



Dear Parents,

Tuesday 4th July 2023

Information Letter 8 – Summer Term 2023

Sports Day

On Wednesday 5th July (tomorrow) our annual sports event will take place throughout the day. Pupils in KS1 will take part in Sports Day in the morning (10-11.45am). The KS2 events will be in the afternoon (1pm-3pm). The weather is looking fine -all parents are also invited to bring a picnic and blanket to enjoy having lunch with their child/ren at midday. Please bring your trainers, as there will be events for the adults, too! All pupils to wear school PE kit please.

Remember to provide a packed lunch for your child if you have not ordered one through Innovate. The PTA will be selling a small selection of refreshments at lunchtime, including ice-creams and ice-lollies.

If you DO NOT intend to be at the picnic but WOULD like you child to buy an ice-cream, please send £1 in a named envelope tomorrow.

Whole School Concert

Our whole school concert is on Thursday 6th July at 1.45pm. The children have been singing their hearts out in readiness and we all look forward to welcoming you. Please be seated by 1.45pm.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings in a named water bottle each day. They are always at hand which is particularly important during the summer months and can be refilled.

We have recently had instances of pupils bringing in PRIME drinks. There are two versions of these drinks. One is a PRIME hydration, the other is a PRIME energy and is not recommended for under 18's. The drinks are popular with children due to being highly promoted on social media. Do not allow your child to bring in either.

Please also refrain from using empty bottles of PRIME to bring in your own plain water.

PTA

A huge thank you to the PTA committee and all the volunteers who have supported them this year. With your generosity they have raised £5252 so far, this academic year. Every penny will be spent on enhancing your child's experience at NJK.

Enrichment Activities

The summer term is always busy and exciting and as well as sports day, picnics, Yr6 French visit and the whole school concert we also have Our Big Bible Day on Friday and litter picking workshops in the last week of term. I'm sure your children will tell you all about them.

Meet the Teacher

After a very successful move up day last Friday, we would like to welcome parents to attend a class information meeting at 2.30pm on Wednesday 19th July.

Your child's new teacher will be on hand to answer any questions you may have about the expectations of that particular year group and curriculum content. Presentations will be loaded onto the school website afterwards.

Uniform

Please ensure all your child's belongings are named, so they can be reunited with their owner, if misplaced.



There are a range of clothing labels on the market and 'Stikins' are currently giving NJK 30% commission on any sales. Enter our fundraising number 14637 at www.stikins.co.uk when you order to ensure any commission is recorded.

Why not get ready for the next academic year? We have a wide range of preloved uniform available in the school lobby, please come and take a look. It will be on display this week at both sports day and the whole school concert.

If you have any uniform you would like to donate please leave with Mrs Cross in the school office.

Staffing

You may have noticed that Mrs. Dean has not been here to greet you at the gate this week.

Mrs Dean is currently taking compassionate leave but looks forward to returning very soon. In the interim Mrs Marshall, Assistant head, is deputising in her absence.

A Fond Farewell

It is with a heavy heart that I announce two of our longest-serving members of the school staff will be retiring at the end of the school year. Both, Mrs Fincher and Mrs Wallbank have worked at NJK for over 20 years. We wish them both a long and happy retirement and thank them for their dedication, professionalism and superb pastoral care over the years.

Breakfast Club

This club will remain unchanged in the new year. It will be accommodated in the school hall, with the same timings and staff. A booking form has been circulated to all this week. The price of breakfast club will remain the same - £4.00 8am or 8.15am drop off, £5.50 7.45am drop off.

Please ensure this form is returned Friday 14th July at the latest if you require Breakfast Club in September.

After School Club

In September, the after-school club will be accommodated in classrooms. There will be an additional member of staff employed on a Monday and Tuesday to cater for the increasing demand for places.

A weekly menu of healthy snacks and meals will be published. The club will finish at the later time of 5.45pm. The fees will be increased to £12 per session. A booking form can be obtained from the school office.

Please ensure this form is returned Friday 7th July at the latest if you require After School Club in September.

Start of Day

The official start of the school day is 9am, please ensure your child/ren arrive promptly. Gates open at 8.45am and close at 9am.

Summer Football Club

Danny Jackman will be offering dates throughout the summer break for our pupils to take part in a holiday club – see details attached.

Nut Allergies

We have several pupils in school now with an identified allergy to nuts, therefore the school will be a 'nut-free' environment. Please do not send your child to school with nuts, nut bars or peanut butter either for lunch or snacks. **Please check that any chocolate spread products also do not contain nuts.** Many thanks in advance for your co-operation and helping to protect our pupils.



Valedictory Service

Our Leavers' Service (Valedictory) will take place on Thursday 20th July. Parents of Year 6 pupils are invited to attend the service which will take place at St James the Great Church, Norton. Younger siblings can be brought to school for 8.45am allowing enough time for parents to drive to the church. Pupils who attend breakfast club will be able to walk to the church with the staff. Please arrive at church around 9am. The service will begin at 9.15am and we will celebrate the pupils' achievements at Norton Juxta Kempsey CE Primary School. Following the service children will walk back to school accompanied by the staff.

Year 6 Leavers' Party and Disco

The parents of our Year 6 Leavers are welcome to come to school to celebrate with their children when they return from church on Thursday 20th July. The pupils will enjoy an afternoon of festivities and a special lunch and will be dismissed at 1.30pm. The staff will then prepare the hall for further celebrations later. The pupils will return at 6pm-7.30pm for a disco and fish and chip supper.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'S Marshall'.

Mrs S Marshall
Assistant Headteacher