

Dear Parents and Children,

Attendance

WEEK ENDED: 13 th March 2026		
Best FS / KS1 Class Attendance	RB	100%
Best KS2 Class Attendance	3W	99.3%
Most Punctual FS / KS1 Class	RY & 1T & 2M	0 late arrivals
Most Punctual KS2 Class	3LF & 3JF & 4S & 5S	0 late arrivals
Whole School Attendance For The Week		97.5%
Number Of Children Late At Least Once During The Week		19

Well done to RB, RY, 1T, 2M, 3W, 3LF, 3JF, 4S & 5S!



New Age Kurling Competition

On Monday, a group of Year 6 pupils took part in a New Age Kurling competition. The children showcased impressive skill, teamwork and determination. Throughout their matches they demonstrated great respect and excellent sportsmanship. Some throws were truly outstanding, with game-changing throws that would rival those of Team GB!

Although they didn't make it through the next round, they should all be very proud of the way they represented themselves and Norbreck!

Comic Relief - The Great Red Nose Hunt

We've had a fantastic day in school today, all dressed in red to show our support for Comic Relief. A huge thank you to our School Councillors for their brilliant idea of organising a treasure hunt around the school grounds. Children searched high and low for missing Red Noses, discovering hidden jokes along the way and matching them with their punchlines. It was a fun-filled activity that brought plenty of smiles to our Comic Relief celebrations!

A huge thank you to everyone for your generous donations. We will be announcing the grand total next week!



Staff News

We wish to congratulate Miss Cooper and Mr Oakes on the birth of their baby boy, Luca. Both mum and baby are doing well.

Reminder Parking Outside School

Our neighbours have contacted the school advising that parents are blocking driveways, parking on the grass verge opposite school and parking on double yellow lines whilst dropping children off at school. Please can parents park with care and consideration and show understanding to those living in the vicinity of Norbreck. Thank you.

Easter Service at School

On Wednesday afternoon we were delighted to welcome Rev. Jonny from All Hallows Church, along with his wife Katrina, who led a wonderful Easter service for our school.

The children sang their Easter hymns beautifully, and it was a truly joyful way to celebrate together.

A huge thank you to Rev. Jonny and Katrina for giving their time and helping make the service so special.

Tempest Photography - Class Photographs

Tempest, our photographers, are returning to school on **Wednesday 25th March 2026** to take class photographs which will be available to purchase directly from Tempest. Please ensure your child is wearing full winter uniform for the day as this always looks smarter on photographs.



I Have A Dream Competition

We have some FABULOUS news to share – Travis in Year 6 has been chosen as a winner in the 'I Have A Dream' competition we entered earlier in the year.

Travis' entry was one of 5 winners chosen from over 31,000 entries- so it really is an incredible achievement! Here's what the independent judge Mark Grist had to say about his entry:

Travis - your poem is bold, emotional and deeply moving.

The repetition of "I have a dream" gives your poem strength and rhythm, but it's the images you choose that really stand out. "Teddy bears don't play hide-and-seek in the rubble" is such a striking line - it captures the horror of war through something small and personal. That contrast makes it even more powerful.

You clearly understand the emotional weight of the historical setting, and you don't shy away from it. This is a brave subject to write about, and you handled it with maturity and clarity. Well Done!

Reminder - M&M Theatre Productions – The Jungle Book

A polite reminder that on Thursday 26th March 2026 we will be welcoming M&M Theatre Productions who will be returning to school to perform an adaptation of 'The Jungle Book' for all children.

The combination of M&M's costumes, scenery and special effects enables literature to come to life in front of the children and is a truly magical experience. The show will be filled with fun, laughter, excitement, interaction with the children and great music.



Although the PTFA will be contributing towards the cost of this event, we would very much appreciate a small payment of **£4.00** per child to meet the total amount to ensure all our children benefit from this wonderful experience. The service is live on ParentPay for you to make your payment and we kindly ask that all payments are made by Monday 23rd March 2026.

Blackpool Sings Pop Competition

We are excited to invite Key Stage 2 children to audition for the forthcoming 'Blackpool Sings Pop' competition.

This is an excellent opportunity for Norbreck children to showcase their vocal talents and enjoy the thrill of performing in front of an audience. First auditions will be held at Norbreck on Thursday 16th April 2026 during normal school hours. At this audition, your child will only perform 30 seconds of their song without a backing track. Blackpool has stressed that this new competition is solely a Pop music competition; therefore, songs from Musicals must not be performed.

Following the auditions, a Norbreck Final will take place on the afternoon of Thursday 23rd April 2026. The finalists will perform to a backing track in front of an audience. The top two winning performers will progress further to represent Norbreck in the Blackpool Sings Pop competition.

The Blackpool Sings Pop competition will be held on Tuesday 19th May 2026 at Montgomery Academy. This promises to be an exhilarating evening of entertainment showcasing Blackpool's singing talent.

To audition for the competition, please complete the permission form on Parentapp which will go live on Monday 23rd March 2026.

Celebrations Newsletter

If you would like your child's achievements (certificates and medals etc.) in sports, dance, music or any other activity **outside of school** to be included in the end of term's Celebrations Newsletter, please advise us by completing the Celebrations Newsletter Request Form on the app by Monday 23rd March 2026.

Art Gallery

Well done to Jessica and Cooper in RY who have their Artwork displayed in the Norbreck Art Gallery.



Y6 Leavers' Hoodies

The PTFA have advised us that leavers' hoodies are now available to order online from **£20.00**.

Please follow this link and complete all details [Norbreck Primary Academy Leavers Hoodies 2026 | Springfields](#). **The deadline for all orders is Friday 17th April 2026**. All purchases are due to be distributed late May.

Any queries regarding the hoodies please contact Springfield Printing directly on 01253 751 287



Chocolate Raffle & Non-Uniform Day – Friday 27th March

We are excited to announce that on **Friday 27th March 2026**, school will be holding the first ever **Chocolate Raffle!**

Children are invited to come to school in **non-uniform** in exchange for a **£3.00 contribution**. This includes a strip of **five raffle tickets** per child for our chocolate raffle. If anyone would like to increase their chances of winning, **additional raffle tickets** will be available to buy for **£1 per strip** during the week beginning **Monday 23rd March 2026**. Our Junior Leadership Team will visit classrooms throughout the week to sell extra tickets. The prizes really are something special! Thanks to the generosity of our **PTFA**, they have created **ten enormous chocolate hampers**, ready for ten lucky winners.

The raffle will be drawn on **Friday 27th March 2026**, and all winners will be able to take their delicious hampers home the same day.

Good luck to everyone—and thank you for supporting school.



After-School Clubs Important Update

Due to Parents' Evening our after-school clubs have now finished with the exception for Monday's Development Football club, which will finish as planned on **Monday 23rd March 2026**.

Permission Forms – Important Reminder

Please ensure that all permission forms for school trips and after-school clubs are completed accurately and in full, including **ALL** medical information. This information is essential to help us keep your child safe and to allow staff to plan appropriately for each activity.

If you have any outstanding permission forms and payments, we kindly ask that you complete and submit them at your earliest convenience. Without a completed form, children may not be able to take part in their trip or club.

Y5 Handball Coaching Skills – deadline for consent has passed, **please complete at your earliest opportunity**.

Y4 Fit2Go Festival – deadline for consent and Lunch choice is **Monday 13th April 2026**.

Y4 Trip to Abbeystead Estate – deadline for payment, consent and lunch choice is **Monday 13th April 2026**.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us keep all administrative and safety information up to date.

All Hallows Church Invitation

All Hallows Church are holding a 'Messy Church' event on **Saturday 21st March 2026**.

All families are invited to attend for lots of family fun, crafts, baking, competitions, games and more!



Blackpool Football Club Community Trust (BFCCT) – Easter Holiday Camp

BFCCT will be delivering their upcoming Holiday Camps across Blackpool during the Easter school holidays.

The camps provide a fun, safe, and inclusive environment for children aged 5 years –14 years, with a range of activities including: Football Camp, Girls Football Camp, Dance Camp, Multi-Sports Camp.

Delivered by qualified coaches, the sessions are designed to help young people stay active, build confidence, and make new friends.

Key details include: £13 per day or £45 for 4 days, Ages 5 years –14 years (Girls Football: 7 years –14 years). Held at multiple locations across Blackpool and bookings can be made via the QR code or online



Yours sincerely,

Mr Ian 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 Miss Fagiloi (Learning Mentor). Information can be found via the app – from the homepage/content/safeguarding tab which links to the school website.