



Norwood Primary School

NEWSLETTER

May 2009

Head Teacher—Mrs D Reynolds



New Appointments

On Friday the 8th of May, Norwood School held a round of Class Teacher Interviews. The process was incredibly rigorous and I am pleased to announce that we have now appointed, on a permanent basis, Miss Watt. We were also fortunate to be able to appoint Miss Benson as Class Teacher, who will join us from September 2009. The merits of adding to our team is a greater flexibility in delivering the intervention strategies we utilise to accelerate our children's learning.

During the second half of the summer term we will be in a position to share with you the year groups that each of our teachers will be deployed to. For everyone involved, school, children and parents/carers, this is a very important decision, one that is never taken lightly and always based on best interests of the children.

Medicines in School

Thank you to all of the parents/carers that have followed our new systems for ensuring the appropriate storage and administration of medicines in school, particularly inhalers. At the end of each half term, any medicines kept in school are returned home with the children. When medicines are then returned to school for the next half term the appropriate forms need to be completed by parents/carers, these give clear guidance to school for correct administration.

For other medicines to be administered by school, treatment must be prescribed by a doctor and require four or more doses per day. This medicine needs delivering to the school office each day by an adult, with the correct form completed and signed. It is then the responsibility of the adult to collect the medicine at the end of the day. As most medicine states 'keep out of reach of children' it is not appropriate for children to be given the responsibility of handing in or collecting medicines from the school office.

Council Funding

We have received additional funding of over £4000. This is wonderful news and will be invested directly into areas of school that will impact on the provision that is available for your children. When a decision has been made we will inform you of the improvements/investments to be made.

Staff and Official Visitor Car Park

Thank you to the Governors that have taken on the commitment to ensure that the school rules regarding the car park are adhered to. I hope that this has shared the message clearly to the adults about how committed we are to the health and safety of our children. We have improved our signs in this area to ensure that messages are no longer ambiguous. Please

can I also remind you that it is the responsibility of the parents/carers to ensure that any friends/relatives with the responsibility of dropping off or collecting children are aware of this rule.

Norwood school car park is for staff and official visitors only. Children and parents/carers are NOT to use the car park or to walk through the car park as this is a Health and Safety issue.

Diary Dates

Country Dancing

A reminder that Norwood will participate in the Peterborough Country Dancing festival. This event will take place on the evening of Thursday 21st May at Welbourne Primary School. More information for interested children will follow.

Norwood School will hold our own event on Friday 22nd May at 1.45pm. Each class will perform their own country dances and the Year 6 children will share their Maypole skills.

The Reception team will be selling teas, coffees, biscuits, strawberries etc. All proceeds will go to improving the outside provision of our Reception setting.

All parents/carers are welcome to come along and join in the fun.

Please note that should weather conditions not allow for this event to take place, it will be rescheduled to after half term.

Summer Half Term Holiday

Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May 2009

Summer Holiday

Monday 20th July – Monday 7th September 2009
(children returning on Tuesday 8th September 2009)

Term Dates 2009/2010

Autumn Term 2009

Opens	Tuesday 8 September
Ends	Friday 18 December
Half Term	26 - 30 October

Spring Term 2010

Opens	Tuesday 5 January
Ends	Friday 26 March
Half Term	15 - 19 February

Summer Term 2010

Opens	Monday 12 April
Ends	Wednesday 21 July
May Day	Monday 3 May
Half Term	31 May - 4 June