

# Reminders and Notices:

**Collecting children** ~ To ensure your child's safety; we kindly ask that once you have collected your child at the end of the school day you cannot return to the classroom until your child's class teacher has sent their class out. Children will therefore have to wait to collect forgotten items. As you can appreciate it's important for us to know who is inside the school building at all times.

**Junk Modelling** ~ We would be very grateful if you could save and bring into school things that we can use. Items such as clean yoghurt pots, cardboard tubes (not toilet rolls) and flattened cereal boxes are of great use for children to create models. We also need old or unwanted birthday or thank you cards in the writing area.

**Boots and Coats** ~ Please can you ensure your child has a coat and wellies/boots for outside play. All children access the outdoor areas every session, so it is important they are appropriately dressed. We have a welly shelf if you would like to keep a pair of wellies in school.

Please make sure all items of clothing/footwear are named.

**PE** ~ **After Christmas** the children will need a full PE kit. This should include a white t-shirt, navy/black shorts, socks and pumps. The children are currently learning how to remove their shoes, socks and jumpers. If you already have some pumps or want to send their PE kit in to school, please do! Please make sure all items of clothing/footwear/bags are clearly named.

**Reading** ~ There will be a morning Phonics and reading parent meeting this term. This meeting will go through how we teach phonics and reading at Norton School and how you can help your child at home with their Communication, Language and Literacy. The date for the meeting is listed below in 'dates for your diary'.

Following on from the workshop we will then be sending resources home in order for you to practise reading, phonics and rainbow words with your child. Please make sure all individual reading books, phonics and rainbow words folders are kept in school bags and sent into school everyday.

*Please do not hesitate to pop in and see us at the beginning or end of a session if you have any worries or concerns about your child.*

## Dates for your diary-

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September-** First days in FS2 stories sent home.

Please share with your child to support them talk about their time in school so far. Then please fill out the parent comments section and return to school asap or by **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**Phonics & Reading Parent Meeting** ~ Tuesday 9th October

It begins at 9am in the New Hall and will introduce how we teach reading, writing and phonics at Norton.

There will also be a Christmas Crafts Open Day in December where there will be lots of fun things to make and do! Look out for more details after half term!

**Norton C P  
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**Autumn Term 1 2018**

**Me and My World**

## Welcome to FS2!

Thank you to everyone for cooperating during the first few busy mornings.

We are so proud of all the children and the way they have settled into FS2 and we are very excited about getting into our new classrooms.

**This term the children will be focusing on:**

### Personal Social and Emotional development:

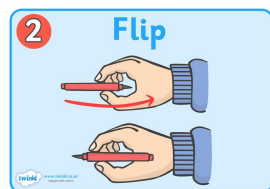
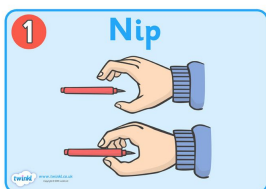
- Building self-confidence, self-esteem and independence
- New beginnings (including rules, routines & making new friends)

### Communication and Language:

- Following instructions
- Speaking and listening during whole class and small group teaching times - starting with sharing our holiday memory bags!

### Physical development:

- Lots of action games to support children with their listening skills
- Using a wide range of tools and mark making resources to support fine motor skills
- We will also introduce our 'nip, flip and grip' strategy for holding writing tools. Ask them about it in the next few weeks!



### Mathematics:

- Number rhymes & reciting and using number names to 20
- Counting objects carefully
- Investigating 2D shapes
- Time - daily routines at home and at school

### Literacy and Phonics:

- Stories about sharing, taking turns and feelings, as well as telling our class bears all about ourselves!
- Recognising our own names and forming the letters of our name
- Beginning to hear the sounds in words, blending and segmenting them using Fred Talk

### Expressive Arts and Design:

- Portraits
- Imaginative play - exploring different roles
- Nursery rhymes, musical instruments and dance
- Exploring a range of media and materials

### Understanding the World

- Families
- Ourselves - how we are special
- People who help us in the community

### Wow Moments:

It is also great to hear about any news or special occasions that have happened over the weekend or any milestones children may have achieved at home. Please fill out Wow moments for your child to share with their class and teacher.

