

Executive Headteacher Mrs C Adams Head of School Mrs C McCrory www.northbrookschool.co.uk

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Dear Parents

It has been lovely to welcome the children back into school this week after the Easter break and to have some lovely sunny weather for us to enjoy being outside at break times as well. Mrs McCrory has been unwell this week and so I have been in school much more than usual and I have loved having the opportunity to see more of the children and spend more time in classes and thank the parents who have taken the time to come and have a chat with me.

Summer Term plans

This week we have discussed as a staff some of the events we might be able to plan for this term now that our restrictions are changing slightly. We are working together now to get something planned for each class. Rather than risk taking the children out on trips this term we are going to ensure each class has a special day in school and also think about how we might be able to do end of term activities and sports days as well. At this stage it is unlikely we will be able to invite parents to our events this year but we hope to be able to allow the children do have more activities to look forward to.

Website

We are really excited to announce that we now have a new website for Northbrook. Northbrookpa.org. On the website you will find information about school and class pages and lots of fabulous photographs of the children enjoying their time in school. We will continue to add information as the term progresses so keep an eye on the class pages.

Staff news

This week we appointed Mrs Andrea Powers who will be the maternity cover when Miss Cookson our reception teacher goes off to have her baby. Mrs Powers will be starting with us on Monday so that she has plenty of time to handover and get to know the school before Miss Cookson leaves us later in the year. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Powers to our staff team.





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Covid Reporting

Please continue to let us know if your child has tested positive for Coronavirus or has been in contact with a positive case regardless of whether you are home learning or in school. Please email: Bursar@northbrook-pri.lancs.sch.uk.

If your child is due to be in school, please stay at home to isolate as per the guidelines and notify school immediately.

Free School Meals (Pupil Premium)

Just a reminder that in addition to all infant children (Reception to Y2) being eligible for Universal Free School Meals, all children from **Nursery to Year 6** may be able to get free school meals if you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit

In addition to your child receiving free school meals, schools receive valuable funding of £1,345 per pupil to help improve progress for children who may need it. You can apply to check your eligibility at any time, as understandably, family circumstances may change, especially in the current uncertain times we are facing.

To apply please click here or speak to the school office if you need any help:

https://lancashire-self.achieveservice.com/service/Free school meals and pupil premium

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Adams

