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A warm welcome back to Autumn Term 2. We hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable break. We look forward to an exciting and eventful half term.

#### Remembrance Day—Friday 11th November

We invite children to wear a red t-shirt / blouse or jumper to school on this day. Children should still wear their school trousers / skirt and school shoes. We will not be accepting donations for this, please donate in other ways for the poppy appeal.

Poppies will be on sale from Monday. Please look out for Y6 children in the playground at the end of the day. Suggested donation 50p-£1.



We had a great visit from the fire service today where the children have learned about fire safety, firework safety and the dangers they present.



School Gates close at 8:45am—please arrive a couple of minutes before gates are closed

We are noticing an increased amount of children arriving to school after 8:45am. Please ensure that your child arrives at school in time, with everything they need for the day.

**Many Thanks** 



Can we please request that all payments for school dinners / clubs / trips are paid for **in advance** using parentpay where possible.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

## Are you eligible for government help with before and after school club costs?

To check if you are eligible for tax free childcare (essentially gives you basic rate tax back on your bill), please follow the instructions on this link and set up an account if applicable <a href="https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/">https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/</a>

#### **Please Park Considerately**



We have again had complaints about parking near school. If you are parking on Maple Drive, please do not park across residents driveways or dropped kerbs. Please respect our neighbours and help to keep everyone safe.

Thank You



#### **Friday 18th November**



On this day we will be taking part in lots of fun activities at school and it will be a non-uniform day with the children being 'spotacular'.

(Keep an eye on class DOJO for more Information nearer the time)



# The Reet Big Northstead Bake Off

#### **Friday 18th November**

Have your baking skills at the ready!

Look out for more details on class DOJO nearer the time.

#### Christmas shows in school—Monday 5th December

Thanks to your generosity and support of the summer fair, we are able to offer live Christmas shows by Magic Mike for all children in school.





Christmas Dinner is on Friday 9th December and the cost is £2.70. If you have not already ordered and wish to stay, please inform the office of the chosen option asap. The only options on this day are Christmas Dinner or Vegetarian Christmas Dinner.

As nights are a lot darker at 4pm, we kindly ask that <u>all</u>children attending an after school club run by school, including those in Years 5 and 6, must be picked up by an adult after half term.

Children will NOT be allowed to walk home alone.

Thank you for your support.

#### MSA Vacancy / Lunchtime Play Leader

Do you have the strength, the heart, the skill to be a lunchtime play leader?

Do you have excellent communication skills, patience and understanding?

Do you understand the power of relationships?

Do you want to work at Northstead as a lunchtime play leader to enable children to engage in purposeful play on our KS1 or KS2 playground?

If so, please get in touch with Mr Hopper (Headteacher) for an informal chat and to discuss the recruitment process.

Hours of working being 12 midday to 1:15pm, Monday to Friday, term time only.



### Northstead Seek to Learn Community Primary School



Is your child due to start Primary School in September 2023?

Applications are now open from

12th October 2022 until 15th January 2023.

Come and take a look at Northstead School Early Years

Our <u>Autumn</u> term Open Day is on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Visits 9.15am-10am / 10.15am-11am / 5.30pm-6pm

Please contact the school to book a place

Tel: 01723 362249

Email: admin@northstead.n-yorks.sch.uk









#### **Community – Opportunities – Responsibility - Excellence**

#### Children due to start Primary School in September 2023

Parents can apply for a primary school place from 12th October 2022 and the deadline to apply is **15th January 2023.** 

National offer day is 19th April 2023

Please apply online www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions



Have you got any spare socks?

We are very short of socks in school and would be very grateful for any donations.

Thank you



## <u>Festivals of Light Day –</u> Wednesday 23rd November 2022



The intent for our annual Festivals of Light Day is to broaden the children's knowledge and understanding that three key world religions, other than Christianity, celebrate a Festival of Lights. These religions are Hinduism, Sikhism and Judaism.

The children will learn when the celebration for Diwali/Hanukkah/Advent was/ is. They will also learn the importance of the celebration for the religion that their year group are studying, including how the festival is celebrated.

We would like the children to wear a bright top, with normal school uniform trousers / skirt on our Festivals of Light Day to brighten up these dark November days.

The school cook has kindly agreed to prepare a themed lunch, to compliment the theme of the day of:

Chicken Korma / Vegetarian Korma

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Rice

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Naan Bread and Pickles

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Apple and Honey Sponge and Ice Cream

#### **Contact Details**

Please could you make sure that school are kept up to date with any changes in address / phone number / e-mail so we have your current details on our system.

Many Thanks









**Upcoming dates for your diary** 9th November— EYFS Red Carpet Event 16th November — Open day for September 2023 new starters 9:15—10:00 10:15-11:00 5:30-6:00 18th November— Children in Need 18th November— The Reet Big Northstead Bake Off (Further details to be sent closer to the time). 21st November— Assessment week in school. 23rd November — Festival of Light Day 30th November— 10:00am EYFS Christmas Performance "The First Christmas" 1:30pm EYFS Christmas Performance "The First Christmas" 1st December 9:30am Y1 Christmas sing-a-long 5th December— 2AW and 2GC Christmas Labyrinth 5th December— Christmas Shows by Magic Mike 6th December— 2JV and 2LP Christmas Labyrinth 8th December— 10:30am Y2 Christmas performance "Light's, Camel Action!" 1:30pm Y2 Christmas performance "Light's, Camel Action!" 9th December— Christmas Dinner Day 9th December— FONS Christmas Fair 3pm onwards 12th December— EYFS Christmas Party 13th December— Y1/Y2 Christmas Party 14th December— Carols with the Choir (1:30pm onwards) 15th December— Y3/Y4 Christmas Party 16th December — Stars of Northstead assemblies 16th December— Y5/Y6 Christmas Party 16th December— Break up at 3pm