



Norbriggs Newsletter

A Note from Mr. Tasker

It says that last half term was only 5 weeks, it felt the longest out of all of them so far with what we managed to cram in! It was extremely busy, but also extremely enjoyable for our children.

Our new website is up and running. Here you will be able to find key dates for school on our school calendar, including up-coming INSET days (a copy of this is also at the end of our newsletter). We will be launching the website app this half term and handing out codes for you to register and join. Our website will also have protected areas for your child's classes where we will post updates of their learning. This will replace our Facebook Group, which will be mainly used for updates and queries.

Attendance Expectations

You have a responsibility to inform us if your child will be absent for school. Please telephone the school office to do this.

School gates and classroom doors both open at 8:35am and children are expected to be ready in class for 8:45am. Any child arriving after 8:55am will be marked as **late**. Any child arriving after 9:15 will be marked as **unauthorised**.

Holidays during term time should be avoided in line with government guidelines, these will be classed as **unauthorised absences** and you may receive a **fixed penalty notice**.

If you require support with any attendance issues, we are here to help.

After School Clubs

- **Monday:** Wrap Around: 3:15 – 5:15
- **Tuesday:** Wrap Around: 3:15 – 5:15, Lego: 3:15 – 4:15
- **Wednesday:** Wrap Around: 3:15 – 5:15, Art: 3:15 – 4:15
- **Thursday:** Wrap Around: 3:15 – 5:15
- **Friday:** Wrap Around: 3:15 – 5:15

PE Days

Class	Days
Nursery:	Tuesday
Reception:	Thursday
Year 1:	Monday
Year 2:	Wednesday
Year 3:	Wednesday
Year 4:	Tuesday
Year 5:	Swimming
Year 6:	Friday

Summer Term Dates

April 2026 (14)							May 2026 (15)							June 2026 (22)							July 2026 (17)										
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
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15	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	19	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	24	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	28	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
16	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	25	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	29	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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18	27	28	29	30				22	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	27	29	30						31	27	28	29	30	31		

For a complete overview, please [click here](#)

Uniform Expectations

Please support your children by ensuring they are following the required uniform expectations, including PE Days.

Our uniform at Norbriggs consists of the following:

- Plain black and or grey trousers, shorts or skirt (**knee length**).
- Plain white or burgundy polo shirt (**school logo not required**).
- Burgundy jumper (**school logo not required**).
- Red and white chequered summer dress.
- Flat, black shoes or plain black trainers which fasten securely at the heel (**no sandals, flip-flops, heels or croc-type shoes**).

Pupils should arrive at school wearing their PE kit on PE days. This consists of:

- Plain white T shirt.
- Black shorts or legging (**knee length**).
- Plimsolls or barefoot for indoor sports.
- Sports trainers for outdoor sports (**no Vans, Converse, Croc-type or any other type of fashion footwear - these do not provide the correct support for sports and could cause injury**).
- Tracksuit type kit, dark joggers and hoodies may be worn for outdoor games and colder weather.
- All clothing should be clearly named.
- All jewellery should be removed or earrings covered up.

We use Pinders and School trends as our uniform suppliers. Click the links below.

[Pinders Website](#)

[School Trends Website](#)

Reminders:

- Our building works are set to complete for May 22nd. We will update in due course what the new morning routine will be.
- We are experiencing a dip in uniform standards, including false nails, bracelets, necklaces and footwear. Please remind yourself on our Uniform Policy which can be found on our website. Staff will challenge on this so there is fairness for all, however we understand that sometimes, issues can arise. If this is the case, please let us know so we can work with you.
- Children are not expected to bring in toys, items or 'fidgets' into school. If you believe your children made need additional support with their learning, please contact Mrs Otter, SENDCO, to discuss. These items will be asked to be put away or confiscated to the end of the day. Any broken or lost items are not the responsibility of the school.
- If your contact details have changed, please make school aware.
- Our school car park is for staff or members of the community which has been pre-agreed. Please do not park at the end of the day when picking up.

Wrap Around Care

We have 25 places for Wrap Around Club and Breakfast Club.

Breakfast Club is open to Reception to Year 6, and Wrap Around Club to Year 1 - Year 6.

Breakfast Club will run from **7:45am - 8:35am**. Children will still come to the reception entrance and wait to be let in. The cost of this is a flat rate of **£1**.

Wrap Around Club will run from **3:15pm - 5:15pm**. Children will be collected from the reception entrance by pressing the door bell to be let in. The cost of this is flat rate of **£4**.

Both clubs will be bookable and payable through Arbor. Places **will not** be able to be booked unless your Arbor account as sufficient funds and will be on a first come, first serve basis each week.

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NORBRIGGS PRIMARY

AFTER-SCHOOL FOOTBALL CLUB



MON & THURS
3:15 - 4:15PM
£6.50 per class
Starts January 12th




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Spring & Summer Menu

Norbriggs Primary School

Daily:
Bread, Salad,
Fruit, Yoghurt,
Drinking Water
& Seasonal
Vegetables

CELEBRATING
120 YEARS
OF SCHOOL
MEALS

Week 1		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
13.04.26	The Main Event	Chicken with Curry Sauce Rice & Homemade Flatbread	Big Breakfast: Sausage & Bacon Hash Browns Baked Beans & Tomatoes	Roast Dinner Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Margherita Pizza with Side Salad	Fish Fingers Chips Peas & Carrots
04.05.26	Alternative Choice	Macaroni Cheese & Homemade Bread	Veggie Breakfast: Veggie Sausages Hash Browns Baked Beans & Tomatoes	Roast Quorn Fillet Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	<i>diced Potato Peas Sweetcorn</i>	Veggie Sausage Roll Chips Peas & Carrots
01.06.26						
22.06.26	Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich Meal. Please speak with your school for their selection.				
13.07.26	Dessert	Chocolate Cookie	Flapjack with Fruit	Strawberry Layer Dessert	Sprinkle Cake	Chocolate Pear Slice
07.09.26						
28.09.26						
19.10.26						
Week 2		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
20.04.26	The Main Event	Dippers with a Homemade Sauce & Rice	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Spaghetti & Garlic Bread	Roast Dinner Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Chicken Goujon Wrap Garlic Mayo Dip & Potato Wedges	Battered Fish Fillet Chips & Baked Beans
11.05.26	Alternative Choice	<i>dippers</i>	<i>veggie meatballs</i>	Roasted Quorn Fillet Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Veggie Balls with Tomato Sauce & Pasta	Macaroni Cheese & Homemade Bread
08.06.26		<i>sauce</i>	<i>Pasta</i>			
29.06.26	Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich Meal. Please speak with your school for their selection.				
20.07.26	Dessert	<i>Rice</i>	<i>Pasta</i>	Carrot Cake Muffins	Ice Cream with Fruit	Pinwheel Biscuits
14.09.26						
05.10.26						
Week 3		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27.04.26	The Main Event	Chicken Burger in a Bun & Potato Wedges	Beef Taco Sunshine Rice & Sweetcorn Salsa	Sausages Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Margherita Pizza with a Side Salad	Fish Fingers Chips & Baked Beans
18.05.26	Alternative Choice	Southern Style Burger in a Bun & Potato Wedges	<i>quorn chicken taco</i>	Veggie Sausage with Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	<i>Pizza</i>	Cheese Panini Chips & Baked Beans
15.06.26						
06.07.26	Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich Meal. Please speak with your school for their selection.				
31.08.26	Dessert	Apple Oat Cookie	Lemon Cake with Fruit	Jelly with Fruit	Jam Sponge	Chocolate Cracknel
21.09.26						
12.10.26						



For further information and allergen details please visit: www.schoolmeals.derbyshire.gov.uk

Dates highlighted in bold denote theme day events.

March at Norbriggs

Cricket was a massive success across the school; many students said it was the thing they looked forward to the most every Friday! The children learnt a variety of skills and some have even decided to take up the sport outside of school!

Jungle Jo visited the school and delivered numerous workshops across different classes. Children were able to hold live animals including snakes, tarantulas and numerous creepy crawlies. All the children, and some staff, faced their fears and should be incredibly proud of themselves.

World Book Day saw children and staff dress up as their favourite characters, or in their PJs and do a carousel of activities across school mixed up into different age groups. They finished the week with a Readathon in the hall where parents and children gathered together to read books.

Science week saw classes engage with investigations and experiments linked to their learning.

Readnose Day is always a fun and successful day. Children completed a 'Design a Red Nose' competition in which a child from each class was selected to receive a prize.

Father Ian visited the children again on the final Monday before the Easter Break to remind children what some in the Christian community believe to be the true meaning of Easter.

Our Easter Bonnet Parade was unbelievable; there were some incredible bonnets made and some very hard judging needed to select winners. Some children were selected to go across to the Willows Care Home and show the residents all their hard work.



Online Safety

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

10 Top Tips for Respect Online: A DIGITAL WORLD FOR EVERYONE

Even before lockdowns inflamed the situation, one in every five 10- to 15-year-olds was experiencing bullying online: abusive messages, having rumours spread about them or being excluded from group chats, for example. Through smartphones and tablets, we're used to being able to communicate from anywhere, at any time – but digital devices became commonplace so quickly that it caused a problem: as a society, we haven't properly adjusted to how different they've made life. Our tips can help you to build positive relationships online and avoid some of the potential issues.

WHAT IS NETIQUETTE?

Etiquette is a set of rules to help us interact with others: like a code of respect. People follow this code every day (mostly without even thinking about it) and it can help us decide how to act in certain situations. 'Netiquette' (etiquette on the net – we see what they did there!) is the same, except it's designed to help us interact with others online, which is sometimes a whole different ball game.

1 SEE THE OTHER SIDE

Usually when we're online, we can't see the other person's body language or tone of voice to give us clues about what we can say to them, or how to say it. Try to think what the situation might be like for them, how they're feeling and whether we'd say the same thing if they were actually there with us.

2 HIT THE PAUSE BUTTON

Without a person physically there in front of us, it's easy to send something quickly – before we've really thought about whether it's helpful or kind. Just because we can do things quickly doesn't mean we should; it's better to pause for a second and think it through, instead of simply reacting.

3 MIND YOUR LANGUAGE

People have invented loads of different ways to communicate online (emojis, abbreviations like LOL, TBH and so on). Some of these can be triggering to other people (such as USING CAPS SO IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE SHOUTING!), so it's important to stay aware of the style of language you're using.

4 BE SURE BEFORE YOU POST

On social networks like Instagram or Facebook, vast numbers of people might see what you've posted. So if that's something negative about a person, it can feel hugely painful for them. If you're ever tempted to post something like that, ask yourself "do I really need to go public with this?"

5 PROTECT YOURSELF

Always think very carefully before sharing any personal information with someone else or in a group. Once something's been put online, the sender loses any control over where it goes and who might see it. If you've got any uncertainty at all, it's a good idea to talk to a trusted adult about this first.

6 KINDNESS IS CATCHING

Negative communication can spread rapidly online, but so can being kind and helpful (this happened quite a lot during lockdowns, for instance). A friendly, positive message can make a big difference to someone as well as helping us feel good about ourselves – so share the love!

7 WAITING CAN BE HARD

When we've sent a message or posted something online, waiting for a reply or for someone to respond can make us anxious. It could be helpful to think whether you really have to message or post right now – or if you could wait until a better time when it will cause you less anxiety.

8 THE NET LOVES ATTENTION

Most apps, games and sites use sophisticated technology that's designed to keep us coming back for more. It's important to keep this in mind when you feel the need to reach for your phone, tablet or console – once we understand this fact, it becomes easier to control how we use our digital devices.

9 REPLY WISELY

Sometimes it's tempting to fire back an instant response to a post or message we don't like. How we respond is important, however – whether we reply privately to the person or on a platform where lots of people will see it, for example, makes a big difference to how whoever is receiving the message will deal with it.

10 FORGIVE AND FORGET

Even though we try to avoid them, mistakes can – and do – happen online. They can sometimes feel like a bigger deal than they actually are. It's important to remember that we're all only human, and sometimes we mess up. Learn to forgive others and – just as importantly – to forgive yourself.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Carole Francis-Smith is an experienced counselling psychologist who, through her research, specialises in promoting safe and ethical online communications. She consults with businesses and organisations to support positive and effective communication online, often by considering some of the more hidden aspects of the mediums.



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Online Safety

Uncontrolled Group Chats Are Exposing Pupils to Harmful Content

A Derbyshire School is warning about a dangerous trend on WhatsApp called 'Add Everyone' groups.

These groups encourage users - often children - to add as many contacts as possible, sometimes excluding parents. This creates large, uncontrolled chats where strangers can join.

Why It's a Risk

Groups can include hundreds of members, including unknown adults. Harmful content has been reported: explicit images, violent material, racist language, and requests for personal details. Children as young as nine have been added without consent.

What Parents Should Do

Check your child's WhatsApp groups for names like 'Add Everyone' or similar. Update privacy settings: In WhatsApp, go to Settings > Privacy > Groups and set 'Who can add me' to My Contacts. Block and report any suspicious groups or individuals.

Talk to your child about the risks of joining unknown groups and sharing personal information.

Why Schools Should Act

- Include this warning in newsletters and parent communications.
- Share guidance on adjusting WhatsApp settings.
- Encourage parents to report harmful content to WhatsApp and, if necessary, the police.

If you require any assistance or support, contact school.

April

Wednesday 15th

Cross Country (KS2
Selected Children)

Friday 17th

Y5 PGL Deposits Paid for Y6
Residential

WC: Monday 20th

Assessment Week

Thursday 23rd

Y5 Mathletics

Monday 27th

Springwell to visit Y6

May

Friday 1st

Y3 Egyptian Workshop

Monday 4th

May Day Bank Holiday

WC: Monday 11th

SATs Week

Thursday 14th

Y2 Bolsover Castle

Monday 18th

Class Photos

Friday 22nd

Y5 Jorvik Centre
Break Up for Half Term

June

Monday 1st

Y4 Multiplication Checks

Tuesday 2nd

Y6 Bikeability

WC: Monday 8th

Y1 & Y2 Phonics Screening
Checks

Friday 12th

INSET DAY

Tuesday 30th

Summer Fayre

School Disco!

Friday 27th

Easter Half Term

Monday 29th

EIS Y2 & Y6

July

Wednesday 1st

Y6 Transition

Monday 6th

INSET Day

Tuesday 7th

Sports Week

Tuesday 14th

Y6 Leavers Disco

Wednesday 15th

Y6 Leavers Performance

Thursday 16th

Y3 Hockey

Monday 20th

Y6 Leavers Assembly

Wednesday 22nd

Summer Holidays