

new year, new name, new look!



# Norton's News!

17th July 2026

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Daniel 12:3

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4th September 2026

## A message from Mrs Farren...

It has been wonderful to welcome all our children and families back to Norton Primary School after the summer break. The school is once again filled with happy faces, busy classrooms and the excitement of learning together. We are looking forward to an exciting and successful year ahead, full of opportunities for every child to belong, thrive and achieve.

A particularly warm welcome goes to our new Reception children and their families. Starting school is such an important milestone, and we understand what a significant and emotional day it can be for parents and carers too. We are delighted that you have joined our Norton family and look forward to sharing your children's journey through school.

On Friday 11th September, we will hold our first Sharing Assembly of the new school year. All parents, carers and family members are warmly invited to join us as we celebrate the children's achievements.

During this special assembly, each of our new Reception children will place a pebble into our school family pebble bowl. This is a much-loved Norton tradition, with every pebble representing a child and their place within our school community. It is a simple but meaningful reminder that every child belongs and is an important part of our Norton family.

We hope to see many of you there and look forward to enjoying another happy and successful school year together.

Have a wonderful weekend  
Mrs Farren and Team Norton





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## Class News - 4th September 2026

This week in **Little Learners** we've had a couple of our settling in sessions getting to know our newest little learners members. They've explored the room and it's been so wonderful to watch them already gain confidence in interacting with each other and with us. We're excited to really get to know them over the next few weeks!

It has been a fantastic start to the year in **Reception**. The children have all settled in incredibly well and it has been a real pleasure getting to know them properly over the last two days. They have already shown such enthusiasm and confidence in their new environment. We are very much looking forward to the year ahead - it's going to be a great one!

What a fabulous start to **Year 1**! All of the children have come into school so beautifully with the biggest of smiles. We are so proud of them! They have counted and ordered numbers to 20, listened to stories, created a set of class rules and have had fun playing with their friends. Roll on next week!

It's been a wonderful couple of days welcoming the new **Year 2** class! They've enjoyed exploring their new class and definitely have the best dance moves during their movement breaks. I'm looking forward to a lovely year with them all.

It has been so lovely to welcome **Year 3** into the juniors! They've settled into their new classroom so well and are already trying so hard with their learning - in RE and worldviews this week we looked at our new topic question and discussed the bible and how it's made up of lots of books, and those books are split into the old testament and the new testament - I wonder if they can remember anything about our lesson?

What a great first few days in **Year 4**! The children have settled back into school brilliantly and have been enthusiastic and ready to learn. It has been lovely to see their positive attitudes and happy faces around the classroom. I am so proud of how well they have started the year and am really looking forward to an exciting year ahead!

What a lovely couple of days we have had in **Year 5**! We have started our class reading for pleasure book, The Ickabog; started to look at place value within maths; and have written a short narrative about what we didn't do over the Summer holidays.

**Year 6** have come back to school with the best attitude for learning! It's been a great two days getting to know them and seeing what a brilliant attitude for learning they already have - it's going to be a fantastic year with them!

# Important Information Pages

**Don't forget to check our Important Information Pages!**

You'll find key updates, deadlines and useful information about school life, including details from companies we work with, such as School Trends, catering and music lessons.

Things can change from week to week, so **check back regularly to stay in the loop!**

Thanks everyone!



**IMPORTANT  
INFORMATION!**





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# What's Happening



## NEW TO YEAR PARENT MEETINGS

In order to give you plenty of notice we have set the '**New to year**' parent meetings well in advanced.

This is a chance for you to meet your child/ren's new class teacher and to hear about what they will be learning.



They will all start at **15:30**

**AND ARE HAPPEN ON THE FOLLOWING DATES...**



**Wednesday 9th September**

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**Year 2**



**Thursday 10th September**

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**Year 1**



**Friday 11th September**

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**Reception  
Phonics Meeting**



**Tuesday 15th September**

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**Year 5**



**Wednesday 16th September**

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**Year 4**



**Thursday 17th September**

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**Year 3**



**Friday 18th September**

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**Year 6**





# Offsite visit and single consent

Please complete the form below and return to the school office.

Copies to download are available on dojo or the school website. Paper copies are available on the wall to the left of the office window.

Other forms that can be found here include:

- Medicine
- Term time absence form
- Change of pupil information
- Before and after school club form
- Teacher club forms (coming soon...)

**Parental Consent Form for Offsite Visits, Sporting and Extra Curriculum Activities.**

Data Protection: The information provided will be used by Norton C of E Primary School to administer and organise school visits and activities. Information will be kept securely and only shared where necessary, such as in an emergency or with the relevant Local Authority.

Please inform the school of any changes to your contact details or your child's relevant medical information.

**Contact Information**

Pupil's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: ☐ M ☐ F

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name & No: \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Information**

Name of Doctor & Surgery: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please detail any medical problems that we should be aware of and if necessary procedures to be taken in an emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

**Disability Information**

Is your child on the Disability Equality Register: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Please detail any disability problems that we should be aware of and if necessary procedure to be taken in an emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

**Personal Information** Please give details requested below or personal information which may be relevant

Does he/she suffer from allergies, Diabetes, migraine, Epilepsy or any other illness or disability? ☐ YES ☐ NO

IF YES give details: \_\_\_\_\_

Is he/she allergic to anything (eg. Antibiotics, sticking plasters, any medicines or particular food, etc.) ☐ YES ☐ NO

IF YES give details: \_\_\_\_\_

Is he/she actively sensitive to penicillin? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Is he/she receiving any medical treatment at present? ☐ YES ☐ NO

IF YES give details of illness/disability and treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

Does he/she have any special dietary needs? ☐ YES ☐ NO

IF YES give details: \_\_\_\_\_

Can he/she swim 50 metres? ☐ YES ☐ NO

**Parent Consent**

(i) I agree to my son/daughter taking part in all offsite, sporting and extra curriculum activities.

(ii) I understand that the staff responsible for the activities will take reasonable care of participants.

(iii) I consent to any emergency treatment necessary. I therefore authorise the party leader(s) to sign, on my behalf, any written form of consent required by the hospital authorities should medical treatment (a surgical operation or injection) be deemed necessary, provided that the delay required to obtain my signature might be considered, in the opinion of the doctor or surgeon concerned, likely to endanger my child's health or safety.

I wish to withhold my consent for the following activities - please give details: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please print your name alongside your signature)

Date form completed: \_\_\_\_\_ (dd/mm/yyyy)

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH SIDES OF FORM

ALL FORMS SHOULD BE COMPLETED PER INDIVIDUAL CHILD AND RETURNED BY FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2026

**Single Consent Form - Personal Information (PI) & Consent for services and medical/first aid**

Dear Parent/Carer,

Norton C of E Primary School holds and uses personal information about you and your child to support their education and communicate with you. Details of how this information is used are provided in our Privacy Notice. For some additional school services and medical/first aid reasons, we require your specific consent. This consent may be withdrawn at any time. Where consent is not given, we will be unable to provide the relevant service.

Please complete and return this consent form. (Please circle the consent option for each element)

| Data Shared                                                                                                                                     | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Consent                                                  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Pupil name / year group                                                                                                                         | To keep parents/carers updated about school events, changes to arrangements, student achievements, absences, and other important information.                                                                                                                                                            | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Parenter mobile numbers                                                                                                                         | To keep parents/carers updated about school events, changes to arrangements, student achievements, absences, and other important information.                                                                                                                                                            | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Pupil tracking and assessment systems (EYF5-Y6: Insight Tracker)                                                                                | To track each child's academic progress and share accurate, relevant updates with parents (in school reports or individual parent meetings, only ever for your child). Pupil information is securely transferred from SIMS and stored in encrypted cloud systems. This is only accessed by Norton staff. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Pupil ID held on SIMS (taken from entry form submitted by parents)                                                                              | To track each child's academic progress and share accurate, relevant updates with parents (in school reports or individual parent meetings, only ever for your child). Pupil information is securely transferred from SIMS and stored in encrypted cloud systems. This is only accessed by Norton staff. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Pupil assessment data submitted by teachers                                                                                                     | To track each child's academic progress and share accurate, relevant updates with parents (in school reports or individual parent meetings, only ever for your child). Pupil information is securely transferred from SIMS and stored in encrypted cloud systems. This is only accessed by Norton staff. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| School website                                                                                                                                  | To share information regarding school activities, events and services with parents/carers and key stakeholders.                                                                                                                                                                                          | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Photos                                                                                                                                          | To share images regarding class activities / events pupils have taken part in with their class parents/carers only.                                                                                                                                                                                      | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Pupil images on their class dojo pages only                                                                                                     | To share images regarding activities / events pupils have taken part in with parents/carers for the whole school.                                                                                                                                                                                        | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Pupil images taken by Norton staff on Norton (eg. on trips or doing work in class)                                                              | May be used to go in books to support learning or put on classroom displays to support learning/showcase a topic.                                                                                                                                                                                        | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Pupil images taken by external agencies                                                                                                         | Photographs taken by external agencies we've gone on a trip with (for example: sports trips images taken by Gloucester school sports network)                                                                                                                                                            | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Photos used in classrooms / shared areas (entrance hall, main hall, corridors etc.)                                                             | To support learning, to showcase pupils' work and activities they've took part in, to celebrate success and to share information regarding roles and responsibilities.                                                                                                                                   | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Newsletter (includes online version posted on the school website)                                                                               | To share information regarding school events, pupil achievement and to share key information with stakeholders.                                                                                                                                                                                          | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Promotional publications (e.g. annual prospectus, new parent information leaflets etc.) (includes online versions posted on the school website) | To share information regarding the school's facilities, performance and activities with prospective parents.                                                                                                                                                                                             | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Medical consent for:                                                                                                                            | Reason                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Consent                                                  |
| Administration of age appropriate pain in line with the instructions on the box.                                                                | Pain may be given promptly, if a child develops signs of an allergic reaction, to help relieve symptoms while appropriate further action is taken. NOTE: This consent does not replace the school's usual procedures for managing serious allergic reactions or emergencies.                             | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Use of plasters in first aid                                                                                                                    | Are you happy for Norton staff to use a plaster on your child when administering first aid?                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |

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## CHANGES TO PUPIL INFORMATION

If you need to update us on any information we may have on file for your child(ren), please complete a form that can be found on the wall to the left of the office window.

Examples of information we need up to date:

- contact details (names/numbers)
- home address
- medical information

*If your child has a food allergy or asthma please come and see Mrs Higgins at the school office on a Tuesday or Thursday morning or any time on Fridays.*





## Piano Lessons Available from September

Our piano teacher Rosie Blackwood will have some availability for new pupils from September.

Lessons are available for children in Year 2 and above. Pupils will need access to a piano or keyboard at home for practice.

If your child is interested in learning the piano, please contact our piano teacher directly via email for further information and availability.

**Email:** [rosieblackwood@mymusiclessons.co.uk](mailto:rosieblackwood@mymusiclessons.co.uk)





**MUSIC LESSONS FOR PRIMARY CHILDREN AGED 4-11**

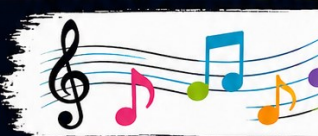
# MUSIC LESSONS

**THROUGH MUSIC!**

**BE CONFIDENT. BE CREATIVE. BE YOU.**



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| <b>RECORDER</b><br>RECEPTION TO YEAR 6<br> | <b>FLUTE</b><br>YEAR 3 TO YEAR 6<br> | <b>CLARINET</b><br>YEAR 3 TO YEAR 6<br> | <b>ALTO SAXOPHONE</b><br>YEAR 5 TO YEAR 6<br> | <b>SOPRANO SAXOPHONE</b><br>YEAR 5 TO YEAR 6<br> | <b>SINGING LESSONS</b><br> |
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**BEGINNER MUSIC THEORY**  
LEARN THE BASICS





WEEKLY LESSONS



ALL LEVELS WELCOME



BUILD SKILLS & CONFIDENCE



ENJOY MUSIC FOR LIFE



PROGRESS AT YOUR PACE



**INTERESTED?**  
EMAIL: [phoebewilsonflute@outlook.com](mailto:phoebewilsonflute@outlook.com)







## PLEASE CLEAR ALL DEBTS FROM LAST SCHOOL YEAR

Some debts are still owing from last school year.

Please check your parentpay accounts for the following:

- any trip/activity payments owing (upcoming or previous)
- invoices
- any dinner money owing (preschool and juniors)

Please ensure all debts are cleared asap for the new school year.



# SCHOOL

## Uniform

### LOST PROPERTY!!!

Lost property is now located in the library near the front entrance.

All lost property left at the end of term will be removed and recycled!.



## How to Order for Schools

Bulk ordering made simple

- Find your school**  
 Search for your school using the search bar.
 

SCHOOL TRENDS Shop Find My School Info For Schools Contact

Find your school's uniform

School name:  School postcode (optional):

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z other

Enter a school name or postcode to search, or browse schools alphabetically.
- Switch to table view**  
 Use table view for quick bulk ordering.
- Select sizes & quantities**  
 Choose your item options, then adjust quantities using the + and - buttons. Repeat for all items you need before heading to checkout.
 

|  |                                                                             |                                     |       |        |         |
|--|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|--------|---------|
|  | Royal Blue Knitted Hat - Centre Front Print                                 | Royal Blue / One Size               | £8.65 | - 50 + | £392.50 |
|  | Royal Blue PE Bag - Bag Decoration                                          | Royal Blue / One Size               | £5.55 | - 50 + | £277.50 |
|  | Royal Blue Performance 100% Cotton Knitted Sweater - Left Chest Embroidered | Royal Blue / 11-12 years (Child XL) | £5.00 | - 0 +  | £0.00   |
- Review & checkout**  
 Double check your order, enter your details and choose payment on account.
 

**Your order**

|              |                                                                             |                |
|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
|              | Royal Blue Knitted Hat - Centre Front Print                                 | £392.50        |
|              | Royal Blue PE Bag - Bag Decoration                                          | £277.50        |
|              | Royal Blue Performance 100% Cotton Knitted Sweater - Left Chest Embroidered | £0.00          |
| Subtotal     |                                                                             | £670.00        |
| VAT          |                                                                             | £0.00          |
| <b>Total</b> |                                                                             | <b>£670.00</b> |

**Your details**

Fullname:

Email address:

Phone number:

School name:

**Payment method**

☒ Pay on account  
Available for approved schools

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Please see on the next page the forms for term 1 and 2. This is also available on the school website to download and complete.

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](mailto:admin@norton.gloucs.sch.uk)

Many thanks.





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## BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BOOKING FORM 26/27

Please indicate which session you would like to book from 3rd September until 23rd October 2026

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

| Times          | Before       | After        |                 |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
|                | 8am - 8:45am | 3:15pm - 5pm | 3:15pm - 5:30pm |
| Tue 1st Sept   | INSET        |              |                 |
| Wed 2nd Sept   | INSET        |              |                 |
| Thur 3rd Sept  |              |              |                 |
| Fri 4th Sept   |              | Closed       |                 |
| Mon 7th Sept   |              |              |                 |
| Tue 8th Sept   |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 9th Sept   |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 10th Sept |              |              |                 |
| Fri 11th Sept  |              | Closed       |                 |
| Mon 14th Sept  |              |              |                 |
| Tue 15th Sept  |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 16th Sept  |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 17th Sept |              |              |                 |
| Fri 18th Sept  |              | Closed       |                 |
| Mon 21st Sept  |              |              |                 |
| Tue 22nd Sept  |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 23rd Sept  |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 24th Sept |              |              |                 |
| Fri 25th Sept  |              | Closed       |                 |

| Times         | Before       | After        |                 |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
|               | 8am - 8:45am | 3:15pm - 5pm | 3:15pm - 5:30pm |
| Mon 28th Sept |              |              |                 |
| Tue 29th Sept |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 30th Sept |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 1st Oct  |              |              |                 |
| Fri 2nd Oct   |              | Closed       |                 |
| Mon 5th Oct   |              |              |                 |
| Tue 6th Oct   |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 7th Oct   |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 8th Oct  |              |              |                 |
| Fri 9th Oct   |              | Closed       |                 |
| Mon 12th Oct  |              |              |                 |
| Tue 13th Oct  |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 14th Oct  |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 15th Oct |              |              |                 |
| Fri 16th Oct  |              | Closed       |                 |
| Mon 19th Oct  |              |              |                 |
| Tue 20th Oct  |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 21st Oct  |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 22nd Oct |              |              |                 |
| Fri 23rd Oct  |              | 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 26/27

Please indicate which session you would like to book from 2nd November until 18th December 2026

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

| Times         | Before       | After        |                 |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
|               | 8am - 8:45am | 3:15pm - 5pm | 3:15pm - 5:30pm |
| Mon 2nd Nov   |              |              |                 |
| Tue 3rd Nov   |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 4th Nov   |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 5th Nov  |              |              |                 |
| Fri 6th Nov   |              | Closed       |                 |
| Mon 9th Nov   |              |              |                 |
| Tue 10th Nov  |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 11th Nov  |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 12th Nov |              |              |                 |
| Fri 13th Nov  |              | Closed       |                 |
| Mon 16th Nov  |              |              |                 |
| Tue 17th Nov  |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 18th Nov  |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 19th Nov |              |              |                 |
| Fri 20th Nov  |              | Closed       |                 |
| Mon 23rd Nov  |              |              |                 |
| Tue 24th Nov  |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 25th Nov  |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 26th Nov |              |              |                 |
| Fri 27th Nov  |              | Closed       |                 |

| Times         | Before       | After        |                 |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
|               | 8am - 8:45am | 3:15pm - 5pm | 3:15pm - 5:30pm |
| Mon 30th Nov  |              |              |                 |
| Tue 1st Dec   |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 2nd Dec   |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 3rd Dec  |              |              |                 |
| Fri 4th Dec   |              | Closed       |                 |
| Mon 7th Dec   |              |              |                 |
| Tue 8th Dec   |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 9th Dec   |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 10th Dec |              |              |                 |
| Fri 11th Dec  |              | Closed       |                 |
| Mon 14th Dec  |              |              |                 |
| Tue 15th Dec  |              |              | Closed          |
| Wed 16th Dec  |              |              | Closed          |
| Thur 17th Dec |              |              |                 |
| Fri 18th Dec  |              | 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: \_\_\_\_\_



## Dates for your diary for September:

Monday 7th September - All children in school full time

Friday 11th September - Flu vaccinations for all school age children *see dojo*

'New to year' parent meetings, all starting at 3:30pm. *See page 5!*

Wednesday 9th September - Year 2

Thursday 10th September - Year 1

Friday 11th September - Reception Phonics Meeting

Tuesday 15th September - Year 5

Wednesday 16th September - Year 4

Thursday 17th September - Year 3

Friday 18th September - Year 6

The form for teacher led clubs will be out early next week...

## Next week's diary - 7th September 2026:

| Day:      | The School Day:                                            | After school                         | Lunch Menu (week 1)                                                                                                               |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday    | All school children in full time                           |                                      | Tomato pasta<br>Cheese and pepper whirl with herby rice<br>Jacket potato with Beans/Cheese/Tuna                                   |
| Tuesday   |                                                            |                                      | Sausage roll with potato wedges<br>Soya mince pasta bake<br>Jacket potato with Beans/Cheese/Tuna<br>Baguette with Ham/Cheese/Tuna |
| Wednesday |                                                            | New to year 2 parent meeting         | Roast chicken with roast potatoes<br>Vegan sausage with roast potatoes<br>Jacket potato with Beans/Cheese/Tuna                    |
| Thursday  |                                                            | New to year 1 parent meeting         | Spaghetti bolognese<br>Coconut curry with rice<br>Jacket potato with Beans/Cheese/Tuna<br>Baguette with Ham/Cheese/Tuna           |
| Friday    | Flu vaccination day<br>Sharing assembly 2:30 - all welcome | PTA AGM<br>Reception phonics meeting | Fish fingers with chips<br>Vegan sausage with roast potatoes<br>Jacket potato with Beans/Cheese/Tuna                              |



# COMMUNITY CORNER

We love our community corner - it's a space for you to send us any pictures or news you'd like to share for the week! It could be anything from sporting achievements, no screen time activities you've got up to, a community event you went to/ helped at, anything at all that you're excited to share with our school community!]

This summer we asked you to send us a 'snapshot' of summer with a photo of a favourite moment... this week we've had a couple but there is still time to send more next week if you'd like!

Check out our first 'snapshot of summer' entries on the next page >>>

If you'd like to share anything in this space please email Mrs Higgins with the subjectline 'community corner' -  
[fhiggins@norton.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:fhiggins@norton.gloucs.sch.uk)



# COMMUNITY CORNER

SNAPSHOT  
OF  
SUMMER







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Everyone is welcome

NORTON PTA

# Annual General Meeting



**Friday 11th September, 3:00pm**

After Pebble Assembly, before YR phonics meeting

*Join us for tea, coffee and cakes straight after assembly in the hall*



**Meet the PTA team**



**Election of the 2026/27 committee**



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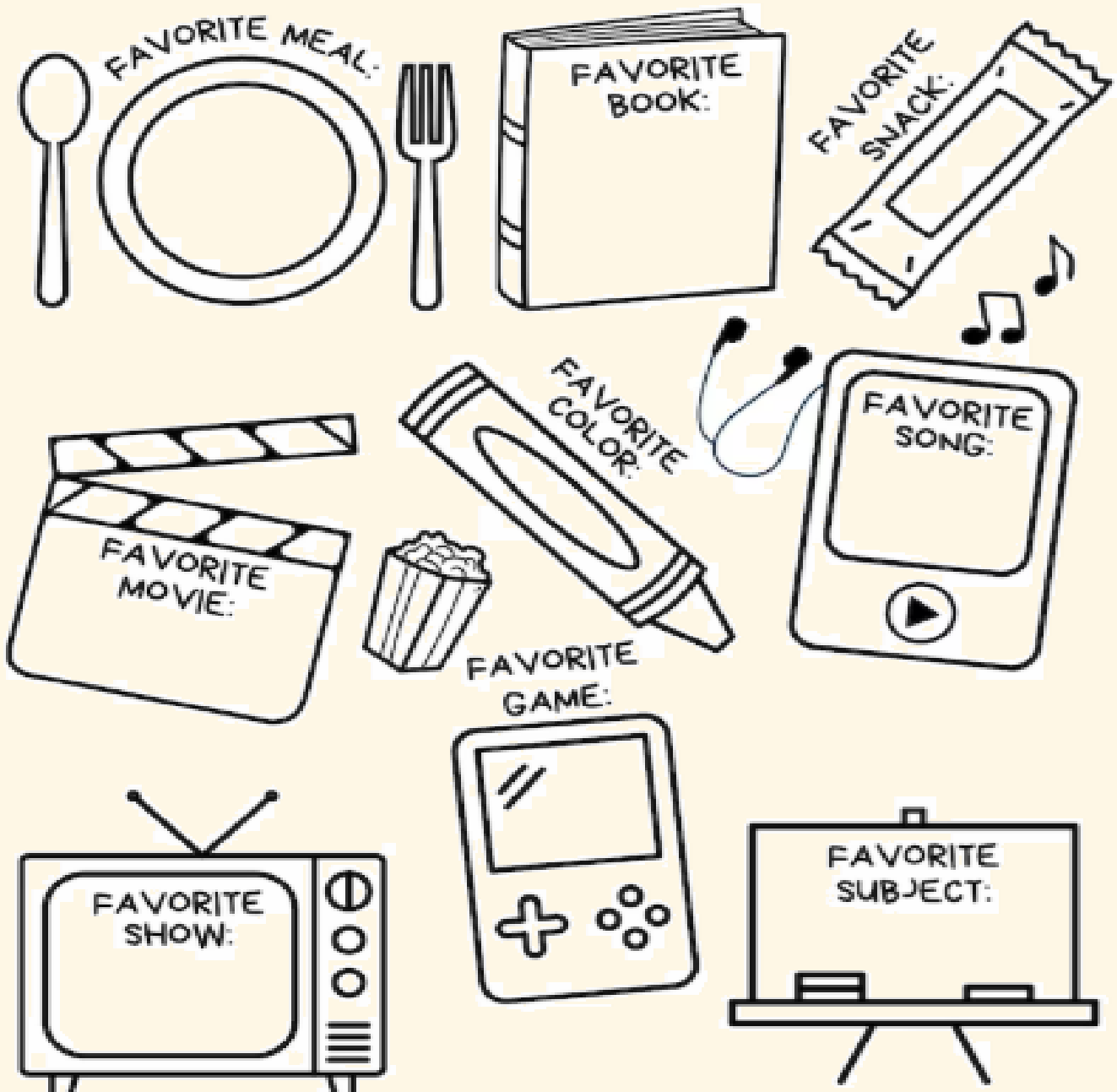


**Share ideas for future fundraising events**

*Come along — we'd love to see you there*

# NORTON'S BRAIN BOOST...

## ALL ABOUT ME



Each week we'll share something to get all your brains going at home... as it's a new school year we thought this would be a lovely thing for every member of your family to do! Younger siblings and adults too... I wonder if any of your answers will be the same?

# NORTON'S FOOD FOR THOUGHT...



## Healthy Caramel Apples

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Course

Dessert, Snack

### Ingredients

1 1/2 cups pitted dates lightly packed

1/2 cup plain non-dairy milk to soak dates

• 3 1/2 - 4 tbsp raw cashew butter (optional) see note and can substitute

- 1 tsp pure vanilla extract or the seeds scraped from 1 vanilla bean
- 1/8 tsp rounded sea salt
- couple pinches freshly grated nutmeg optional
- 4-6 organic apples or more, depending on size
- popsicle sticks or spoons

### Instructions

1. First, combine the dates with the non-dairy milk in a bowl. Let soak for about an hour.
2. Then, drain the dates, gently pushing the excess milk through a sieve.
3. In a food processor or high powered blender, combine the dates with the cashew butter, vanilla, and sea salt (and nutmeg, if using).
4. Process until very smooth, scraping down the processor bowl as needed, and puree again. This will take several minutes.
5. Transfer to a container and refrigerate.
6. When ready to coat your apples, insert a popsicle stick into the stem end of each apple (if you don't have any sticks handy, try inverting a spoon so you insert the handle into the apple and you hold the rounded 'spoon' end).
7. Then, simply lift the apple and use a butter knife or spatula to coat your apples with the caramel (not too thick as the caramel is very sweet, but thick enough for it to be substantial and for the toppings to adhere).
8. Place in a container or on a tray or baking sheet lined with parchment paper, and serve, or refrigerate for up to a day before serving.

### Notes

**Nut butter Notes:** I really like raw cashew butter in this caramel for a couple of reasons. First, it is a very thick/dense nut butter, so it helps make the caramel a little thicker. Second, it has a mellow, soft taste that works well in this caramel. But, you could substitute regular cashew butter, or raw/regular almond butter, or macadamia butter. So, for best flavor I'd choose either cashew, almond, or macadamia nut butter. If you have a nut allergy, you can either opt for sunflower butter (and maybe add some cinnamon or pumpkin pie spice - it IS pumpkinfest! - to the mixture to bump up the flavor), or omit altogether and just have a date paste. This also works if you want to reduce the fat content in the caramel - you can either reduce the nut butter or omit it altogether.

**Kitchen Tip:** This makes a softer caramel, easy for spreading. If you'd like a firmer caramel, simply omit the soaking step, and combine the dates with the cashew butter (or other nut butter), using the full 4 tbsp (1/4 cup). The mixture will form into a ball in the food processor. You can use it to roll for little chewable caramels for children that can be left as is, or coated in grated chocolate (or ground chocolate chips).

Each week we'll share a fun (healthy!) recipe with you... sometimes they'll be a teacher's favourite snack, other times we'll look for healthier versions of your favourite treats, we may also link these to a time of year... like today!

The start of a new school year and apples just felt appropriate! Let us know if you try this healthy version of toffee apples!



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24th October - 12th  
December 2026

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