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Friday 10th September

Dear Parents

A fantastic start and exciting times ahead...

It is lovely to welcome everyone back into Northbrook Primary Academy this term in their lovely new uniforms. Over the last twelve months lots has been happening in school and we are really looking forward to being able to finally welcome you into school to show you some of the changes that have taken place. We will be having 'Meet the Teacher' sessions soon to allow you to come into school. You will remember last Summer we repainted and re-carpeted all of the main corridors in school which really enhanced the look of school. During the year we have continued to improve the look of school in the corridors and the classrooms to make our environment as inviting as we can. We have lots more planned for the future but these are the next steps for our school.

Roof

Over the Summer holidays work began to completely replace the flat roof on school. This is a large-scale project so this work will be continuing over the next few weeks so the scaffolding will remain in place until this project is finished. Having a new roof will help improve our building for many years to come and we are delighted that we have been able to have this work done before the Winter comes.

Doors and windows

This term we will also be completely replacing all of the doors, windows and blinds in school. This is another big project to undertake and we are anticipating that work will start at the end of September and carry on until the end of this term. We are lucky enough to have a spare classroom in school which means that as each classroom has their windows replaced the children can temporarily move into that room and their learning will not be disrupted during that time. We are really looking forward to seeing the difference this will make to both the inside and the outside of school.

Support from our parents and community

The new roof and the doors and windows are going to make an enormous difference to the look of our school and greatly improve the environment for our children. We are so lucky that this investment has been made into the school.

We were devastated that we have had some damage to the property by intruders. Please can we ask everyone who lives close to school to support us by keeping an eye out for us and reporting any intruders to the police so that we can try to prevent any further damage. We are so keen to improve the outdoor provision at our school and create an inviting and exciting space for our children and your help will be greatly appreciated in this. Thank you.



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Communication

It is really important to us that we continue to improve our communication with you as parents so that together we can support your children during their time at Northbrook. All of the class teachers will be sending out a half term plan for you which tells you what your children will be learning this half term in class so you can support them and we will continue to update you with regular messages via seesaw as well as photographs of what is going on in their class. These will also be added to the website. Our Northbrook Primary website (www.northbrookpa.org) has class pages and Mr Cunniffe will continue to send out newsletters for you each week to keep you updated on what is happening in school each week. It is really important that all parents have access to the school's parent app and Seesaw. If you have issues with either please email enquiries@northbrookpa.org and we will support you.

Friday celebration assemblies

We will be starting to have a celebration assembly every Friday from 17th September. If your child has been selected to win the 'Star of the Week Award' for their class, we will contact you by the Wednesday before the assembly so that if you are able you can join us at the assembly and watch them receive their award. Everyone is welcome to attend the assemblies on a Friday but you will always know if your child has won the award that week. We don't share this with the children so it is a surprise for them but letting you know will hopefully help you plan ahead!

Pastoral team and Loki

Our children's mental health and wellbeing is really important to us and from September we have a new staff member working alongside Mrs Cole in the pastoral team. In addition, we now have a school dog in training to be part of this team in school. Loki is a miniature poodle who is still a young puppy. We will be sending out a letter regarding Loki to you all so we can be clear if there are any children in school who have allergies to dogs or who are scared of dogs and to gain your consent for your child to be with Loki, once he is trained.

Loki will not be in school with the children until we have got all of the consent forms back into school and until we have spoken with the children and ensured they understand how to behave around Loki. Loki will always be accompanied by an adult when he does start to move around school and will always be kept on a lead.

Open days

We will be having open days for parents of children who are due to start school next September on October 14th and November 10th. If you or any friends and family have children who are due to start and wish to attend the open day please contact Mr Trainor in the office 01772 421599 or email enquiries@northbrookpa.org to book onto a session.

We are looking forward to successful year and the many exciting learning opportunities we have planned for our children!

Yours sincerely,

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