



Weekly Newsletter

Celebrate with Stories not Sweets

With the introduction of new statutory allergy safety requirements for schools, we are continuing to review how we can make our school environment as safe and inclusive as possible for every child. Schools are required to have clear arrangements in place to reduce the risk of children coming into contact with known allergens. [\[gov.uk\]](https://www.gov.uk)

From now on, we kindly ask that **no edible treats or food items are brought into school to celebrate birthdays or other religious celebrations or events.**

We know how exciting birthdays are and absolutely still want children to be able to celebrate their special day with their class. Instead of bringing in sweets, chocolates or other edible treats, families who wish to do so are invited to donate a **Birthday Book to the class.**

Every Birthday Book will receive a special sticker before being added to the class library. The book can then be shared and enjoyed by everyone before eventually becoming part of our special Birthday Books collection in the School Library. This is a lovely way for a child to mark a birthday, while leaving something behind that can be enjoyed by friends and future pupils too.

Thank you, as always, for supporting us in keeping our school safe, inclusive and a wonderful place for all children to learn and celebrate.



Parent Teacher Meetings

We are pleased to let you know that our first Parents' Evening of the academic year will take place on **Monday 5th October** and **Wednesday 7th October**. These dates have been brought forward to ensure that we are aligned with the Laurus Trust assessment timeline, enabling teachers to share the most up-to-date information about your child's progress and next steps in learning. Parents' Evening provides a valuable opportunity to meet with your child's teacher, discuss how they have settled into their new class, celebrate their successes, and gain an insight into their learning so far this year. It is also a chance for us to work together to support your child's continued progress and answer any questions you may have.

Please ensure you book your slot as explained in the information sent on Monday 21st Sept.

Deadline to book is 10pm on 1st Oct

A HUGE THANK YOU!!!



A huge thank you to Mr Thorpe for providing wood chippings for our Reception outdoor area, and to our fantastic parents who helped spread them. The area looks wonderful! Thank you also to the Men in Sheds team for refurbishing our benches, creating a lovely space for our Reception children to learn, play and enjoy. We are incredibly grateful for the time, generosity and community spirit shown. Thank you for helping us make Norris Bank an even better place for our children.

GROW STARS OF THE WEEK!

Reception : Elodie, Cooper & Erin

KS1

Year 1: Arabelle & Ted

Year 2: Micah & Emilie

KS2

Year 3: Katherine & Joshua

Year 4: Eloise & Ayla

Year 5: Norah & Richie

Year 6: Cormac & Miriam

PSHE at Norris Bank

At Norris Bank, our PSHE curriculum supports children to develop the knowledge, skills and confidence they need to thrive in school and beyond.

We see PSHE as a live and responsive curriculum. Alongside planned learning, teaching is adapted to reflect current issues and the needs of our children and wider school community, ensuring learning remains relevant, meaningful and supportive.

Our curriculum provides clear progression across the school and explores key areas including relationships, health and wellbeing, online safety, friendships and keeping safe. Children are given regular opportunities to talk, ask questions and develop the skills needed to make positive and informed choices.

Working in partnership with our families is important to us. Our updated PSHE and RSHE curriculum information is available on the Norris Bank website, where you can find out more about our approach and what children will learn.

[Visit our PSHE & RSHE curriculum page](#)

If you have any questions or would like to share your thoughts, please get in touch. We always value your feedback and support.

Reception Admissions 2027

We may still be welcoming our new Reception pupils into the Norris Bank family but applications for Reception places for September 2027 are now open. To apply, please visit the Stockport School Admissions website:

<https://www.stockport.gov.uk/topic/nursery-and-school-admissions>

We are holding school tours, led by Mrs Ponsen Head of school, on:

Friday 2nd October

Wednesday 14th October

Thursday 5th November

To book a place on a tour, please contact the school office. We look forward to welcoming prospective families to Norris Bank Primary School.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

[For a full list of dates for the 2026-27 academic year, please see our Annual Planner which can be accessed by clicking on this link.](#)

23rd Sept	Year R Phonics workshop (details will be sent out)
1st Oct	Black History Month
2nd Oct	Open day for Reception intake Sept '27
5th Oct	Parent Teacher Meetings
6th Oct	Year 6 Screening
7th Oct	Parent Teacher Meetings
14th Oct	Open day for Reception intake Sept '27
16th Oct	Harvest Fair after school
19th Oct	Individual photos
20th Oct	PTA Halloween Discos
23rd Oct	Last day before we close
W/B 26th Oct	School closed for Half Term

