





Norton Hill News

Newsletter 3 - Monday 14th October 2024



**NORTON HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL'S
STARBOOKS CAFE IS OPEN!**

 **Norton Hill**
Primary School

WEDNESDAY 16TH OCTOBER
SESSION 1- HONEYBEE CLASS
9:00-9:30AM
SESSION 2- BUMBLEBEE CLASS
9:45-10:15AM
SESSION 3- DRAGONFLY CLASS
10:30-11:00AM

We would like to invite parents/carers/grandparents to our reading cafe sessions where you are able to share a book with your child. We offer tea, coffee, squash and biscuits to enjoy whilst you read. We greatly appreciate small cash donations at the sessions to enable us to sustain the reading cafe. Please bring a travel mug for a hot drink if possible.

HEADTEACHERS AWARD

	Friday 4th October	Friday 11th October
Bumblebee Class	Evie	Bella
Honeybee Class	Bonnie	Finley
Dragonfly Class	Imogen	Lennie
Turtle Class	Lara	Rupert
Terrapin Class	Ethan	Skye
Gecko Class	Lincoln	Lily-Rose
Iguana Class	Hunter	Reggie
Leopard Class	Arthur	Ted

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Details
Wednesday 16th October	Starbooks	Reception/Year 1
Wednesday 16th October	Learn with Me - Gecko Class	Parents/carers welcome @ 2.15pm
Thursday 17th October	Victorian Experience Day	Year 2 - See SchoolPing
Friday 18th October	Extra Curricular Clubs Finish	Y1 - Y4 ONLY
Wednesday 23rd October	Learn with Me - Bumblebee	Parents/carers welcome @ 9am
Thursday 24th October	Learn with Me - Honeybee	Parents/carers welcome @ 9am
Thursday 24th October	Last day of Term 1	Whole School
Thursday 24th October	No After School Club	Whole School
Friday 25th October	Inset Day	Whole School
Monday 4th November	Start of Term 2	
Monday 4th November	Parents Meeting	Reception to Year 4 3.30pm -6.30pm
Wednesday 6th November	Parents Meeting	Bumblebee 1.30pm-2.30pm Leopard 1.30pm -2.30pm
Thursday 7th November	Parents Meetings	Gecko 1.30pm - 3.30pm Honeybee 1.30pm-2.30pm and 3.30pm - 5.00pm Dragonfly 9.00am - 10.00am 3.30pm -5.30pm Bumblebee 3.30pm -5.30pm Iguana 3.30pm - 5.30pm Leopard 3.30pm - 5.30pm Turtle and Terrapin 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Monday 11th November	Armistice Workshops	Year 3 & Year 4
Monday 11th November	Extra-curricular clubs start	All clubs starting
Tuesday 12th November	Learn with Me - Dragonfly Class	Parents/carers welcome @ 2.15pm
Tuesday 19th November	Learn with Me - Iguana Class	Parents/carers welcome @ 2pm
Wednesday 20th November	Learn with Me - Turtle Class	Parents/carers welcome @ 2pm
Thursday 21st November	Learn with Me - Terrapin Class	Parents/carers welcome @ 2pm
Wednesday 27th November	School Inset Day	School Closed to pupils in Reception - Year 4. School open for Nursery
Wednesday 27th November	After School Club	Only available until 4.30pm
Thursday 5th December	Immunisations	School nursing team visit - Form sent via SchoolPing
Friday 6th December	Extra-curricular Clubs Finish	All clubs finished
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Dinner	More details to follow
Friday 20th December	No After school Club	
Friday 20th December	Last day of Term 2	

Birthday's

At the NHP we cannot accept birthday cakes / treats brought into the school for children / teachers due to allergies amongst us. This also includes handing out invitations to children within the classroom. Whilst we appreciate that children would like to hand out invites for their birthday parties, we ask that this is done outside of school times. Birthdays are celebrated each week during our Friday Celebration Assembly and children celebrating each week are brought to the front of the assembly to be sung to and to share their Birthday plans with the school.

We also have a birthday book scheme, there is no requirement to take part in the 'Birthday Book' initiative. Books purchased are gifted in Celebration Assembly and a poster is added inside the book with your child's name and Birthday. All books are then placed in the library on our Birthday Book shelf. Please be reassured that we will always celebrate and mark these important days in our children's lives, whether a book is gifted or not.

Nursery Book List	Reception Book List	Year 1 Book List
Year 2 Book List	Year 3 Book List	Year 4 Book List

Learn with Me

Class	Date
Bumblebee	Wednesday 23rd October @ 9am
Honeybee	Thursday 24th October @ 9am
Dragonfly	Tuesday 12th November @ 2.15pm
Terrapin	Thursday 21st November @ 2pm
Turtle	Wednesday 20th November @ 2pm
Gecko	Wednesday 16th October @ 2.15pm
Iguana	Tuesday 19th November @ 2pm
Leopard	Monday 14th October @ 2pm

Office Update

Wraparound Care : Additional spaces have been added to every session in ParentPay.

School Meals - Please continue to check your child's school meals by midnight Thursday for the following week.

Free School Meals -

If you think you may be entitled to Free School meals please click the link below to apply:

<https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Tax Free Childcare /Childcare voucher payments - Please allow 1 week for payments to be allocated to ParentPay. To enable us to allocate the payments quicker please can you email the School Office with the following information EVERY TIME.

- **Child's Unique Reference Code**
- **Date Paid**
- **Amount £**
- **Where and the amount you would like the money allocated in ParentPay i.e breakfast club/after school club/nursery**

Unfortunately we are not able to accept vouchers to pay for extra-curricular clubs/meals or trips.



Become a School Governor



Are you passionate about education? Do you want to help shape the future of young minds?

Becoming a school governor is an incredible opportunity to use your skills, time, and passion to ensure students receive the best education and support. Whether you're a parent, professional, or community member, your voice can make a real impact in the direction and success of our schools.

Make a Lasting Impact in Five Key Ways:

- Attend termly Governing Body meetings, reviewing data and ensuring the best outcomes for students.
- Get tailored, ongoing training to build your skills and understand your role (induction, safeguarding, and more).
- Act as a link governor, focusing on an area of your interest or expertise, and reporting on school progress.
- Represent the school positively in the community – become a proud ambassador!
- Take part in important panels (interviews, exclusions, and more), shaping the school's future.

Who Can Be a School Governor?

No prior experience is needed! All that's required is a commitment to the role and a willingness to learn. We need governors from all walks of life:

- Parent Governors: Provide insights from the parent community.
- Community Governors: Bring your skills and experience, even without a direct connection to the school.
- Foundation Governors: Preserve the school's religious character.
- Staff Governors: Offer the unique perspective of school staff.

What Do You Get Out of It?

Being a school governor is incredibly rewarding! You'll develop valuable skills, make a positive impact in your community, and help prepare students for success in further education and beyond. It's a role that's challenging but never dull, giving you the chance to contribute to something truly meaningful.



For more information, contact Emily Walker (Governance Professional): ewalker@msnpartnership.com

Find a list of local governing bodies on the MNSP website.