



# NORBRECK PRIMARY ACADEMY

# Newsletter

ISSUE 01

6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents and Children,

## Welcome Back

Welcome back to school. We are delighted to welcome all our children back to school including our new starters in Reception and elsewhere in the school. All the children look so smart and are eager to learn. In view of the unpredictable weather, children are allowed to wear both summer or winter uniform until October half term when we change to winter uniform only. We look forward to a fantastic school year ahead.

We welcome to school some new staff too: Miss Bates, 4B class teacher, Mrs Smith 2S class teacher, Miss Taylor school office and Miss Fagioli our new learning mentor.

We would also like to welcome Mrs. Nicholson and Mrs Maddern back to school.

## Starts and Ends of the School Day Reminders

<b>Year Group</b>	<b>Start time</b>	<b>Entrance</b>	<b>Finish Time</b>	<b>Exit</b>
<b>Reception</b>	8:50-9:00am	Reception Steps	3:05pm	Reception Steps
<b>Year 1</b>	8:50-9:00am	KS1 Fire Door	3:10pm	Small Playground
<b>Year 2</b>	8:50-9:00am	KS1 Fire Door	3:10pm	Large Playground
<b>Year 3</b>	8:50-9:00am	KS2 Doors	3:10pm	MUGA
<b>Year 4</b>	8:50-9:00am	KS2 Doors	3:15pm	Playground by Y6 classrooms
<b>Year 5</b>	8:50-9:00am	KS2 Doors	3:15pm	Playground by Y6 classrooms
<b>Year 6</b>	8:50-9:00am	KS2 Doors	3:15pm	KS2 Doors

## Meet the Teacher

Thank you for the interest shown in the Meet the Teacher events. We hope you have found them informative. Y6, Y3 and Reception will take place next week at 3.30 p.m.as follows:

**Y3 - Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024**  
**Y6 - Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024**  
**Reception - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

## Reception Classes ParentPay Information

Details of our e-payment system together with log-in information has been issued to Reception Parents this week. As the ParentPay website is accessible 24/7 please activate your account **by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024**. Any queries please call the school office.

## Rec - Y6 Free School Meals Reminder

If you have not already done so and you think your child may be entitled to free school meals, if you are in receipt of a qualifying benefit **\*\*** (this is totally separate to the Universal Infant Free School Meals Initiative), then please complete the ESS form on the app - from the homepage/content/free school meals as soon as possible. This information is required for the October School Census. Thank you.

**\*\***Qualifying benefits are: *Universal Credit, Income Support, Income-based Jobseekers Allowance, Income-related Employment and Support Allowance, Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit, Child Tax Credit (household gross income no more than £16190 p.a.) providing you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit or Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.*

### **Blackpool Gazette Reception School Starter Supplement**

On **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024**, a photographer on behalf of the Blackpool Gazette newspaper will be in school to take Reception class photos. Please send your child to school in **full winter uniform**. When the Gazette advises the school of the publication date we will inform parents so that you are able to purchase a copy.



### **Rag Bag**

Please send any rag bag donations into school on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024**. Many thanks for your support.

<b><u>Rag Bag Acceptable Items</u></b>	<b><u>Rag Bag Unacceptable Items</u></b>
All men's, ladies and children's clothing Paired shoes (tied together)	Duvets both synthetic and feathered
Handbags, bags, ties & belts	Carpets, Rugs
Soft Toys	Soiled or wet clothing
Blankets	Bric-a-brac, books, videos/DVDS etc.
Underwear to include socks, tights, pants and bras etc...	Household textiles to include towels, bed linen, curtains etc...

### **Open Evening/Tours of the School**

We are pleased to announce that we are holding an **Open Evening on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024** for parents of children who are due to start school next September. If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021, you are welcome to attend either of the two session times: 4 p.m. or 6 p.m. There is no need to book, please just turn up. There will be a talk in the main hall followed by tours of the school so you can see us in action!

If you are unable to attend the Open Evening, we will also be running tours of the school for small groups of parents on the following dates all at 9.50 a.m.

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024**  
**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024**  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024**  
**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024**  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024**  
**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

Places on the day-time tours are limited, so if you would like to book a place on one of these, please either telephone: 01253 852219 or email: [admin@norbreck.blackpool.sch.uk](mailto:admin@norbreck.blackpool.sch.uk).

Applications for school places should be made to your local council using their on-line application system before the closing date of **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025**. If you live within the Blackpool Council boundary, please visit [www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions) or visit [www.lancashire.gov.uk](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk) for Wyre Council addresses.

### **Annual Flu Vaccinations (Nasal Spray) 2024**

We have been advised by the School Vaccination Team that the whole school will be vaccinated at school against flu on the morning of **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024** and they have confirmed the following information and their procedures:

*This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by*

preventing the spread of flu. There may be a rebound in flu levels this coming winter following low levels in the past 2 years as a result of COVID-19 restrictions. The vaccination is free and is a quick, simple, painless spray up the nose.

Please use the following link or cut and paste into your search engine to access the online consent form: [www.bthimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu](http://www.bthimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu) quoting our school code **BP138739**. **The online consent form needs to be completed for both consent /no consent giving reasons as soon as possible.**

Please inform the School Vaccination Team (**Not School**) of the following on Blackpool, Wyre & Fylde: 01253 951984.

- If your child has steroid tablets prescribed two weeks prior to vaccination.
- If in the few days prior to vaccination your child has been wheezy.
- If after consenting you then take your child to your GP surgery to receive their vaccination.

**It is parent's responsibility to contact the school vaccination team to ensure they do not receive the immunisation again.**

A leaflet explaining the vaccination programme can be accessed by clicking the following link: [Flu vaccination for children](#).

### **Asda Rewards Cashpot for Schools**

Norbreck is taking part in the Asda Cashpot for Schools campaign. Next time you are shopping online or instore, please use your Asda Rewards app to select Norbreck Primary Academy. Asda will then donate a percentage of your shop to Norbreck. It's easy to set up and your own personal Asda Cashpot will not be affected.

The campaign is running now until 30th November 2024. Thank you for supporting Norbreck whilst you shop.

### **Website. Exciting News:**

We are thrilled to announce a new and updated version of our school website is coming soon. The new website was due to be launched for the start of the new school year, unfortunately due to technical problem this has not been possible. We are hoping it will be ready to launch next week and we will inform you when we go live.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. I Cooper,  
Headteacher.

#### **Safeguarding Note:**

Safeguarding is the action that is taken to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm.

The Designated Safeguarding Lead at Norbreck Primary Academy is Mr. Cooper (Headteacher). Additional Safeguarding Leads are: Mrs Cadwallader (Deputy Headteacher), Mrs Monks (Assistant Headteacher), Mrs. Hamer (Family Support Worker) and Mrs. Fagiloi (Learning Mentor). Information can be found via the app – from the homepage/content/safeguarding tab which links to the school website.