



# Norwood Primary School NEWSLETTER

September 2009 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

Head Teacher—Mrs D Reynolds



## Reception Children

Well done to all of our wonderful Reception children who have settled into Norwood School and are now with us on full time basis. Miss Swift and her team have once again ensured a smooth transition into Reception Class where the children are confident and independent in their own classroom as well as quickly becoming part of the larger school community by exploring other parts of our school such as the Library and ICT Suite as well as joining us for assembly.

## Staffing Update

Miss Swift, our Acting Assistant Head Teacher, has settled very well into her new role and is providing fantastic support for staff, children and parent/carers.

Miss Ellis is no longer a member of staff at Norwood School. We wish to thank Elizabeth for all her work for the school in her 21 years of service and we wish her well in the future.

## Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival assembly will take place on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2009 and will be led by Reverend Deverrel from Paston Church. This year we will once again be supporting the very worthy cause of St Teresa's and ask for donations of non perishable food items to be made from today until the 5<sup>th</sup> October.

St Teresa's also collect old clothes, towels, blankets etc for recycling and charity.

## Individual and Family Photographs

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2009 we have a visit from PSP who will take both family and individual photographs. Please see the attached letter for further information.

## Consultation Evening

Our Autumn Term Consultation Evening dates are

- Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2009 4.30 – 7.00pm
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2009 3.30 – 5.30pm

A letter will be issued to outline the arrangements for the evenings.

## Clubs

Please be aware that a letter will be issued shortly that outlines the clubs and extra curricular activities provided by Norwood School. Please discuss with your child the range of clubs on offer, their particular interests and the commitment that they must make to attend should they be successfully selected for a club.

## Garden

Mr Steve Johnson has started to work on the school garden, carrying out the much needed tasks that Autumn

brings. As a school we will develop the ways that our children gain access to and become involved in our school garden. Currently it is difficult for school to invest in resources to further improve the garden when we regrettably receive so much vandalism.

**We are committed to the children being able to access outdoor learning and will strive to ensure that the environment our children play and learn in is safe, secure and poses no risks to their health and well being.**

## Vouchers for School

Norwood School continues to collect the range of vouchers and tokens issued by shops and supermarkets. At the moment we are currently collecting :

- Morrison's Let it Grow – helps school to purchase tools and resources to support the school garden.
- Flora - helps school to purchase equipment and resources for cooking and baking in school. The codes from the packs can either be entered in to the Norwood section of the Flora Website or the voucher sent into school.
- Nestle Box Tops – these are exchanged for a range educational books.

## Car Park

I have received a letter from Designer Group, United News and the Harrier Public House that are located opposite Norwood School. It has been requested that our parents/carers **do not** use their business car parks to drop off and pick up children.

The businesses have received feedback stating the difficulty in parking which is impacting negatively on customer access. Many Gunthorpe Road residents have contacted the school to request that cars are parked in a considerate and safe manner. I would also like to take this opportunity to clarify the use of our own staff car park. It is for the use of staff only and should not be accessed by either pedestrians or non official vehicles.

We have asked for support from our local council and police to support this difficult situation.

## Inclusion Charter Mark

Miss Swift is collating evidence to support our three year review. Parents/carers will shortly receive a letter with a questionnaire attached. Please could parents/carers support this task by returning any completed forms to school.