



# Norwood Primary School

## NEWSLETTER

### May 2010

Head Teacher—Mrs D Reynolds



#### Norwood School Field

The fence for our school field is still an on-going issue. We are working very closely with the Local Authority and the surrounding community and once we have a start date for the work to commence we will let you know.

#### Inclusion Charter Mark

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you the fantastic re-accreditation of the Inclusion Charter Mark. We were commended for a number of areas of strengths including

- Our children and staff are very proud of the school and have a good sense of belonging
- The children's behaviour is good and they clearly understand what is expected of them
- The children are very clear about who they can ask for support
- Our Governors are very supportive of the school
- Lunch time supervision is a strength and our limited playground space is well used

Many thanks go to Miss Swift who led this great achievement.

#### Country Dancing

This is due to take place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2010. The dancing starts at 2.15pm – weather permitting, and will finish at the usual end of school day. There will be tea, coffee and delicious home baked cakes available for a small donation to school funds all provided for by the NSA.

#### Summer is Here

As the summer weather has finally arrived, please can you ensure that your child has their water bottle and a sun hat in school at all times. Children are allowed to bring in sun cream in a named bottle for use at appropriate times of the school day (i.e. lunchtimes and outside P.E. session). The cream should be handed into the class teacher who will store it appropriately until the children require it. This is to be applied by the child and is for their sole use only.

#### Drum Lessons

We have been contacted by Will Wells of Deeping St James to see if any pupils would be interested in learning to play the drums! The lessons are given on an individual or group basis. If you do not have a drum kit then Will can provide one to play on for the duration of the lesson and he can also provide practice pads and drum sticks. Please contact the office to acknowledge your child's interest and to discuss fees.

#### Report dates

Your child's annual reports will be issued on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2010. Our summer open evening will be held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2010 and is an opportunity for you discuss with your child's class teacher any arising issues.

#### Childcare Information

In the office we have a folder full of information on childcare. Within this folder there is a "Guide to Childcare" and a range of updated literature. It is a useful tool for parents/carers wishing to find out more about types of childcare, help with the cost of childcare and the childcare providers available in

our local area. If you need any assistance, please contact the office.

#### New Texting Service

We are now utilising our new texting service whereby should your child be injured during school hours we will contact you by text to say that your child has received first aid and for you to look out for the completed information slip in your child's book bag. However, if your child suffers a significant injury you will be contacted by telephone from the office as usual. To this end it is paramount that you please make sure the office has your up to date mobile number.

#### Dates for your Diaries

*11<sup>th</sup> June – Dress Down Day.*

We will be holding a dress down day at school. All we ask in return is for your child to bring in a donation as follows:-

**Reception, Year 1, 2 and 3** to bring in packets of sweets – please no chocolate, it may melt!!

**Years 4, 5 and 6** to bring in bottles. To give you an idea of what you could bring in we would suggest wine, squash, tomato sauce, coke or lemonade.

All of these donations will be put to good use as prizes for our fayre on 19 June.

*19<sup>th</sup> June – Summer Fayre at Norwood School – 2pm until 4pm.*

This year promises to be a fantastic event with a huge bouncy castle, craft stall, face painting, refreshments, cake stall, BBQ, ice creams and the Police and Fire Engine have even said that they will come and visit the school just so long as there are no emergencies that they have to attend to instead! There will be a country dancing exhibition and the orchestra and Genesis dance group will also entertain us with their many talents.

*29<sup>th</sup> June – New to Norwood*

The new school year will be starting in September and already the reception intake for 2010-2011 are eagerly looking forward to their new school. Our new pupils will be visiting with their parents/carers on this date to discover more information about our school and to get a taster for the school that they will be attending in September.

*8<sup>th</sup> July – Leavers Disco*

KS1 disco will start at 3.30pm and the children can be collected at 4.30pm. KS2 disco will start at 4.45pm and finish at 6pm. A new disco has been booked for the event which promises to be very exciting with fun, games and lots of music and dancing. More details will be posted nearer the time – check emails, book bags and notice boards.

*20<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Event*

\*\*\*Watch this space - Information for Year 6 parents/carers will follow soon.\*\*\*

#### Learning Platform

Next half term we will launch our Kaleidos Learning Platform with our children and then parents/carers. A learning Platform is a web-based provision that provides teachers, learners, parents and others involved in education with information, tools and resources to support and enhance educational delivery and management.