



Wednesday 15th February 2023

Dear Parents,

Information Letter 4 – Spring Term 2023

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Changes to the School Day

Recently, the Government published the white paper 'Opportunity for all: strong schools with great teachers for your child'. This document provided details on the expectation that state-funded mainstream schools should deliver a school week of at least 32.5 hours by September 2023. The Governing Body has been working on plans to roll out the longer school day at NJK by this date. It will see our school day starting at 9am with a finish time of 3.30pm. Further information to follow.

iSingPop

In March we welcome iSingPOP to Norton Juxta Kempsey CE Primary School where the children will be involved in a singing and performing project.

iSingPOP is a singing, performing and resourcing project that helps children and families engage in Collective Worship in school, church and at home. They will be learning and performing a number of songs with actions, which support our school values as well as the children's learning in a range of subjects including Music, RE and Citizenship.

For more information about the iSingPOP experience visit: <https://www.isingpop.org>

On **March 23rd 2023** there will be two concerts in St James the Great Church, where we can join together as a community to celebrate the children's achievements. The first concert will begin at 2pm and we will be walking the children to the Church, please collect them as normal at the end of the day. The second concert will begin at 6pm, please ensure you arrive at the Church no later than 5.45pm to ensure a prompt start. Each concert will last under an hour and we look forward to welcoming as many of you as can attend.

Children are to wear school uniform for the first concert and school skirts or trousers with an iSingPOP top or another brightly coloured top for the evening event. iSingPOP clothing and CDs can be purchased in advance of the concert day by logging on to your school's online store at <https://www.isingpop.org/shop> and following the instructions on screen. Make sure you use the unique **NORTON23** when you checkout to receive free postage and packing. This code is only applicable until midnight on **March 16th 2023**. Orders received after this time or without the code will incur postage charges and may not arrive in time for the concert. Orders placed using the code will be sent directly to the school and will arrive in time for the concert. The songs the children will be learning are also available to purchase on the website as a CD or digital download. Please note, iSingPOP is a not-for-profit organisation and any income from sales goes back into the charity.



To order merchandise;

- Visit <https://www.isingpop.org/shop>
- Choose the items you would like and add them to your basket
- Make sure you put in your child's name, class, year and the name of the school
- At the checkout enter your unique coupon code: **NORTON23**
- The deadline for ordering items with guaranteed pre-concert delivery to the school and no p&p is: **March 16th 2023**

The children are sure to have a brilliant time learning the songs and actions and we hope to see as many of you as possible at the concerts on **March 23rd 2023** at what I know will be a wonderful performance.

If you would like any more details about iSingPOP please visit their website www.isingpop.org.

Family Worship and Year 5 Performance

Tomorrow, we have our next Family Worship (Thursday 16th February at 2.15pm). We will be treated to a number of songs performed by our Year 5 pupils at the Young Voices concert last month. Please do come and join us.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'J Dean'.

Mrs J Dean
Headteacher