



NORTON COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Dear Parent and Carer

Hope you enjoyed half term and Halloween. Bonfire night is coming up, to help increase their awareness KS2 watched a Bonfire/Fireworks presentation earlier this week, delivered by members of North Yorkshire Fire Brigade.

Open session at Langton Road – the new school site will be open this Saturday 4th November between 10am and 11.30am. This is an opportunity for members of the community to have a look around. Please mention to family members who may be interested.

Cemetery – may I again ask you to consider how you are using the footpaths. I appreciate that this is a short cut across to Langton Road but it is also a sacred place and should be treated with respect! The children were all spoken to about this earlier in the term and I understand that most children are observing the rules of no cycling or scooting. The cemetery caretaker has complained again about the fact that it is being used like a race track by children on scooters and that some children and parents are continuing to ride through on bikes. This does not set a good example! Please, if you don't have time to walk and push your bike/scooter, go the longer way around. Should there continue to be complaints about how we are using the cemetery the Town Council have made it very clear that they will withdraw our permission to use this access. This will penalise the whole school as we will not be able to take the short cut across the field.

Cigarette butts – we cannot stop parents smoking outside the school boundary but those of you who do should consider others. A Grove Street resident has complained that butts are being dropped on the ground outside her property. We have provided cigarette collection boxes outside the gates, please use them!

Adults picking up children – where possible, please ensure you tell your child's class teacher in a **morning** when you drop off if a different adult is picking up at the end of the school day.

Remembrance day – 11th November. We will observe a silence at 11am. Poppies and other items will be on sale each day at lunch time from Monday 6th November. There is no recommended donation for a traditional poppy however there are other items available. The suggested donations are : wristband or reflective poppy – 50p each. Bracelets and snap bands are £1 each and a poppy pin is £2.50. If you would like your child to contribute please send them with money during this week. These will be available on each site.

Children in Need - we will be fundraising on Friday 17th November. The children may dress with a spotty theme, or just wear non uniform in exchange for a £1 donation. This is not compulsory, children may wear uniform as normal. We will also be selling Pudsey pin badges from Monday 13th November. These will be available on both sites at a cost of £1 each.

Parent's Open Afternoons – the one held at Langton Road on Friday was a huge success, thank you to those parents who attended. The next one will be at Grove Street for parents of Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 on Friday 9th February from 1.30pm. We will be alternating sites, watch out for the dates on the Calendar of Events each term.

AED / Automated External Defibrillator – we now have a machine on both sites. Grove Street's is located outside the Office and Langton Road's is in reception.

Thanks
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