



Hello and welcome back to a new year at Northfield Manor. We have enjoyed a really positive start to the year; children have settled well into their new classes and have been really impressing their teachers. We are really grateful for the support of parents in ensuring that children are attending on time and with the correct uniform.

We have begun the year by focusing on our school values:

Loyalty by **F**ocusing on Family
Tenacity by **I**nsisting on Excellence
Kindness by **D**oing Good as you Go
Courage by **E**mbracing Innovation
Brilliance by **S**eizing Success

and our behaviour: **Ready, Respectful and Safe.**

Both of these are essential, not only to the culture of our school, but also to maximise learning, and children have responded really well to routines and expectations.

We have also had lots of exciting learning happening throughout the school, which hopefully you have seen through class dojo. Clubs have also gotten underway, Year 2 children have been working hard at their swimming lessons and we have even had some exciting workshops in school!

The teachers are not doing too badly either...

Please have a look at some of the other things that have been happening or coming up below.

Kindest regards,
Mr Hull

Reading Inspire Sessions

As you will hopefully be aware from a previous message, we have invited parents into school soon to join us for a Reading Inspire session. The purpose of the session will be to share with you the expectations for pupils reading development in each year group, show you what we do in school and give you some tips for helping at home.

Reading is considered one of the most impactful aspects of learning, so we would really encourage your attendance and look forward to seeing you in school.

Clubs

We are thrilled to have kickstarted clubs again for the year. We have once again got a host of different extra-curricular activities on offer throughout school, ranging from forest school and origami, to tag rugby and drama – too many to list!

Sporting Events-Primary football competition

On 20th September, our football team took part in a tournament at Bournville School. All children involved played really well and showed great sportsmanship. Out of 7 games played, we won 6, which is fantastic! It was also an opportunity to show off our new team kit for the first time. Well done to all involved - we are very proud of you!

Educational Visits

As we get into our learning topics, we have various trips, visits and workshops taking place that will provide children with a range of experiences that will deepen their learning and broaden their aspirations.

We have already had an exciting Ancient Greek workshop in Year 4 (which included battle re-enactments, dressing up as Greek gods) and a brilliant World War 2 workshop for Year 6.

School lunches

Please remember all lunches should be ordered in advance on Parent pay. If you have any problems ordering or using parent pay, please contact the school office on 0121 594 0898 or email enquiry@northfieldmanoracademy.org.uk

Parking

Thank you for your continued support with the parking outside of school. I have been really pleased with the response from parents. The traffic has seemed far calmer which helps to ensure children's safety as a result and makes for a better start and end to the day.

The only cars that are permitted to park on the lines are blue badge holders so please continue with this commitment – even when the weather is not so kind!

Welcome & Congratulations

A warm welcome to Ruth Bennett, who has made a terrific start to life at NMA in Year 4.

A huge congratulation to Miss Shaw who became Mrs Heaven over the summer, and to Mr Brace who also got married.

Dates for Diary

Reading Inspire Sessions:

Reception- Monday 10th October @ 9.00am-10.00am, KS1 hall

Year 1- Tuesday 11th October @ 9.00am-10.00am, KS1 hall

Year 2- Tuesday 11th October @ 9.00am-10.00am, KS2 hall

Year 3- Wednesday 12th October @ 9.00am-10.00am, KS1 hall

Year 4- Wednesday 12th October @ 9.00am-10.00am, KS2 hall

Year 5- Thursday 13th October @ 9.00am-10.00am, KS1 hall

Year 6- Thursday 13th October @ 9.00am-10.00am, KS2 hall

Monday 10th to Friday 21st October- 4AJ swimming

Friday October 7th @ 9.00am - Reception Parent Drop in Session with Becky Brittle –

Monday 10th October – Year 3 out temple visit

Wednesday 12th October- Netball match at Bournville school @ 3.00pm-5.30pm

Monday 17th October- Great fire of London workshop in for year 2

Monday 31st October to Friday 11th November- 4RB swimming