



# Norris Bank Primary School

# THE FRIDAY ISSUE

## Fri 11th Sept 2020 Issue 1

### Welcome back

Welcome to the new school year. We hope that you have had a happy and safe holiday. All children have returned and settled back into school fantastically. A very warm welcome to all our new pupils and their families, we hope that you all settle quickly into school life and enjoy your time here at Norris Bank Primary.

### Year 4 Swimming update

This term Year 4 will begin their statutory swimming lessons. These will take place each Monday morning starting from **14th September** to the end of December. Stockport have undertaken a thorough risk assessment to help support getting the children back swimming. We are aware that the cohort missed their school swimming lessons at the end of year 3, so want to give you and your child as much information as we can. The children will leave school at around 9:20am and travel by coach to Cheadle Swimming Pool. The children need to come with their swimming costume under their uniform to reduce time in the changing room. (Please remember to put underwear in their swimming kit bag) The children change in pairs in the cubicles.

The Swimming teachers employed by Stockport will assess the children during the first lesson. Any children needing floating aids will be given them to support their swimming development. Goggles are not allowed to be worn unless this is to support a medical need.

Earrings must be removed preferably before school. Staff cannot aid the children in removing or putting in earrings. If they are not removed the child will have to stay at school. All children with long hair **MUST** wear a swimming hat. Boys must wear tight fitting shorts not "baggy" board swimming shorts. At the end of the session the children will quickly get changed. The children will exit through the one way system at the pool to board the coach and return to school. Please make sure you provide a healthy snack on a Monday, as once back at school the children will eat their snack in their classroom, and are usually very hungry. If you have an additional question please do not hesitate to contact us. **The Year 4 team.**

### Social Distancing

Please could we remind all parents to be aware of current social distancing guidelines when waiting outside the school gates. Parents should refrain from standing in groups and should remain 2 metres apart where possible. Also, it has come to our attention that parents are posting on Whatsapp groups when children are being tested for Covid even though, currently, all tests are negative. This is causing unnecessary anxiety amongst some of our parents. Could we please ask that you consider what you are about to post and the effect it could have on others. Thank you for your ongoing support in these circumstances.

### Flu Vaccinations

Flu vaccinations will take place on **Monday 19th October**. We were hoping to have in place online e-consent forms, but due to an IT glitch with their NHS system we will have to revert to paper forms on this occasion. Vaccinations are for children in Reception to Year 6.

Consent forms will be sent home with children next week.

### School Crossing

The School Crossing Patrol Team are currently assessing the crossing service, in particular those over the age of 70 and those with underlying health conditions. Our patrol on Green Lane falls into this category, and subsequently there is no patrol on the crossing at present.

We will inform as soon as we know any information as to when the crossing will be manned again, in the meantime please take extra care while crossing.

### Meet the Teacher Presentations

The year group PowerPoint presentations are now available to view via our Website;

<http://norrisbank.stockport.sch.uk/Year-Group-Information/>

### Important Letters

All important letters will now be uploaded to our website, the link is below:

<http://norrisbank.stockport.sch.uk/letters/>

These include all medical, visits and permission letters.



## **Reception children can now access- Branching Out**

Booking for October, including Reception children is now available on the school website.

<http://norrisbank.stockport.sch.uk/branching-out/>

Booking forms must be completed and returned (E-mail below), for children already registered no later than **Thursday 17.09.20 12.00pm.**

[branchingout@norrisbank.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:branchingout@norrisbank.stockport.sch.uk)

Registration documents are also available on the school website in the parents section. This month you will only receive email or verbal confirmation if you are newly registered. Due to the complex nature of the scheduling required to meet the current health and safety regulations, we are unable to make any swaps or refunds across the month. Where possible we will strive to accommodate additions session if the year group numbers permit.

## **PE/Sports Bags**

Due to limited space in classrooms can we ask PE/ Sports bags that are brought in to school are as small as possible. This is because we are unable to use coat pegs currently as they are in corridors. Thank you in advance for your support in this matter.



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Date	Description	Time
11th September	Meet the teacher – Years 1-6 (PowerPoint presentations on the school website)	
1st October	Black History Month	
1st October	G.R.O.W. Day: Autumn Term	
15th October	Mental Health Day	
15th October	School Photos: Individual	
19th October	Flu Vaccinations	
22nd October	School Closes	
23rd October	INSET Day	
2nd November	School Opens	
W/B 9th November	Parents Evening: Autumn Term (format TBC)	
13th November	Children in Need Fundraising Day	
W/B 16th November	Anti-Bullying Week / Road Safety Week	

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