



## **Autumn Term Newsletter**

This year, Mr Knowles is the teacher in Year 2 and we also have Miss Hall supporting our learning. Year 2 will also be known as 'Flintoff's', as our inspirational person in Year 2 is Andrew Flintoff, who we will be learning about throughout the year.

Please have a read of this newsletter to find out what we will be doing this term.

### **Reading**

Reading is an essential part of your child's education here at Northbrook and you can continue to support this at home. We expect all children to read at least four times each week and reading records will be collected and checked by Mr Knowles and Miss Hall. Children are still developing their fluency and word reading skills and continuously revisiting and practising reading is the key to progress.

### **Maths**

For our Maths lessons, we follow White Rose Maths. We will be starting the Autumn term with a unit on place value, before moving on to addition and subtraction, then multiplication and division. We will also have a daily arithmetic session, which will focus on following Mastering Number, aims to help children with their recall of number facts and key mathematical information.

### **PE**

Our PE days are on Monday and Thursday and will continue to enhance the children's fundamental movement skills which they have developed throughout their time in EYFS and Year 1.

At the start of each half term, children should bring their PE kits to school and leave them on their pegs. If you want your child to bring their PE kit home on a more regular basis to be washed, please do so but ensure it is sent back into school for their PE days. PE kits will be used on PE days only, and children will change into and out of their kits at school. Please see our uniform policy for details of PE kits.

### **Phonics**

Year 2 will continue to develop their phonetic knowledge following Read, Write Inc. Children will continue this programme through to completion to ensure that they have mastered the necessary phonetic understanding before moving on to Phase 6 Phonics and further comprehension lessons.

Phase 6 Phonics focuses on working on complex sounds, and importantly, spelling rules, prefixes, suffixes, compound words, and past tense forms.

## Curriculum Overview

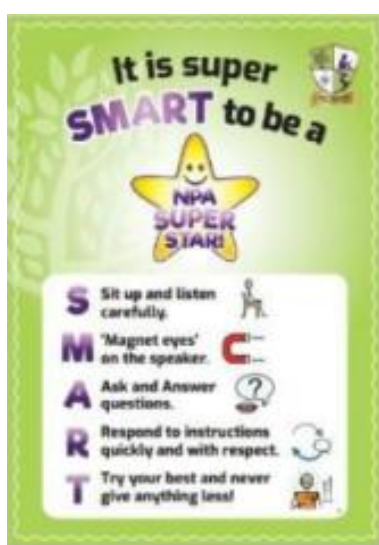
In English we will be using 'The Way Home for Wolf' within our lessons and we will be writing our own narrative and non-fiction text based on this.

In History, we will be learning about the History of Medicine, learning about how medicine has changed over time, vaccines and anti-biotics. In Autumn 2, our Geography learning will be based on the United Kingdom. Our RE learning in Autumn 1 will be based on Christianity and Islam in Autumn 2. In Art, we will focus on Andy Goldsworthy to create our own artwork using natural objects before designing objects to sell in our DT topic.

The partnership between home and school is essential, thank you for your support and if you do have any questions, please ask.



The NPA Way!



Whilst at school, children are expected to be an NPA Superstar! Following our SMART values ensures that every child is ready to learn and is able to reach their full potential.



### Northbrook Primary Academy Timetable 2025 2026

Times	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.45 - 8.55 / 9	Grammar Morning Work	Orange words spelling	Retrieval wider curriculum	Maths (tough 10)	Maths (specific focus)
9.00 - 9.20	Spelling/Phonics	Spelling/Phonics	Spelling/Phonics	Spelling/Phonics	Spelling/Phonics
9.20 - 9.45	Whole Class Reading / Phonics	Whole Class Reading / Phonics	Whole Class Reading / Phonics	Whole Class Reading / Phonics	Whole Class Reading / Phonics
9.45 - 10.45	English	English	English	English	Comprehension
10.45 - 11	Break				
11 - 11.15	Arithmetic	Arithmetic	Arithmetic	Arithmetic	Arithmetic
11.15 - 12.15	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Times tables/ Arithmetic
12.15 - 1.00	Lunch				
1.00 - 3.15	Silent reading (individual books)/ Phonics Blast  PSHE  PE  Whole School Assembly	Class reader/Phonics Blast  Science  Computing  Picture News (Phase 2)	Class reader/Phonics Blast  Music  Art  Singing Assembly	Silent reading (individual books)/ Phonics Blast  Geography/History  PE  Phase 2 PSHE Assembly	Class reader/ Phonics Blast  Forest School  RE  Handwriting  Celebration Assembly

## **Up-coming Dates**

### **September**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> - INSET

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> - INSET

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Children Start

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> - Meet The Teacher - 5pm

WB Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Y6 Baseline Tests

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> - Birthday Lunch

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> - Macmillan Coffee Morning (a letter will be sent out)

### **October**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> - Birthday Lunch

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> - Community Voice

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> - Parent's Evening

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> - INSET WHOLE TRUST

### **November**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Children start back

WB 17<sup>th</sup> - Y6 Test Week

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> - Birthday Lunch

### **December**

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> - Birthday Lunch

Christmas Dates TBC

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> - finish 2.10pm (Infants)/2.15pm (Juniors)

\*Children return to school Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026\*