

# NORTHSTEAD NEWS

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## Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents,

### Welcome to Summer Half Term 2!

We are thrilled to welcome you and your children back for the second half of our summer term! This term promises to be packed with excitement and memorable experiences for all our students, as we continue to encourage responsibility, strive for excellence, and support every child in being the best they can be.

I would like to thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. We look forward to sharing these wonderful experiences with you and your children in the weeks ahead.

Mr Hopper

### Library Books

Please could any school library books from year 6 be returned as soon as possible. The latest date for borrowing books for other year groups will be Friday 21st June.

**ALL books must be returned to school by Friday 28th June.**

Thank you





## Sports Days

Our annual Sports Days have been and gone and we witnessed our students showcasing their athletic skills and team spirit. It's always a highlight of the year, filled with fun, friendly competition, and lots of cheering from family and friends. Many thanks for taking the time to attend and cheer on the children.



### **Key Stage 1 (KS1) and Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)**

On 26 / 27th June, students will have the pleasure of experiencing Speedkix, where they will participate in a variety of engaging and dynamic sports activities designed specifically for their age groups.



We would like to inform you that Miss Hatton will be leaving our school on 7th June. Miss Hatton has been an invaluable member of our teaching staff, and she will be greatly missed by both colleagues and students. We wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

We would also like to welcome back Miss Seeley and Miss Galinski from their maternity leave.



**Key Stage 2 (KS2)** will be embarking on an exciting visit to the water park next week. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to enjoy some fun in the sun (hopefully) and engage in water-based activities.

Trips to the North Yorkshire Water Park next week:

- Tuesday 11th June Year 4
- Wednesday 12th June Year 3
- Thursday 13th June Year 5
- Friday 14th June Year 6

We are very much looking forward to our day at North Yorkshire Water Park next week. **WE WILL BE GETTING WET!**

Children need to arrive at the **front entrance to school from 8:20am** on the morning of the trip. Registers will be taken at 8:30 in the hall and the children will then walk to the buses, which will leave promptly at 8:45am.

**Your child MUST be in school for 8:30 to be registered.**

Children who are late / miss the bus will not attend the Water Park and will remain in school in another year group for the day.

Children will take part in a range of activities over the course of the day, some in the water and some on land. Your child will need to **dress warmly**—they do not need to wear school uniform on this day.

Please send your child to school with their **swimming costume underneath their clothing**—this will make it easier to get into wetsuits in the communal changing rooms.

As well as wearing their swimming costume and lots of warm clothing, your child will need to bring:

- Suitable lakeside shoes, eg flip flops / sliders / crocs
- A large towel
- A packed lunch (please ensure you have booked a free school meal lunch if your child is eligible)
- A water bottle
- Underwear

We will be outside all day so please ensure your child is wearing high factor **sun cream**—you may wish to send more for your child to top up at lunch time.

**No jewellery** should be worn to the Water Park, including earrings or watches. The children will be required to wear helmets in the water so please ensure hair is tied back, in low pony tails / plaits to be comfortable under their helmet.

## Changeable Weather

As the weather is very changeable at the moment, please ensure your child is dressed appropriately. e.g sun cream and sun hat or raincoat as necessary.



## Over The Rainbow

We are excited to announce our amazing drama production which promises to be an unforgettable event.

Performances will take place on:

Tuesday 25th June 6:00pm

Wednesday 26th June 6:00pm

Thursday 27th June 6:00pm

Letters have been sent home this week with details of how to buy tickets.



Please ensure that any monies owed for breakfast club, after school club, dinner money or any other items are fully paid for on ParentPay before the end of term so that your balance is clear for the end of this academic year.



Many Thanks



## TRANSITION INFORMATION NIGHT

We would like to invite all parents and carers to our transition information evenings in school, where you can meet your child's new teacher and be guided through what the next year will look like for you and your child. You will also have the opportunity to speak with the staff, share any information with the new teacher and ask any questions you may have.

These important meetings will be taking place on the following dates:

New to Year 6 (for children currently in Year 5)	Wednesday 10th July 3:20pm
New to Year 5 (for children currently in Year 4)	Monday 15th July 3:20pm
New to Year 4 (for children currently in Year 3)	Monday 15th July 3:20pm
New to Year 3 (for children currently in Year 2)	Tuesday 9th July 3:20pm
New to Year 2 (for children currently in Year 1)	Monday 15th July 3:20pm
New to Year 1 (for children currently in EYFS)	Monday 8th July 3:20pm
New EYFS starters induction evening	Wednesday 3rd July 5pm

### **A Polite Reminder**

When arriving at school on a morning with your child(ren), please do not enter school through the car park . There are visitors and deliveries arriving at this time so please use the footpath.

Please support us with this and help us to keep your children safe.



## **Important Notice: Social Responsibility and Parking on Maple Drive**

As we continue to foster a sense of community and responsibility within our school, we must address an important issue concerning parking on Maple Drive.

It has come to our attention that some parents/carers are not adhering to parking regulations and are creating unsafe conditions for our students and local residents. We must emphasize the importance of social responsibility when parking in this area. Over the past two months I have had several reports of near misses where children and adults have nearly been knocked over or hit by a car when leaving or arriving at school.

### **Key Points to Remember:**

- 1. Safety First:** Please avoid parking on the pavements or in a manner that obstructs visibility for pedestrians and other drivers. Our students' safety is our top priority, and we need your cooperation to ensure they can travel to and from school safely.
- 2. Respect for Residents:** Maple Drive is a residential area, and it is crucial to respect the properties and driveways of those who live there. Blocking driveways or parking in restricted areas can cause significant inconvenience and frustration for our neighbours.
- 3. Legal Compliance:** Ensure that you are parking legally at all times. Illegal parking not only poses safety risks but can also result in fines and penalties. Our yellow zigzags are clearly signposted. They are not for parking on or dropping off. Please do not enter these areas with your car.
- 4. Considerate Behaviour:** Please be mindful of other parents and children during peak times. Allow extra time for drop-offs and pick-ups, and consider carpooling or walking to reduce congestion.

We understand that parking can be challenging, but with everyone's cooperation and commitment to social responsibility, we can make Maple Drive a safer and more pleasant environment for everyone. Thank you for your understanding and support 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

Tuesday 11th June	Y4 North Yorkshire Water Park
Wednesday 12th June	Y3 North Yorkshire Water Park
Thursday 13th June	Y5 North Yorkshire Water Park
Friday 14th June	Y6 North Yorkshire Water Park
Wednesday 19th June	EYFS Visit to Woldies
Tuesday 25th June	Over The Rainbow Performance 6pm
Wednesday 26th June	Over The Rainbow Performance 6pm
Wednesday 26th June	SpeedKix Activity Day—EYFS / Y1
Thursday 27th June	Over The Rainbow Performance 6pm
Thursday 27th June	Speedkix Activity Day EYFS / Y2
Wednesday 3rd July	EYFS Induction Evening 5pm
Thursday 4th July	Transition Days in School and Y6 to Secondary
Friday 5th July	Transition Days in School and Y6 to Secondary
Monday 8th July	New to Y1 Parents Evening 3:20—4:20pm
Tuesday 9th July	New to Y3 Parents Evening 3:20—4:20pm
Wednesday 10th July	New to Y6 Parents Evening 3:20—4:20pm
Wednesday 10th July	EYFS Train and Beach Day
Thursday 11th July	FONS and School Summer Fair 3—5pm
Friday 12th July	Reports to Parents / Carers
Monday 15th July	New to Y2/Y4/Y5 Parents Evening 3:20—4:20pm
Thursday 18th July	Y6 Leavers Disco 5:30—7:00pm
Friday 19th July	Y6 Leavers assembly 10am
Friday 19th July	End of the academic Year 2023-2024
	Break up for Summer