

Northam Schools' Federation Newsletter.



FRIDAY 1ST OCTOBER 2021

“TO LEARN EVERY DAY, TO HELP EACH OTHER AND TO BE HAPPY”.

Headteacher Update

Harvest

Your support of our harvest appeal has been greatly appreciated and all food items will be given to the Harbour Charity and distributed to those people living locally most in need of nourishment and support.

Covid-19

As you will all be aware, a relatively small number of pupils within the Federation, have recently contracted Covid-19. This rise in pupil cases is being replicated across many other primary schools both locally and nationally. We will continue to monitor the situation closely and liaise with the Local Authority (LA) when seeking advice and guidance. The measures that we currently have in place at school, aimed at minimising the risk of transmission have been shared, discussed and validated by the LA. The most effective preventative measure is for pupils and staff alike not to attend school should any of the covid-19 symptoms be evident: a high temperature, a new continuous cough and/or a loss of, or change to, the sense of smell or taste. Your continued support in this is greatly appreciated.

New School Website

As you will be aware, over the past few months we have been in the process of constructing the new Northam Schools' Federation website. We are currently at the final stage of proof reading and ensuring that all of the key documentation are in place. The launch date will be announced over the coming days: watch this space!
Have an enjoyable week-end.

Mr. Jim Williams (Executive Headteacher)

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent/Teacher interviews will take place during the week commencing 11th October. The interviews will be conducted by telephone. Following feedback from parents we will not be using the online booking system this time. Letters to book your appointment time have been sent out today and we will continue to investigate alternative online systems. Dates are as follows:

Monday 11th October—Yr 2 & Yr 3

Tuesday 12th October -Yr 1 & Yr 4

Wednesday 13th October—Yr 6

Thursday 14th & Friday 15th October—Yr 5

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thank you for your child's Harvest Festival donation. Members of St.

Margaret's Church will be distributing the donations through the Harbour charity.

MEDICINES IN SCHOOL

Could you please ensure that if your child has an asthma inhaler or any other medicine kept in school that it is in date. Could you please also collect a medicine form from the school offices to ensure that the details we hold are also up to date. Children with medical plans will have already received the existing plan via email to be updated. If you have not received this please let the office know.

ANNUAL CONSENTS

Your child should have brought home a letter with a list of permissions which we need to update on an annual basis. Please return your completed form to either school office. Over the next couple of weeks we will also send out

data collection sheets but in the meantime if you have changed your address or mobile phone number please let the offices know. Many thanks.

COATS

As the weather is now turning wetter and colder could you please ensure that your child has a **named** coat in school everyday.

WESTWARD HO! BAPTIST CHURCH

The Baptist Church are organising drama days during October half term week aimed at year groups 6—9. There will be a £5 charge per day although bursaries are available. Themes include Dynamite Drama Day, School of Rock, Art Attack & WHBC's Got Talent. Email minassist@westwardhobaptist.co.uk for more information and to book a place.

Weekly Collective Worship Theme

Thankfulness

If the only prayer you ever say in your entire life is thank you, it will be enough.

KEY DATES

October Half Term: 25th October 2021– 29th October 2021
End of Autumn Term: 17th December 2021
Spring Term: 4th January 2022 –8th April 2022
February Half Term: 21st February 2022 - 25th February 2022
Non-Pupil Day: 18th February 2022

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