



Weekly Newsletter

My Child at School (MCAS)

My Child at School (MCAS) is now live! This is a gateway enabling parents to view their child's academic performance in real-time via a web browser. This facility allows exclusive access to a student's information such as attendance, timetable, homework and behaviour whenever the parent/carer wishes.

You should have received an invitation to create an account. If this has not appeared in your inbox or junk mail, please follow the steps below to create an account.

Search 'My Child At School' on the internet and go to the log in page. Click 'reset password' and enter the email address you have previously given to the school, then click 'send reset email'. This will send you a link to create your password.

Once you have created your account you can then download the MCAS app and use your details to log in. Please ensure you enable push notifications when you install the app to receive message notifications.

If you are having any issues, please contact the school office.



MEET the TEACHER

Thank you to all the parents who came to the 'Meet the Teacher' meetings. The Powerpoint presentations are now on the school website under 'Parents and Carers' and then select your child's year group. Scroll down to the link where you will find lots of information regarding your child's learning, staffing, curriculum information etc.

Year 6 Viking Day and Year 5 Air Raid Shelter Visit

On Friday, Year 6 were delighted to welcome a Viking visitor into school. The children had a wonderful day learning all about the Vikings, where they came from, the clothes they wore as well as the more gruesome parts of their history such as the different punishments given to people accused of a crime. The history was brought to life as the children were able to handle different weapons (safely of course!), clothing and even see how Viking coins would have been made. It was lovely to see the children throwing themselves into role and we were amazed by all their different costumes. A good day for all involved!



Last Thursday, Year 5 enjoyed an interactive and educational visit to Stockport Air Raid Shelters. They dressed as evacuees and learned about life in the shelter, the blitz and make do and mend. Everybody had a wonderful day and learned a lot.



GROW STARS OF THE WEEK

Reception

Oscar L

Luca J

KS1

Year 1: Ronnie H & Ivy W

Year 2: Mai C & Tayo E

KS2

Year 3: Danny C & Eloise N

Year 4: Bobby T & Louis W

Year 5: Archie L & Liliy W

Year 6: Pippa M & Hayley G

Phonics

Although your child will be taught to read at school, you can have a huge impact on their reading journey by continuing their practice at home. Phonics is the only method that a child can use to decode words, which is the way that the majority of children learn to read. To enable you to gain a better understanding of how we teach phonics at Norris Bank and how you can support your child at home, we are inviting you to a phonics information evening at 5pm on Wednesday 8th October. This evening is primarily for the parents of new Reception children, however if you are new to school or feel that you would like more information about phonics please join us.



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.

Please Note

Please note: the date for the Halloween Disco has changed to Tuesday 21st October.



Please address all correspondence to admin@norrisbank.org.uk. Emails will be forwarded to the appropriate staff member so please remember to put FAO on your email.

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	Event
19th September	Year 6 Viking Day
24th September	Year R Meet the teacher meetings
1st October	Black History Month
2nd October	Open day for Sept 26 Reception Cohort
8th October	Year R phonics meeting
10th October	Harvest Fair after school
14th October	Open day for Sept 26 Reception Cohort
21st October	PTA Halloween Discos
24th October	Last day before we close for October half term
W/B 26th October	School closed for Half Term
3rd November	School closed: INSET DAY
4th November	School reopens