

Year 6



Miss Aspey

Mrs Doe

Mrs Furmidge

LSAs

Miss Barker

Mrs Chopra

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Key People in School

Mrs Ponsen: Head teacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead so any worries about children or safeguarding please speak to her

Mrs Evans: Deputy Head and DSL who oversees our creative curriculum and pupil premium children

Mrs Burney: SENDCO: Any concerns about your child and their development either emotionally or academically

Mrs Ewing: School Business Manager

Miss Johnson: School Secretary

Mrs Stanley: Branching Out Manager

Mrs Bardsley: Branching out Deputy Manager



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Help and where to go:

1. Email the school admin@norrisbank.org.uk
2. Speak to the relevant senior leader that is attached to your child's phase in school
 - Mrs Thomas:** Early Years Leader
 - Mrs Evans:** Year 1 and 2 Phase Leader
 - Mrs Barrowcliff:** Year 3 and 4 Phase Leader
 - Mrs Doe:** Year 5 and 6 Phase Leader



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Year 6 Team

We are very lucky to have **three teachers** in Year 6.

Mrs Furmidge will be working with the Year 6 cohort Monday to Thursday in the mornings and covering PPA in KS2.

The children will work with all three members of staff throughout the year.

Your child will always know exactly who they will be working with at all times.

Mrs Buchanan will teach the children P.E on a **Monday and Tuesday**.

Swapping teachers and classrooms will also help your child's transition to secondary school.

It also allows all children to work in smaller group sizes to maximise their learning potential.



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Routines

- **English, Maths, Spelling** and **Reading** are completed in the **mornings**.
- From **Monday to Thursday**, the children will be taught in **3 groups** for Maths, English and Reading. On **Fridays**, **grammar** will be taught in their registration groups.
- **PE: Monday and Tuesday**. Please ensure your child has suitable kit for both days. As we move into the winter months, they will need a tracksuit as part of their outdoor kit.
- **Smile for a Mile: Friday**

Drop off: Gates to school will open at **8:40 am** and children **walk straight into school**.

Pick up: Children will be brought back to the playground for the end of the school day at **3:20pm** and line up again.

Walking home: Children in Year 5 and 6 may walk home from school alone. The form is available on the school website. <http://www.norrisbank.org.uk>



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What will the children need?

- Reading book
- Homework books
- Water bottle
- Packed lunch
- Snacks**: if children wish to have a snack at playtime, they need to bring it from home (Please ensure a healthy snack and **no nuts**)
- Please remember that we are a **nut free school** due to allergies.
- School will provide your child with essentials for the classroom.
- An **indoor and outdoor PE kit** will need to be kept in their school locker for the duration of the term.
- Any **letters or slips** for school need to be given to the office or class teacher.
- If your child is **walking independently to school**, we understand that they **may need to bring a phone** to school. They must ensure that it is switched off before entering the school gates, for safeguarding reasons. Phones will be collected from the children in the morning, stored in the classroom and given back at the end of the day. **Personal phones brought into school by pupils are not school's responsibility**. Please no smart watches or Fitbits.
- No toys, games or cards** are allowed to be brought into school.



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Uniform

- **School shoes** should be worn, please.
- No jewellery is to be worn in school other than a watch (this cannot be a smart watch of any sort including Fitbit due to safeguarding). **If children cannot remove earrings, they must be stud earrings only and these must be covered for PE lessons.**
- Any **hair bands** worn need to be plain and in **school colours of black, grey or green.**
- During the cold weather, children need to make sure that they bring a school jumper as coats should not be worn inside the building.
- Please ensure your **child's uniform is clearly labelled.**
- Please ensure your child has a **coat** in school every day. We will go out at break time in most weathers!

Medical

- If your child requires any **medication** during the school day, you will need to **complete the medical form** which is on the **school's website**. <http://www.norrisbank.org.uk> This needs to be handed into the office.
- Please make sure that your **child's inhaler** is brought into school with a spacer.



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GROW



- In year 6, we will continue to explore, celebrate and develop our school's grow values:

Goals, Respect, Ownership and Working Together

- **RA** :- We continue to follow a **restorative approach** in school.
- **Golden Rules** (same in all classes throughout the school)
- **Friday assemblies** will continue to focus around our **GROW values**.



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Creative Curriculum

Autumn 1: All at Sea!

Autumn 2: The Beagle and the Baird

Spring 1: Sustainable Stockport

Spring 2: Stars and Stripes

Summer 1: Let there be Light!

Summer 2: Born to Lead

Curriculum Forecasts with more detail about our learning are **available each half term.**



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Religious Education

One of our RE units works through bereavement and what different religions do when times get hard. We complete this topic just after the October Half term. Please let us know if this is an area of concern for your child.



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P.S.H.E

Throughout the year, the children will cover many sensitive topics through our circle time activities. Please look carefully at the termly overview to see which areas we are covering that half term and let us know if you have any concerns about these as soon as possible. We will cover puberty and human reproduction during the summer term.

Year 6 PSHE/RSHE Coverage

Y6	Attraction to others; romantic relationships; civil partnership and marriage New Class routines/structures	Expressing opinions and respecting other points of view, including discussing topical issues	Recognising and managing pressure; consent in different situations	Valuing diversity; Challenging discrimination and stereotypes	Evaluating media sources; sharing things online	Influences and attitudes to money; money and financial risks	What affects mental health and ways to take care of it; managing change, loss and bereavement; managing time online	Human reproduction and birth; increasing independence; managing transition	Keeping personal information safe; regulations and choices; drug use and the law; drug use and the media Transition to next class
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- Weekly ‘circle time’ sessions
- Restorative Approaches = focuses on building positive relationships
- ‘What Worked Well’ sessions on a Friday
- ‘Smile for a Mile’
- ‘Time to Unwind’ sessions at lunch time (KS2)
- An ELSA assistant for targeted individual children
- Wellbeing day during the year
- ‘Get Active’ (body and mind week)
- Senior mental health lead= Mrs Furness



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Homework

- **CGP books** will be given out- These need to be paid for through **Parent Pay** and we will set pages to be completed weekly.
- **Grammar** homework and **spellings** given out on **Friday** to be returned the following Friday.
- **Maths** homework will be given out on **Thursday** and returned the following Thursday.
- **Reading** homework is given out on **Monday** and returned the following Monday. Children **must read 4 times** a week (on separate days) and the relevant homework book must be signed by a parent weekly. Children have access to the library to choose their reading book.

Homework will be written on the class noticeboard each week, so your child is responsible for recording this in their book.

The reason behind having homework on different days is to help the children to develop the skills needed to transition to high school.

In preparation for High School, children who do not complete and return their homework on time will need to stay in to complete it at break time. We do however understand that there may be particular cases where children are unable to complete their homework for very valid reasons. If this is the case at any point in the year, please contact us.



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SATs

- The children will be tested each half term to increase their confidence in sitting formal tests and to assess their progress.

- Children will sit -

reading test (1hr)

punctuation, grammar and spelling test(45mins)

spelling test (20 words)

arithmetic paper (30 mins)

2 maths reasoning papers (40 mins each)

At the end of the year the children will be tested **on their Year 5 and 6 spelling words** as part of their writing portfolio.



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SATs

How you can help

- Read with your child including a focus on comprehension.
- Work through your child's papers when they bring them home.
- Complete weekly homework and other tasks that are set to a high standard.
- SAT support sheets

SATs will be the week beginning **Monday 11th May 2026**

We will run a SATS meeting for parents in January. We will let you know about the date before we finish for Christmas.



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Trips and Visits

Autumn 1: Viking Workshop – Friday 19th September



Spring 2: Robinwood Monday 9th -11th March

Meeting will be scheduled in November



Summer 2: Quarry Bank Mill - Tuesday 9th June



Communication

1. **TELEPHONE** Our new school number is 0161 549 7550.
2. **EMAIL** Any emails to school should now be sent to: admin@norrisbank.org.uk. Please do not email members of staff directly as all email communications must now come through this email.
3. Correspondence with Mrs Burney, our SENDCO, is now : SEND@norrisbank.org.uk
4. **Dojo**. We will continue to use dojo to update you on your child's behaviour points and to share work with you via the class story. **However you will be unable to message us using this system.**
5. **My Children at School' APP** (MCAS) We will be rolling out the My Child at School (MCAS) App soon. My Child at School (MCAS) is an online portal. Details of when and how this change over will happen will be sent out soon.
6. **WEBSITE** <https://www.norrisbank.org.uk> The new website can be accessed on the above link and hopefully will be far easier to navigate. Important form can now be found on the website in year groups- year.....



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