



# Norwood Primary School

## NEWSLETTER

### End of School Year 2009/2010

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#### Norwood Celebration 2009/2010

Our **themed learning curriculum** goes from strength to strength with this term's Narnia being an extremely popular topic. Indeed the sales of DVD's for Narnia must have kept Amazon in business for the last few weeks! Our end of year production at The Voyager School on Thursday evening was extremely well supported and the children, I think you will agree, did an excellent job having worked hard to make the evening a complete success. Many thanks go to all of the adults and children who all worked together to stage such a polished production and thanks of course to The Voyager School for allowing us to hold this event in their auditorium. The **sporting events** this year have been many and varied – tag rugby, multi-skills, football, girl's football and netball. Both the football teams have been involved in tournaments this year and have been very successful. Steve Johnson as coach for the boys' football team, Michelle Heatherington as coach for the girls' football team and Fiona Watt as coach for the netball team have been an inspiration to the children and our thanks to them for spending such a lot of time building up the teams.

Our annual event of **Norwood's Got Talent** always amazes the staff that year on year we have so much talent at Norwood. This year's event was won by Jessica Scrine singing a Pixie Lott rendition of "Cry Me Out" – a worthy winner, but thank you to everyone who took part and to one and all who helped out on the evening.

The **garden** is now in its second year and is developing well, with gardening now being a part of our school curriculum. Steve Johnson, with help from children, is co-ordinator for this initiative and it is with thanks to him that it looks so good.

The **country dancing** this year was wonderful and we actually had a sunny day for the event. The uniform for the dancing has become worn and we have decided to replace this with the help of the NSA. A new set of dancing skirts will be organised for next year and they will be more up to date and modern in design. Thank you to Annie Gill for organising this. We also have many musically talented children here at Norwood with an orchestra, choir and drama club. Thank you to Mrs Weston, Miss Perkins and Mrs Locke for their tireless efforts and time spent in encouraging the children with this.

#### NSA

The members of the NSA have worked really hard this year in organising many events from school discos to fayres as well supporting the school events with tea, coffee and cakes. The leaver's disco was incredibly successful this time with a new DJ/Entertainer for the evening. The children were completely entertained the whole time and thoroughly enjoyed it. With the NSA's tireless efforts this year they have managed to raise £8000 to allow us to purchase laptop notebooks for each classroom to enable the children to have swift and easy access to ICT provision. Many thanks to the NSA for their hard work throughout the year.

#### Tribute to Matthew Warn

We all still remember and miss Mat very much and can hardly believe that it is almost a year ago that he died. Throughout the academic year we have discussed many ideas for a fitting and long lasting tribute to a wonderful teacher and gentleman. We have secured funding for our venture and we are currently liaising with the necessary bodies to ensure that our plans are feasible and carried out to a high standard. At the start of next academic year we will be able to share further information with you but at this stage please be assured that the tribute will be reflective of Mat's love of sport, children and high quality provision.

#### Professional Days

It has been confirmed that next academic year we will have an additional training day. Norwood had scheduled this date for Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June and children will not attend school on this date.

#### Uniform

A request has been made that we remind you of the uniform requirements for the start of next academic year.

- White polo shirts or blouses,
- Grey trousers/skirts/pinafore dresses
- poppy red cardigans/jumpers
- grey or white socks/tights
- black shoes – no trainers please
- Long hair should be tied back for P.E. and earrings should be removed or taped over – tape should be provided from home.
- We also ask that there are **no** extreme hair styles next year i.e. dying to un-natural colours, tram lines, Mohicans or completely shaven heads.

Your help in keeping the children looking as neat and tidy and as uniformed as possible is always extremely appreciated.

#### Goodbye

This year we have to say goodbye to Michelle Heatherington (Yr1) and Rachel Wheatley (Yr5) and of course to our year 6 pupils. We send them our best wishes and good luck for their futures. Also goodbye to Miss Swift who will return in September as Mrs Cockerel – we all send our congratulations to the happy couple on this event.

#### And lastly ...

We say a huge thank you to you the Parents and Carers who have worked with the school and supported us so much throughout this school year. Thank you!!

#### End of Term

The summer term finishes on Wednesday 21st July 2010.

