



The Federation of North Walsham  
Junior, Infant School and Nursery

# Newsletter

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Don't Miss...

## Parent Info Meetings with the teachers

**7<sup>th</sup> Sept-** 2.30pm Year 1  
Parents' information meeting in Hall (NWIS)/  
3.15pm Year 3 Parents' Information meeting in Hall (NWJS)

**8<sup>th</sup> Sept-** 2.30pm Year 2  
Parents' information meeting in Hall (NWIS)

**8<sup>th</sup> Sept-** 3.15pm Year 4  
Parents' information meeting in Hall (NWJS)

**11<sup>th</sup> Sept-** 3.15pm Year 5  
Parents' Information meeting in Hall (NWJS)

**12<sup>th</sup> Sept-** 9.30am Reception Group 1 session Parents' meeting in the Hall (NWIS)/1.30pm Reception Group 2 session Parents' meeting in the Hall (NWIS)

**12<sup>th</sup> Sept-** 3.15pm Year 6  
Parents' Information meeting in Hall (NWJS)

**Families (primary-age children + supervising adults) are welcome to stay and play until 5pm on any school day.** You are welcome to use the toilet in the new Hub building, but please do not allow children unsupervised access.

Welcome back to school everybody. It is lovely to see all the children. We hope they enjoy their return to school (and new starters settle quickly). I hope your summer break was good and that the children (and you!) are ready for the new term and the great experiences ahead. We are glad to be back! All the teachers are looking forward to welcoming their new classes and getting settled in to the class and school routines.

## School Uniform

From this September the school uniform is red and grey for both schools. Last year was the changeover year where blue sweatshirts/jumpers for NWJS and maroon jumper/sweatshirts for NWIS were still allowed. Children can wear the red sweatshirts or cardigans (YR-Y4) and the red jumpers/cardigans with a white shirt and school tie in Y5 and Y6. School trousers, skirts, pinafores or tailored shorts should be grey not black. We have had so many comments about how smart our children look in their new uniform which makes everyone feel so proud.

## The ability to read well is the key to all learning!

Well done to the children who took part in the Summer Reading Challenge at the library. I hope they enjoyed reading the books and achieved the challenge of finding 6 to enjoy. Remember that completion of the challenge means that your child can also earn 6 credits in their Children's University passport. Please send their Summer Reading Challenge certificate and CU Passport into their class teacher for signing.

## Mid-Morning Break

Every child gets a morning break and has the chance to have a drink of water and a fruit/veg snack. At the Infants, these snacks are provided free and at the Juniors they can be bought from the kitchen for a small charge (25p) or you can send in some from home. **Please only send fruit/veg for their snack and no other food.** Children must save any cereal bars or similar snacks from lunchboxes, for lunchtimes only. *Please provide a water bottle for your child too.*

**Morning Arrangements: Please make sure your child is here on time ready to start lessons. Good habits start early!** Staff open the doors 10 minutes before the official school start time of 8.45am for NWJS and 8.55am for NWIS. *Registration* is a legal process and must be done accurately- if your child is late for school then they will need to be signed in at the office before they can come into school as the doors will close promptly and unfortunately this might delay them even further. We hope you understand that developing a good habit for punctuality starts early in life. We know younger children may need more time to settle first thing, so we can make allowances for this. Please speak to your child's teacher if you need some extra ideas. Infant parents for Year R are welcome to come in with their children but please be aware this makes the corridors and classrooms very congested for a short period. *Buggies/pushchairs should be left outdoors.*

## Diary

**19th Sept-** Yr 3 Cromer Museum Trip  
**20th Sept-** 3J Swimming/6pm Governors mtg  
**21<sup>st</sup>/22nd Sept-** Yr 3 Cromer Museum Trip  
**22nd Sept** – 9am Friends AGM  
**25th Sept-** Spelling Bee  
**25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> Sept** – The Book People Book Fair  
**27th Sept-** 3J Swimming  
**28th Sept** – 1-3pm Parenting Course – The Hub  
**29th Sept-** Cross Country Gresham’s School  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Oct-6<sup>th</sup> Oct-** Beat the Clock Week (arrive on time and get a reward!)  
**4<sup>th</sup> Oct-** 3J Swimming  
**5<sup>th</sup> Oct** – 1-3pm Parenting Course – The Hub  
**9th Oct-13<sup>th</sup> October-** KS2 International Week  
**10th Oct-** Yr 3 Maths Café 9am  
**11th Oct-** Swimming 3J/Yr4 Maths Café 9am  
**12<sup>th</sup> Oct-** Reception Open Morning/Yr 5 Maths Café 11am  
**13<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Yr 6 Maths Café 11am/NWIS Disco 5.30pm NWIS Hall  
**16<sup>th</sup> Oct** –NWIS Flu Vaccinations/Yr 1 Maths Café 9am  
**17<sup>th</sup> Oct** – EYFS Harvest Assembly 9.15am (Parents welcome)/ KS2 Harvest Assembly (Yr5 and Yr6 performing) 2.15pm(Parents welcome)  
**18<sup>th</sup> Oct-** Swimming 3J/ Yr 2 Maths Café 9.15am/KS1 Harvest Assembly 2.30pm (Parents Welcome)  
**19<sup>th</sup> Oct-** Friends Mufti Day (£1 donation or tombola/raffle prize)  
**20<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Friends bingo at Gimingham  
**20<sup>th</sup> October-27<sup>th</sup> October Half Term**  
**30<sup>th</sup> Oct-** Schools re-open –Pupil Mentoring sessions with teachers (KS1&KS2)  
**1<sup>st</sup> Nov-**Swimming 3J  
**7<sup>th</sup> /8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> Nov-** Parent Teacher Meetings all year groups  
**8<sup>th</sup> Nov-** Swimming 3J/Yr 3&4 Flu vaccinations  
**15<sup>th</sup> Nov-** Swimming 3J  
**17<sup>th</sup> Nov-** Children in Need Day/NWJS Disco 6pm  
**20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> Nov-** Anti-Bullying Week  
**24<sup>th</sup> Nov-** Parent Forum 1.30pm  
**27<sup>th</sup> Nov-1<sup>st</sup> December** - Beat the Clock Week (arrive on time and get a reward!)  
**29<sup>th</sup> Nov-** Swimming 3J  
**8<sup>th</sup> Dec-** PTA Christmas Fair  
**13<sup>th</sup> Dec-** Christmas lunch/ Christmas Jumper Day(£1 donation for Save the Children Fund)  
**15<sup>th</sup> Dec-** EYFS/KS1 Nativity/ KS2 Carol Concert  
**19<sup>th</sup> Dec-** EYFS/KS1 Christmas Parties/ KS2 Cube Afternoon  
**19<sup>th</sup> Dec** Last day of Autumn Term

## Link Worker: Debbie Bedford

Debbie is our Federation Link Worker and can be contacted via the school office. Parents are welcome to speak to her in confidence regarding any issue affecting their child’s education or for other family-related matters.

**You can also email her directly: [dbedford2urp@nsix.org.uk](mailto:dbedford2urp@nsix.org.uk)**

She is very experienced in this work and is very approachable! You’ll see her about the school, especially at drop off and collection times. Please say hello. I know she’s also looking forward to meeting our new parents and children.

## Head Lice Policy

Parents are respectfully reminded to thoroughly check their child’s hair regularly. Treatment should be done out of school and therefore children should not need to take time off school unnecessarily. Staff will tell parents if they notice that a child has lice and parents *must* deal with them immediately that day, to stop other children being affected. This is only an effective policy if everyone follows it and it is a parental responsibility to keep head lice in check. There is no nit nurse! Speak to staff if you need help or ideas and we’ll try our best to recommend something useful.

## Current email address and contact number/s for parents

*We now use emails and a text message service to send letters and texts to parents so please make sure we have a current **mobile contact number/email address** for you. In cases of emergency such as injury or sickness, **we must be able to make contact with you or your alternative contact by phone- either landline or mobile-** so help us to keep our records up to date with any changes in your phone numbers please.*  
**Update forms available from the school office.**

## Scooters and Bikes- wheel them don’t ride them!

Reminder: please ensure children do not ride these when on the school site- we are so busy with people everywhere at the start and end of school, it may cause an accident if children are whizzing about all over the place. Thank you!

## Outdoor PE, Play & Learning sessions

The children enjoy their outdoor time so we try to take them outside whatever the weather. They need warm clothing on colder days so please make sure they have jogging bottoms, trainers and *a pair of spare socks* in their PE bag too, in case theirs get wet.

**PLEASE NOTE: THE WHOLE SITE IS NO SMOKING & NO VAPING.**