have clearly defined areas including a construction area, a stage and a quiet area. We have new play equipment and the children are really enjoying all on offer. I would like to thank the staff, parents and children who gave up their time to make our school playtimes more fun!



Play is an important part of learning. When children play, they are learning the skills of turn taking, problem solving and communication. They are learning to negotiate and learning to be resilient. At school, we use our school STAR vision to support learning and play behaviours. Why not use our **STAR** vision (**Strive, think, act, respect**) when celebrating or reinforcing positive behaviours at home!

Have a wonderful weekend
Mrs Farren and Team Norton

Class News – 24th April 2026

This week in **Little Learners** we have enjoyed the lovely weather, and have spent a lot of time exploring our outdoor learning areas. On Wednesday, Little Learners went to explore the willow trees and balancing beams on the school field. We had such a lovely time embracing the natural world around us. We have also enjoyed exploring mathematical skills whilst making playdough, and we have practiced our problem solving skills as we used a variety of containers to transport water.

Reminder- Please can you all sign the sun cream permissions sheet. We will apply sun cream according to your preference (our own Little Learners Sun cream, or your own from home that will be kept here at Little Learners). Little Learners should all have sun cream applied before session. Please ensure they also have a sun hat. Thank you.



A brilliant part of **Year 1**'s week this week was Science on Tuesday. We were looking at the features of a plant and went over to the outdoor learning area to label a strawberry plant. We then joined in with Reception's outdoor learning afternoon and had a brilliant time on the obstacle course, hunting for bugs, digging and much much more!

This week, the **Year 3** children hosted their very own Olympics, linking closely to our History topic on Ancient Greece. They explored the differences between ancient times and the modern day, and had great fun taking part. This hands-on experience helped deepen their understanding of the topic. The children have also been working very hard in Science, where they have been learning about friction. As part of this, they carried out an experiment using a ramp, a toy car and different materials to investigate which surface produced the least friction.

This week, within reading in **Year 5**, we discussed the story of King Arthur's Knights of the Round Table. Our narrative is about a boy called Gareth whose one dream is to become one of these Knights.

This week in **Reception**, the children explored music through The Teddy Bears' Picnic. They enjoyed moving to the music and thinking carefully about what they could hear.

We talked about:

Tempo – Was the music fast or slow?

Pitch – Were the sounds high or low?

Dynamics – Was the music loud or quiet?

The children shared their thoughts and reflected on how the song made them feel. They all said they really enjoyed the lesson, and many described the music as making them feel happy. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm and creativity as they responded to the music through movement.

In **Year 2** this week we have explored new vocabulary from our class text 'The King Who Banned the Dark'. We started our new geography topic 'An Island Home' and explored the Isle of Coll through photographs. In groups, we discussed what you could see there, what you might do there, what jobs there might be and what wildlife you might see. We listened to each others ideas and shared our own with the class.

A busy week in **Year 4**! Some of the boys enjoyed a team building morning whilst the rest of us learnt about Earth Day. In English, we have written a sea creature description using fronted adverbials, adjectives and pronouns. In science, we attempted to make 'oobleck' to see how a material can be both a solid and a liquid. In art, we trialled some splatter art inspired by the artist Jackson Pollock.



This week in **Year 6**, we have been learning about the heart, how it is a muscle and the different chambers. We have also been revising our reading, maths and SPAG skills ready for May

Important Information Pages

Hi everyone!

Just a quick reminder to keep an eye on our Important Information Pages. These pages include everything you need to know about what's happening in school — from deadlines and updates to details about companies we work with, like School Trends, catering and music lessons.

Things can change week to week, so it's worth checking back regularly to stay up to date. Thanks for keeping in the loop!





Teacher led clubs

All clubs will end at 4pm, collection will be from the playground gate. *Please note that some clubs may begin earlier at 3:15 where staffing allows, as certain staff members are not dismissing a class at the end of the day; all other clubs will continue to start at 3:30pm once staff have safely sent their classes home.*

Clubs will take place in all weathers.

Club texts have gone out today (Friday 24th April)

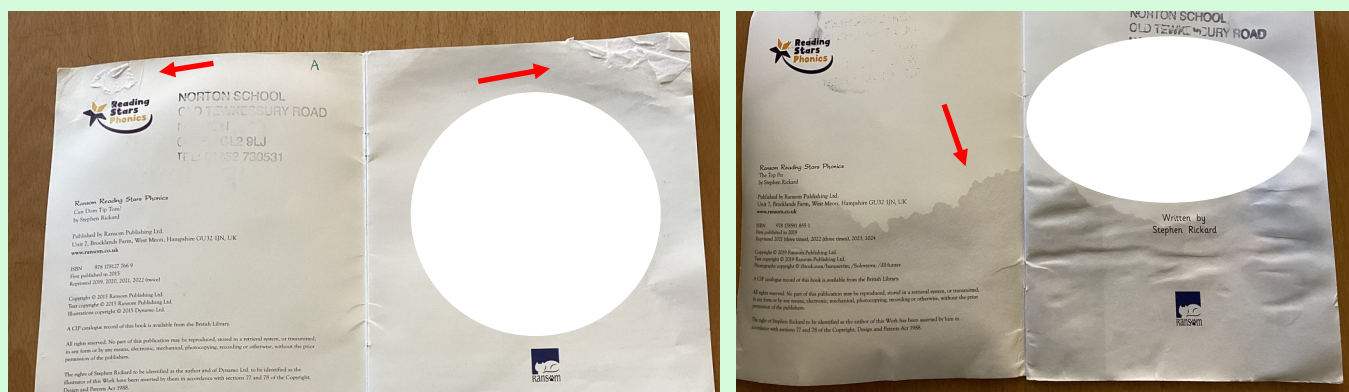
Club availability:

<u>Monday</u>	Football (R - Y3) Fitness (Y3 - Y6)	FULL 5 spaces
<u>Tuesday</u>	Football (Y4 - Y6)	2 spaces
<u>Wednesday</u>	Athletics (Y3 - Y6) Mindful colouring (R - Y6)	3 spaces FULL
<u>Thursday</u>	Athletics (R - Y2) Lego (R - Y6) Outdoor learning (Y1 - Y2) Gardening (Y1 - Y6) Dance (Y2 - Y6)	4 spaces FULL 6 spaces 3 spaces 6 spaces

If you would like to sign up to one of these clubs please come to the school office.

Respect and Care for Our Resources

We have recently had several reading books returned to school in a badly damaged condition (*see below image*). Please ensure that your child keeps their reading book safely stored—away from water bottles—and takes good care of it at home.



While we understand that accidents can happen, we may need to request a contribution towards the cost of replacing any damaged books.

Our school values teach us about respect—not only for one another, but also for property. This includes all items purchased by the school.

As a primary school, our budget is limited, so when we invest in books, playground equipment, classroom resources and stationery, we rely on everyone to treat them with care. Unfortunately, we do not have the funds to replace items that are unnecessarily damaged or broken.

Thank you for your understanding and for helping us ensure that all school items are cared for and respected.



Pupil Health and Safety Information



Healthy Snack Reminder

Only Healthy Snacks in School Please!

Healthy Snack Ideas:

- Fresh Fruit
- Vegetables
- Cheese
- Crackers

We Are a Nut Free School!

No Nuts Allowed!

— Due to Nut Allergies —

Please Do Not Send:

- No Sweets
- No Sugary Cereal Bars
- No Fizzy Drinks
- No Sweetened Drinks
- No Fizzy Drinks
- No Fizzy Drinks

Thank you for helping us keep our children Healthy & Safe!

To see how much sugar is in some of your snacks/drinks... check out Miss Middlecote's sugar shock display in the junior corridor...



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What's Happening

GAMES & STALLS

EVERYONE'S WELCOME TO JOIN US TO CELEBRATE..

BBQ & BAR

**150 YEARS OF
NORTON C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL**

NORTON PLAYING FIELD

SATURDAY 6TH JUNE

3PM ONWARDS

FREE ENTRY

**INFLATABLES - TIME CAPSULE - ART COMPETITION - FACE PAINTING - RAFFLE - GAMES -
TUG OF WAR - RUGBY - TREASURE HUNT - ICE CREAMS - BBQ - BAR**



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LUNCHES

Price increases from April

From 1st April our catering costs will be increasing for all paid dinners. Please see below for new prices.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 - £2.95

Little Learners - £3.00

New menu from w/c 13th April:

GCC Spring Summer 2026		 Meat Free	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	Fish	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE 13 April 4 May 1 June 22 June 13 July 7 September 28 September 19 October	Option One		Tomato Pasta 	 Sausage Roll with Potato Wedges & Tomato Ketchup	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	 Spaghetti Bolognese		Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
	Option Two		NEW Cheese and Pepper Whirl with Herby Rice	NEW Soya Mince Pasta Bake	Vegan Sausage, Roast Potatoes & Gravy 	Coconut Curry with Rice 		NEW Cheesy Broccoli Frittata with Chips and Tomato Ketchup
	Jacket Potato		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings including Salmon Mayonnaise
	Vegetables		Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day		Baked Beans and Peas
	Dessert		Oaty Cookie 	NEW Orange Drizzle Cake	Ice Cream with Fresh Fruit	Carrot Cake with Custard		Strawberry Jelly with Peaches 
WEEK TWO 20 April 11 May 8 June 29 June 20 July 14 September 5 October	Option One		Vegan Meatballs with Spaghetti 	Beef Burger with Cheese in a Bun with Potato Wedges & Tomato Ketchup	Roast Gammon, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	NEW Peri-Peri Chicken with Herby Rice, Sweetcorn & Cucumber Salsa		Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
	Option Two		Cheese and Tomato Pizza with New Potatoes 	Sweet Potato Curry with Rice 	Roast Quorn, Roast Potatoes & Gravy 	Macaroni Cheese		Vegan Sausage with Chips and Tomato Ketchup 
	Jacket Potato		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings
	Vegetables		Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day		Baked Beans and Peas
	Dessert		Golden Syrup Snap Biscuit 	Peach Crumble with Custard 	Fruit Medley 	Chocolate Brownie	NEW Orange & Lemon Shortbread 	
WEEK THREE 27 April 18 May 15 June 6 July 31 August 21 September 12 October	Option One		Summer Pizza with New Potatoes 	Spaghetti Meatballs	Roast Pork, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Greek Chicken Pitta with Herby Rice and Tzatziki		Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
	Option Two		Tomato Pasta Bake 	Vegan Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges & Tomato Ketchup 	Vegetable Loaf, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy 	Vegan Bolognese with Pasta 		Cheese and Bean Pasty with Chips and Tomato Ketchup
	Jacket Potato		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings		Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings
	Vegetables		Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day	Vegetables of the Day		Baked Beans and Peas
	Dessert		Chocolate Shortbread 	Apple Pie with Custard	Iced Vanilla Sponge	Summer Lemon Cake		Ice Cream with Peaches
MENU KEY		 Added Plant Protein	 Wholemeal	 Vegan	ALLERGY INFORMATION: If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of allergen cross contact.			
Available Daily: - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings where available - Bread freshly baked on site daily- Daily salad selection - Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt								

LUNCHES

Caterlink newsletter:

Spring Summer Newsletter Primary Schools

Welcome back to the Summer term!

We wanted to take an opportunity to give some insight into our food, and the projects we deliver to ensure your children get nutritious food to give them the energy to learn, explore and play at school.

We believe that it is not only our responsibility to provide menus that meet the School Food Standards, but also to focus on wider public health projects that link in with national and local initiatives.

Here are some of the projects we worked on over the past year...

Food For Life

Everyone eating a Caterlink primary school lunch can be sure that they are eating from a menu that meets the Food For Life Served Here Silver standard, at a minimum.

2009
Caterlink were the first contract caterer to achieve the award and have achieved the award every year since!

2025
We then became the first contract caterer to achieve full certification for all our primary schools across the UK!

What does it mean?

COOKED FROM SCRATCH
At least 95% of our meals are freshly prepared.

LOCAL FOOD
At Silver and Gold levels, we are awarded for using local ingredients.

SEASONAL PRODUCE
Menus make the most of seasonal ingredients.

MORE OF THE GOOD STUFF
Free from unnecessary additives, colourings and sweeteners.

We can trace our meat **BACK TO THE FARM**

Nutritious Menus

Fibre In the most recent menu, children were offered 100% of their school lunch fibre goal! How did we manage this?

Using oats in our desserts, such as crumble toppings, flapjacks and oat cookies

Using 50/50 brown and white rice to serve with dishes like curry and chillies

Using 50/50 wholemeal flour for our pizza base

Adding beans and pulses to meat dishes (our Added Plant Protein range)

Our 'Fibre Heroes'!

Chicken & Coconut Curry
4.7g fibre

Tomato & Vegetable Pasta
4.5g fibre

% of recommended fibre (6.7g) in a Caterlink school meal

Year	% of recommended fibre
2024 - 2025	89%
2025 - 2026	100%

Fruits and Vegetables

The Stats: Scientists have proven that people who eat a more diverse diet (**30+ different plants each week**) have improved digestion and improved overall health.

Children who choose a Caterlink school meal daily have **over 25 different plants per week** just in their school meals!

26 Autumn & Winter 25
Number of Plant Points (Main, Side and Dessert)

28 Spring Summer 25

Each Caterlink school meal offers an average of 2.5 portions of fruit and veg - over half of your five a day!

Plant Point Hero
Chicken & Coconut Curry
Includes: Black turtle beans, 5 different vegetables and 3 spices
14.75 Plant points

Plant Point Hero
Tomato & Vegetable Pasta
Includes: 5 types of beans, 4 vegetables, 4 spices and stock
13.5 Plant points

Sugar Reduction

Since September 2016 we have ensured that our lunches not only meet the government recommendations for free sugars, but are actually much lower!

Last term five out of the fifteen desserts offered contained **NO** sugar!

Pre-2016 Caterlink average: **13.6**

In the last school year school lunches contained just 3.3g of free sugar on average!

Suggested maximum per school meal: 6.5

2024-2025 average: **3.8**

42% lower than guidelines!

Sustainable Food

ProVeg School Plates Sustainability Award

Caterlink came 1ST in the ProVeg UK Top 25 Contract Caterer Ranking

What is the School Plates Project?

This programme aims to make school food healthier and more sustainable by increasing and promoting plant-based content on school menus.

What did we do?

- Repositioned the menus to list the vegetarian options at the top
- Used descriptive and positive language for plant-based dishes
- Blended plant proteins into dishes to help boost fibre (e.g. beans & lentils)
- Increased the diversity of plants on our menus

Our kitchen team all received training in plant-based cooking techniques.

Carbon Footprint

Since 2016, we have undertaken numerous initiatives to lower the carbon footprint we generate from our menus, such as:

- Consistently implementing Meat Free Mondays
- Introducing more vegan dishes (70% of the vegetarian dishes are now vegan)
- Continuing our 'Added Plant Protein' project

Last year alone, we reduced carbon emissions by almost

7 million kilograms

The amount of carbon saved over the past year, just from the menu initiatives is equivalent to...

Driving 1,568 cars for a year

OR

111,177 trees planted and grown for 10 years

*Based on 2024/2025 meal numbers of 35m meals; 70% choosing meat option, 10% choosing vegetarian option, 20% choosing jacket potato



TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES

Supporting Trips and Enrichment Activities at Norton

At Norton, we feel incredibly fortunate to be able to organise a wide range of trips, workshops and activities that enhance your children's learning. These experiences provide valuable knowledge, broaden horizons and create lasting memories during their time at our school.

In order to offer these opportunities, we do ask families for financial contributions. As these contributions are voluntary, we cannot demand payment. However, if we do not receive sufficient contributions to cover the cost of a trip or activity, we will unfortunately have no choice but to cancel it moving forward.

The cost of coaches, entrance fees, and external providers visiting school continues to rise. Regrettably, the school budget is not able to absorb these increasing costs. We are extremely grateful to our PTA for the support they provide; however, they are not able to fully fund every activity we organise. This is why parental contributions remain essential.

We are mindful of the financial pressures on families and carefully limit the number of trips and activities across the year to avoid frequent requests for contributions. Our aim is always to provide enriching experiences without placing unnecessary burden on parents. However, we would much rather continue offering these opportunities than cancel them altogether.

For example, for the Diwali workshops that took place in November, we received only 56% of the total. This meant the school had to cover the remaining £613.50.

All trips and activities are available on ParentPay, and if you are in a position to do so, you are still able to contribute towards any events that have taken place earlier this academic year. We can accept cash, cheques or you can pay through the parentpay app or at a parentpay paypoint (if you would like details of a paypoint please ask the office)

We are truly grateful for your continued support in helping us provide these valuable experiences for your children. Without sufficient contributions, we will regrettably need to begin cancelling future trips and activities. If you are unable to pay for a trip/activity please call Mrs Farren as we are here to support you.

Thank you for your understanding and ongoing support.



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TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES

Year 3 class trip

This trip is now on parentpay.



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24th April 2026

Dear Parents / Carers

Re: Y3 Cotswold Farm Park Trip

On Wednesday 20th May 2026, Year 3 will be visiting Cotswold Farm Park for an exciting school trip. This visit supports our current English and Science topics and will provide the children with a valuable hands-on learning experience. Throughout the day, the children will take part in a range of engaging activities, including a workshop led by a member of staff who works closely with the animals. During this session, they will learn more about the animals and their care. There will also be an opportunity for the children to handle some of the animals.

We will leave school at 9am and return by home time at 3:15pm. Children will need a packed lunch, water bottle, suitable footwear and coat (we will be outside for the majority of the day).

The cost of this trip is £24 per pupil. Although this is a voluntary contribution, we rely on parental payments to cover the full cost of the visit. Unfortunately, if we do not receive sufficient contributions, we may have to cancel the trip. This year the school has not been receiving sufficient funds to pay for trips.

Payment is now available on ParentPay and can be made via the app; alternatively, cash or cheques can be sent to the school office in a clearly named envelope. Please contact Mrs Farren if you are unable to contribute to this trip, as we are here to support you.

To help reduce the amount of paper we use in school, we kindly ask that you do the following instead of returning printed reply slips:

- Payment received on ParentPay can be taken as consent as you have to tick a box to get to the payment window. Please send in your voluntary contribution in a clearly named envelope (cash or cheque), or pay using ParentPay.
- Comment on the pinned post on your ClassDojo page, or let your child's teacher or the office know in person so they can mark this on the class list.

Yours sincerely
Miss Williams
Year 3 Teacher



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Year 5 class trip

This trip is now on parentpay.



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Dear Parents / Carers

Re: Y5 Skillzone class trip

On Tuesday 2nd June 2026, Year 5 will be attending an exciting workshop at 'Skillzone' in Gloucester. Skillzone is Gloucestershire's life-size safety village where learning to stay safe is never dull. They provide safety education and trips for schools and we will be experiencing a couple of different zones whilst there.

We will leave school at 12:15pm and return by home time at 3:15pm. The children will need to bring a packed lunch to school which will be eaten before we leave.

The cost of this trip is £11 per pupil. Although this is a voluntary contribution, we rely on parental payments to cover the full cost of the visit. Unfortunately, if we do not receive sufficient contributions, we may have to cancel the trip. This year the school has not been receiving sufficient funds to pay for trips.

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Yours sincerely
Mr Bluck
Year 5 Teacher



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Year 6 class trip

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Dear Parents / Carers

Re: Y6 cathedral Leavers service

On Tuesday 9th June 2026, Year 6 will be attending the annual leavers services held at Gloucester cathedral. These services are a wonderful opportunity to celebrate, as a Diocesan family, the time that the children have spent in primary school and an opportunity to look forward together to their next exciting chapter.

We will leave school at 12:45pm and return by home time at 3:15pm. The children will be moved to first sitting for lunch on this day so they are still able to have school dinners if they wish.

The cost of this trip is £8 per pupil. Although this is a voluntary contribution, we rely on parental payments to cover the full cost of the visit.

Payment is now available on ParentPay and can be made via the app; alternatively, cash or cheques can be sent to the school office in a clearly named envelope. Please contact Mrs Farren if you are unable to contribute to this trip, as we are here to support you.

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- Comment on the pinned post on your ClassDojo page, or let your child's teacher or the office know in person so they can mark this on the class list.

Yours sincerely
Mr Gavaghan
Year 6 Teacher



Please see below the booking forms for terms 5 and 6.

Due to the high number of children using this service we need to ensure we have the correct number of staff to cover it, so all children attending this club **must** have a form filled out.

NO FORM = NO CLUB!

We accept this form by handing in a physical copy or emailing it to admin@norton.gloucs.sch.uk

Many thanks.



BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BOOKING FORM 25/26

Please indicate which session you would like to book from 14th April until 22nd May 2026

Please indicate with a tick or with a child's name which before/after school club you would like to book

Term 5	Before	After	
Times	8am - 8:45am	3:15pm - 5pm	3:15pm - 5:30pm
Mon 13th Apr	INSET DAY		
Tue 14th Apr			Closed
Wed 15th Apr			Closed
Thur 16th Apr			
Fri 17th Apr		Closed	
Mon 20th Apr			
Tue 21st Apr			Closed
Wed 22nd Apr			Closed
Thur 23rd Apr			
Fri 24th Apr		Closed	
Mon 27th Apr			
Tue 28th Apr			Closed
Wed 29th Apr			Closed
Thur 30th Apr			
Fri 1st May		Closed	

	Before	After	
Times	8am - 8:45am	3:15pm - 5pm	3:15pm - 5:30pm
Mon 4th May	BANK HOLIDAY		
Tue 5th May			Closed
Wed 6th May			Closed
Thur 7th May			
Fri 8th May		Closed	
Mon 11th May			
Tue 12th May			Closed
Wed 13th May			Closed
Thur 14th May			
Fri 15th May		Closed	
Mon 18th May			
Tue 19th May			Closed
Wed 20th May			Closed
Thur 21st May			
Fri 22nd May		Closed	

Name of Child/ren: _____

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions on the website for the before and after school club.

Signed: _____

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BOOKING FORM 25/26

Please indicate which session you would like to book from 1st June until 17th July 2026

Please indicate with a tick or with a child's name which before/after school club you would like to book

Term 6	Before	After	
Times	8am - 8:45am	3:15pm - 5pm	3:15pm - 5:30pm
Mon 1st Jun			
Tue 2nd Jun			Closed
Wed 3rd Jun			Closed
Thur 4th Jun			
Fri 5th Jun		Closed	
Mon 8th Jun			
Tue 9th Jun			Closed
Wed 10th Jun			Closed
Thur 11th Jun			
Fri 12th Jun		Closed	
Mon 15th Jun			
Tue 16th Jun			Closed
Wed 17th Jun			Closed
Thur 18th Jun			
Fri 19th Jun		Closed	
Mon 22nd Jun			
Tue 23rd Jun			Closed
Wed 24th Jun			Closed
Thur 25th Jun			
Fri 26th Jun		Closed	

	Before	After	
Times	8am - 8:45am	3:15pm - 5pm	3:15pm - 5:30pm
Mon 29th Jun			
Tue 30th Jun			Closed
Wed 1st Jul			Closed
Thur 2nd Jul			
Fri 3rd Jul		Closed	
Mon 6th Jul			
Tue 7th Jul			Closed
Wed 8th Jul			Closed
Thur 9th Jul			
Fri 10th Jul		Closed	
Mon 13th Jul			
Tue 14th Jul			Closed
Wed 15th Jul			Closed
Thur 16th Jul			
Fri 17th Jul		Closed	

Name of Child/ren: _____

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions on the website for the



Dates for your diary for April/May/June:

- Monday 27th April - Teacher led clubs start *see pages 5&6*
- w/c Monday 11th May - SATs week *(please ensure Y6 children are in school promptly all week)*
- w/c Monday 18th May - Y6 bikeability week *(Please complete consent forms and payment ASAP)*

Half term: 25th to 29th May

- Monday 1st June - First day back for term 6
- Tuesday 2nd June - Y5 class trip
- Friday 5th June - Sports day starting at 9:30am on the field
- Saturday 6th June - Celebrating 150years of Norton C of E Primary school
- Tuesday 9th June - Photographer in (classes and leavers)
- Tuesday 9th June - Y6 class leavers trip
- Wednesday 10th June - PGL
- Thursday 18th June - EYFS & KS1 fathers day morning

Next week's diary - 27th April 2026:

Day:	The School Day:	After School: <i>All teacher led clubs finish at 4pm.</i>	NEW Lunch Menu (week 3)
Monday		Football (R - Y3) Fitness (Y3 - Y6)	Summer pizza with new potatoes Tomato pasta bake Jacket potato with Beans/Cheese/Tuna
Tuesday		Football (Y4 - Y6)	Spaghetti meatballs Vegan burger in a bun with potato wedges Jacket potato with Beans/Cheese/Tuna Baguette with Ham/Cheese/Tuna
Wednesday		Athletics (Y3 - Y6) Mindful colouring (R - Y6)	Roast pork with roast potatoes Vegetable loaf with roast potatoes Jacket potato with Beans/Cheese/Tuna
Thursday		Athletics (R - Y2) Lego (R - Y6) Outdoor learning (Y1 - Y2) Gardening (Y1 - Y6) Dance (Y2 - Y6)	Greek chicken pitta with herby rice and tzatziki Vegan bolognese with pasta Jacket potato with Beans/Cheese/Tuna Baguette with Ham/Cheese/Tuna
Friday	Sharing assembly 2:45		Fish fingers with chips Cheese and bean pasty with chips Jacket potato with Beans/Cheese/Tuna



COMMUNITY CORNER

Community corner update from Josie's garden: The peas that Josie planted a while ago are coming on nicely. Not long until they'll be ready to move to the vegetable bed.



*This is super exciting Josie!
Thank you (and mum) for
updating us, we can't wait
to see the next update when
they're in your vegetable
patch!*

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CORNER

DanDans football team, Longlevens Panthers, won their league, and on Saturday won the cup for the second time in a row. Not only that, DanDan was awarded player of the match, which was out of both exceptionally good teams, and picked by the league officials, so a real honour. He played with grit, determination and as an amazing team player, being assist in all three goals. We are very proud of him



Wow DanDan what an incredible achievement for your team and also for you! We're also very proud of you all at school!

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A football match last weekend between Longford a Bishops Cleeve resulted in a 2-1 win! Ioan has not played for about 6 weeks due to the injury to his hand so was ready to get back into action and had a great game as he was selected Opposition Player of the Match by Bishops Cleeve.



Our motto across the season has been to play hard, play smart and play together. The boys did this in abundance. When it all comes together they're a joy to watch. Everyone played their part but there were a couple of standout performances. This week's players of the week were;

★ OPOTM - Ioan ★

Ioan returned to the team following a period out injured but it didn't hamper you as you were involved in the thick of the action from the start, right up until the final whistle. Your control on the ball and composure when playing lovely through balls to team mates was a joy to watch. Your work rate was incredible too tracking back the length of the field to break up opposition attacks. It really was a performance to be proud of.

What a brilliant comeback after your injury - the feedback they've given you shows what a true football star you are! We're very proud of you Ioan!

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"Those who are wise will shine like the sky and those who lead others to goodness will shine like the stars forever" Daniel 12:3

STRIVE - THINK - ACT - RESPECT



Dates for your diaries:

10/5 - Car Boot Sale

6/6 - Summer Fete

10/7 - End of Year/Leavers Disco

Dates subject to change. Keep an eye on Dojo and follow our Facebook page for details.

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This term our weekly challenges are going to be sporty!

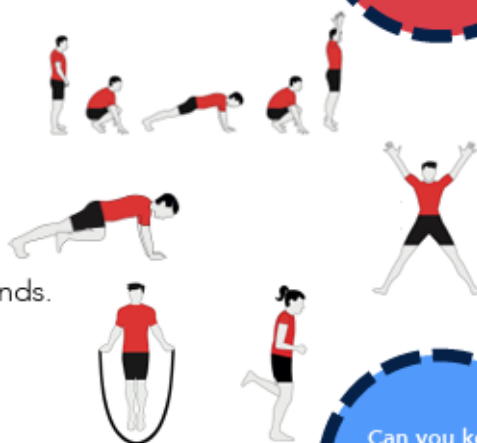
How many of these can you complete over the term...

WEEK 2

Healthy Hearts Home Physical Education

How to play:

- Layout 5 markers in a space around your area. These are your 5 cardio circuit activities.
- **Station 1:** Perform 10 star jumps.
- **Station 2:** Perform 10 mountain climbers.
- **Station 3:** Skip or jump for 10 seconds.
- **Station 4:** Perform 10 burpees.
- **Station 5:** Jog on the spot for 10 seconds.
- How many times can you repeat the circuit?



Can you complete the circuit with a partner, encouraging each other?

Can you keep trying even if you feel tired?

Top Tips

Break into a sweat!

When we increase our heart rate, more blood pumps around our body providing oxygen from the lungs to the muscles.

Let's Reflect

Were you able to work hard and increase your heart rate?

Do you understand why it is important to raise our heart rate and keep active?



Healthy recipe of the week...



Happy St George's day (for Thursday!)

To honour this, our snack this week is inspired by the English flag.

Your challenge is to go to the supermarket and find as many healthy foods as you can to recreate the flag... here is an example of one!



Can you send us a picture of your creations to share next week?

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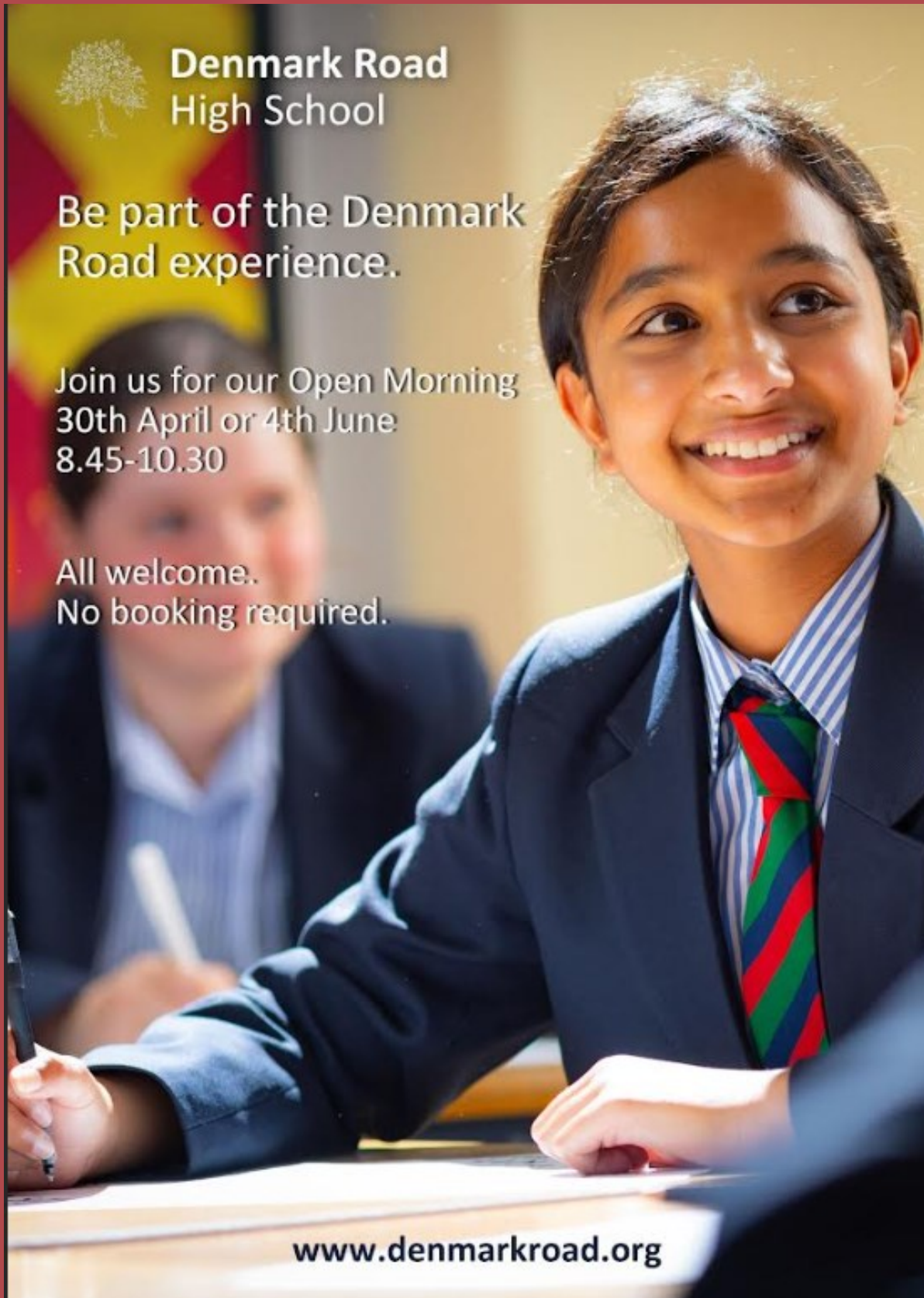
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