



NEWSLETTER

16th September 2016



WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to a new school year, we hope you've all had a fantastic summer. We welcome and encourage parent involvement in school, so please join us, give your support and enjoy all the great things that's planned for your family and our community for 2016/17.

If you have any questions or comments Mr Matthews or Mrs Chaffey would love to meet with you so please do pop into school, their door is always open.

HARVEST FESTIVAL ASSEMBLY



We will be holding our Harvest Festival assembly on **Tuesday 20th September at 10:30am.**

All parents/carers are invited to join us in the main hall to celebrate harvest. We are asking for food donations which will be given to local charities. Tinned/packet items can be brought in and given to your child's class teacher as soon as possible. Fresh fruit/vegetables can be brought in on Tuesday 20th. We hope you can join us.

BREAKFAST CLUB REMINDER

A reminder that **Breakfast Club starts at 8am.** Please do not arrive on site before 7:50am and parents/carers should stay to supervise their child until the doors open at 8am. The school cannot be held responsible for children's safety before breakfast club opens.

CHILDREN STARTING SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2017

You can apply now for Reception places for children starting school in September 2017.

Children born between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013 can start school in September 2017. The **deadline for the submission of applications** to North Somerset School Admissions **is 23:59 on 15th January 2017.** If you have access to the internet you can apply online at <http://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/Education> and follow the link to the admissions page. Alternatively, the school office will be receiving application forms shortly and will be happy to answer any questions you may have about the forms. We can also post them off for you.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

If you have children in **Year 6** you will shortly receive a letter from School Admissions advising you how to apply for a **secondary school** place of your choice. **The deadline for secondary school applications is 23:59 on 31st October 2016.**

Further information is available from School Admissions online or by telephoning 01275 884 078.

START/FINISH TIMES

Please do the best for your child and make sure, if they are fit for school, they are **in school and on time.**

The playground gates open at 8.40am, classrooms open at 8.50am for registration and at 9.00am registration closes. Any child arriving after 9.00am will be marked as late which is an unauthorised absence.

School opens at 8.40am
Classrooms open at 8.50am
Registration closes at 9.00am



NO HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME PLEASE

Headteachers are not permitted to authorise leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application and evidence to validate the request. The expectation is that term time holidays should not be planned or booked as they are likely to be unauthorised and could lead to the **Local Authority issuing a penalty fine.**



FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Under the Governments Universal Free School Meals scheme, **every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive a free school dinner.**

Children in other year groups may also be eligible for free school meals if your household is receiving certain welfare benefits. To find out more, please contact North Somerset Council on 01275 884 078 or pop into the school office for an application form.

PLEASE NOTE: Registering for free school meals could raise an extra £1,300 for your child's school, to fund valuable support like extra tuition, additional teaching staff or after school activities. It is therefore important to **sign up for free school meals, even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2**, so that your child receives as much funding as possible. Forms have been sent home so please do take the time to complete them.



ME AND MINE

New Courses

Starting Sept 2016

Quality Family Time Enjoying Fun Activities

Thursdays 3.30-5.00pm

Call Carly at XTND on 01934 427134

For more Information or to BOOK Your Family's Place



We need your vote!!



Our wildlife project has been shortlisted for a public vote in Tesco's #BagsofHelp initiative. When you shop in store you will receive a voting token, **please vote for us so we can get the funding we need to improve our wildlife area.**

The current area is overgrown, has no disabled access, has no flora or fauna, no all weather space or storage and wildlife are not really attracted to the area. We have grand plans that include improving all of the current issues and eliminate barriers to access and to wildlife. We also want to develop our link with the "Growing Together" project, run by the local community and Alliance Homes and involve other local conservation groups. **Thank you for your support!**

www.tesco.com/bagsofhelp




Call XTND ON 01934 427134 for more information

Social Networking Cookery Group for Parents

Learn to cook Healthy Meals from Scratch

Every Tuesday 9.00-10.30am

ROLL OF HONOUR

Class Certificates

- 1a Max and Mahiya
- 1b Justus
- 2a Honey
- 2b Emma and Ellie-Mai
- 3b Lauren and Cody
- 4a Chloe and William
- 4b Bethany, Imogen and Jasmine
- 5a Milena and Logan
- 5b Gilbert and Rio
- 6a Callum and Alex
- 6b Natalia and Chloe

Better Learners Certificate

- 1a Mason H and Mason S
- 1b Hiswill
- 2a Seth
- 2b Crystal, Callum, Gabriel, Reece, Kaiden, Ruby and Oscar
- 3b Jakub, Jack, Ethan and Morgan
- 4a Liame, Julia and Lily
- 4b Alesha and Precious
- 5a Charli and Kallie
- 5b Byron and Kayleigh
- 6a Lily Rose and Xander
- 6b Konrad, Leland and Alice

Light Blue
Alfie (2a)

Pink
Emma (1a), Ria (1a), Aaron (1a), Freya (1a)
Lewis (1a), Lillie (1a), Gabriel (1a), Ruby (1a)
Emilia (1a), Esme (1b), Lillie (1b), Ava (1b)

New Family Group
Starting
September 2016



Stitch and Grow

Come along and learn some new sewing and crafting skills, all family members welcome

 **Contact XTND for further details on 01934 427134**

DIARY DATES:

September 2016

- 20th Harvest Festival Assembly 10:30am
- 30th Big Trust Day Out at the Tropicana

October 2016

- 11th Parents Evening
- 12th Parents Evening
- 21st Open Morning
- 21st Last day of Term 1
- 31st Term 2 - **Inset Day** - school closed for staff training
- 31st **Deadline for Secondary School Applications**

November 2016

- 1st Term 2 – Pupils back to school
- 9th School Photographs

December 2016

- 5th Christmas Topic Starts
- 15th Christmas Dinner
- 16th Last day of Term 2

January 2017

- 3rd **Inset Day** - school closed for staff training
- 4th Term 3 - Pupils back to school
- 15th **Deadline** for Reception 2017 Applications
- 23rd Parent Questionnaire out

February 2017

- 7th Parents Evening
- 8th Parents Evening
- 10th Last day of Term 3
- 20th Term 4 - Pupils back to school

March 2017

- 2nd World Book Day

April 2017

- 7th Last day of Term 4
- 24th Term 5 - Pupils back to school

May 2017

- 1st May Day Bank Holiday – school closed
- 8th KS2 SATs Week
- 26th Last day of Term 5

June 2017

- 5th Term 6 - Pupils back to school
- 12th Yr 1 Phonics Screening Tests
- 19th Arts Week
- 29th Sports Day
- 30th **Sports Day** (alternative date if postponed on 29th due to bad weather)

July 2017

- 3rd School Reports out to parents/carers
- 4th Year 6 Transition Day / Move-Up Day
- 12th Parents Evening
- 21st Last day of Term 6 / **Inset Day** - school closed for staff training