The Norton Star



August 31st 2020

A word from Mrs Farren...

Dear Parent,

It is hard to believe that this is the last week of this academic year- what a year! We are very much hoping that September will bring some kind of normality with all children being expected to attend.

In order to keep the school community safe, we have conducted a thorough risk assessment which will be published on our website today. This includes measures to keep children in bubbles (where possible), limit contact (where possible) and increase cleaning and personal hygiene such as hand washing and sanitizer.

Here are a few useful points to help you plan ahead for September:

Drop off will be staggered from 8.30am-9am. There will not be breakfast club at least for the first term (until the end of October). Hopefully the 8.30am drop off will enable parents to get to work for 9am. Once restrictions are lifted, the usual time of 8.45-9am will resume and breakfast club will be reinstated.

Pick up times will be staggered from 2.45-3.15pm. Staggering drop off and pick up times in this way has worked well for the school during the COVID-19 crisis. This will be reviewed once restrictions are lifted.

After school club will be available for parents who need it. Please only use this provision if you need it to continue with your working hours. This will run from 3.15-5pm Mon-Thursday. As you can imagine, as we are advised not to mix bubbles, this will be a less fluid provision with children needing to sit at a safe distance from each other. Once again, this will be reviewed when restrictions are lifted.

We are reviewing our remote learning capacity to include more interactive lessons and marking/pupil feedback. This is in case there is another spike in COVID-19 cases locally and we are forced to close for any length of time. Whilst we do not anticipate this happening, we want to reassure you that we will have increased capacity to support home learning.

Team Norton would like to thank you all for your support during this incredibly difficult time. Thank you also for those of you who have sent books for the school equality curriculum. During this crisis, I have seen the best in people within our school community and I am proud to be part of this incredible Norton family. Thank you.

New School Year Reminders

School meal payments Year 3

UNIFSM finishes when pupils move into year 3, and all meals become chargeable. If you need your Parent Pay login details call into the school office. If you cannot pay on line, please call into school for a barcode letter to use at Pay Point outlets.

Dinner money

Debts should be cleared by July 31st.

Outstanding invoices and debts

Please settle any outstanding invoices and debts and ensure that all dinner money accounts are in credit by July 31st.

Christian Value:

On the website/dojo:

In book bags:

Courage

Strive Think Act Respect: Shine