



## A Message from the Headteacher September 2021

Welcome,

On behalf of the staff, Governors and children I am delighted to welcome you to Norris Bank Primary School. Norris Bank is a wonderful school where the whole community works together to provide a happy, inclusive, safe and welcoming environment. We are extremely proud of our friendly school where all staff and Governors work hard to provide the best possible start and outcomes for all of its children. Relationships between the various members of the staff community are excellent; they are based on care and respect. We want all the children to learn the lifelong skills they will need to become responsible citizens, effective learners and make very good progress across all areas of the curriculum.

Central to the work at Norris Bank Primary is the development of social, spiritual and moral awareness where self-esteem and self-knowledge are essential. This is taught through a restorative approach which develops the children to be happier, more productive and co-operative by working with them jointly on how to build, maintain and develop positive relationships. Fundamental to all of this are our GROW values which we focus on continually and develop our circle and PSHCE work from. We expect high standards of behaviour from all of our pupils and encourage good quality learning through an outstanding creative curriculum which inspires them and helps them to develop their love of learning. This was recognised by OFSTED in October 2019.

We believe that learning should be engaging, relevant and most of all FUN! Our curriculum is based on inspirational topics where learning is linked together. Different areas are taught with key learning skills such as thinking, collaboration, and independence. We try to ensure we strike a balance between their social, emotional, creative and physical development with their academic development.

At Norris Bank we firmly believe that working in partnership with parents helps your child to achieve the best that they can. We therefore encourage parents to become as fully involved as possible in the life of the school.

The information in this induction pack is as up to date as we can make it, but there will be occasions when we may need to send you further information as situations and legislation changes.

This induction pack is intended to help you know more about the life and work of Norris Bank Primary School and an insight into the high quality education which we provide.

Yours sincerely

**Mrs Elena Ponsen**  
**Headteacher**

