

NORTHSTEAD NEWS

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

As if I could predict the future in the last newsletter before half term, OFSTED have visited us this week and have now gone. The inspection was fair, transparent, supportive and of course challenging. The evidence collected by the inspection team over the two days was comprehensive and enabled them to make their own judgements about our school.

I am legally not allowed to share any judgements until the final report is with school. This will be about mid-April. What I can say is that our parent view, staff view and children's views of our school are overwhelmingly positive and this demonstrates the happiness in our school.

Our staff team have worked incredibly hard over the past eighteen months to transform the culture of our school to be one of excellence where our community lies at the heart of everything we are trying to achieve. A high level of responsibility permeates through our building and this is all down to the community coming together to ensure our school is successful because of the hard work of staff, families and our governing body. I can't thank everyone enough times for this.

I hope rest of the half term is amazing for everyone, and look forward to meeting more parents and carers in our planned parent's evenings over the course of this half term.



Don't forget
parents'
evening!

If you haven't done so already, please book a time slot to visit your child's class teacher(s). A great opportunity to view their learning and to discuss the progress they have made this year.

Please book by clicking the following link:

[click here](#)

World Book Day—Thursday 7th March

We encourage all children to celebrate the joy of reading and books by coming to school dressed up as a character from their favourite book or wearing their own clothes.

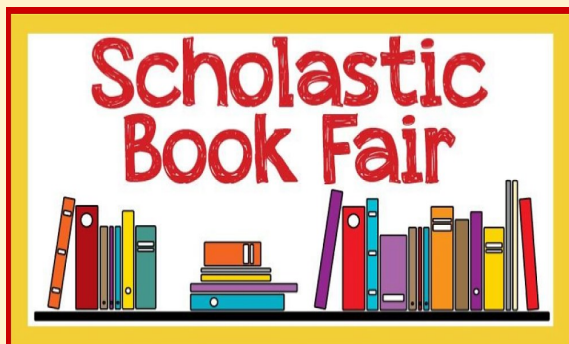


Red Nose Day—Friday 15th March

Children are encouraged to wear red or their own clothes in support of Comic Relief. Please donate online, do not send money into school.



Travelling Book Fair—20th —22nd March



The book fair will be arriving in school on the 20th March. It will run each day from 3:10-3:40pm with the last one being held on Friday 22nd March.

The £1.00 World Book Day books will not be available at the fair, but the £1.00 voucher can be redeemed against the price of any other book priced £2.99 or over.

Please Park Safely outside school



You may have noticed the Parking Attendants present at the start and end of the day. They will continue to be issuing parking fines to any vehicles parked on the zigzags or illegally on the double yellow lines at drop off and collection times. Please park responsibly and show you care by not parking on the zig zags or yellow lines. Also, please do not park on kerbs as this makes it very difficult for pedestrians to pass.

Thank you.



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

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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

Thursday 22nd February

Year 6 Parent / Teacher consultations

Monday 26th February

Year 1 Parent / Teacher consultations

Friday 1st March

Secondary School Offer Day

Tuesday 5th March

Year 2 Parent / Teacher consultations

Wednesday 6th March

Year 4 Parent / Teacher consultations

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day

Monday 11th March

EYFS Parent / Teacher consultations

Tuesday 12th March

Year 3 Parent / Teacher consultations

Thursday 14th March

Year 5 Parent / Teacher consultations

Friday 15th March

Red Nose Day

Monday 18th March

Stars of Northstead:

9am—EYFS / Y1 / Y2

10am—Y3 / Y4

11am—Y5 / Y6

Wednesday 20th March—Friday 22nd March

Travelling Book Fair in School

Friday 22nd March

School Closes for Easter Break