

Weekly Newsletter

Welcome back!!

Welcome to the new school year and our refreshed newsletter! We hope you enjoyed a restful summer. It's been wonderful to see the children return with such energy, and we especially welcome our new families who we are looking forward to getting to know you.

Staff have been busy preparing for an exciting term of learning and activities, and we remain committed to helping every child GROW: academically, socially, and personally.

Thank you to everyone who attended Wednesday's Meet the Teacher meetings; for those who couldn't, the information will soon be available on the website under your child's year group.



A Huge Hello to our newest and youngest intake!

Well done to our new Year Reception children, who have made a fantastic start at school! They've arrived with smiles, curiosity, and are already building friendships. It's been lovely to see them exploring their classrooms, learning routines, and settling in so confidently. We are so proud of them and excited to see their growth in the weeks ahead.

A new journey begins

We are delighted to share that Norris Bank has now officially joined the Laurus Trust!

This is a really positive step for our whole school community, as it gives us even more opportunities to grow and improve for our children, families and staff.

Most of our pupils move on to Priestnall, which joined the Trust in 2023. Now, our children can benefit from a consistent Laurus education from age 4 right through to 16 years!

Joining the Trust will make us stronger and open up lots of new possibilities, while we continue to proudly celebrate everything that makes Norris Bank Primary School so special.

We're already working on improving our systems to align with the Trust, including how we keep in touch with you. Our <u>new</u> <u>school website is live</u>, so please do have a look if you haven't yet.

Thank you for your patience and support as we make these exciting changes together over the coming weeks.





GROW STARS OF THE WEEK

Reception

Annie W Ophelia B

KS1

Year 1: Harriet S & Freddie C **Year 2:** Aisha A-H & Alex O

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Year 3: Florence A & Oskar O-S

Year 4: Sina H & Evie C

Year 5: Ibrahim A-H & Lixian A

Year 6: Penny B & Penny S

MEDICATION REMINDER

If your child requires medication in school, you must contact the office to complete the necessary forms.

For asthma, please inform the school and provide an inhaler and spacer.

For other medication, e.g. epi-pens, speak to the office and complete the forms.

Ensure all medication is in date (some now only last 6 months).

Children must not carry or bring medication in book bags—all medication must be handed in via the office.

REMINDERS

Pick up time: Please make sure you know what time your child finishes school. 3.15pm Year R-2 and 3.20pm Year 3-6.

Inventry: When signing your child in or out via the Inventry system, please record the reason, as this becomes part of their school record for the Education Welfare Service.

PLEASE REMEMBER WE ARE AN ALLERGY AWARE SCHOOL - UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD NUTS, OR ANY PRODUCT CONTAINING NUTS, BE BROUGHT ON TO SCHOOL PREMISES.

Updated contact information

TELEPHONE

Our new school number is **0161 549 7550**. Please update your records. When calling this number, you can:

- · Report your child's absence
- Speak to the main school office
- Leave a message for Branching Out Kids Club via their answer phone

EMAIL

All emails must now be sent to: admin@norrisbank.org.uk

Do not email staff directly. Instead, include "For the attention of [Name]" in your message.

For SEND matters or to contact Mrs Burney (SENDCO), use: **SEND@norrisbank.org.uk**

Please allow for response times in line with staff working days and teaching commitments.

IMPORTANT

Our old email system and addresses stopped working on the last day of term. Any emails sent to them over the summer were not received. Please re-send these to the admin email above.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

For a full list of dates for the 2025-26 academic year, please see our Annual Planner which can be accessed by clicking on this link.

Date

24th September (details to follow) 1st October 2nd October

8th October 10th October 14th October 23rd October

24th October half term W/B 26th October

3rd November 4th November

Event

Year R Meet the teacher meetings

Black History Month

Open day for Sept 26 Reception Cohort Year R phonics meeting

Harvest Fair after school
Open day for Sept 26 Reception Cohort

PTA Halloween Discos Last day before we close for October

School closed for Half Term School closed: INSET DAY School reopens