

Important Dates

17th September: Coffee with the SENCo
25th September 9am: LKS2 Reading with parents
 1st October Times Tables workshop
15th October: Happy School Bag Collection
28th October—1st November: Half term
4th November: INSET DAY
8th November: Fireworks
12th/13th November: Parent consultations
5th November: Well-being week
8th November 2:55pm: LKS2 well-being activities with parents
29th November: Occasional Day
3rd December: Happy School Bag Collection
17th December: KS2 Christmas Lunch
18th December: KS2 Rhodes Panto
19th December: KS2 St Michael's church carol service (pick up from church)
20th December: Term ends 2pm



Trips / Events/ Workshops this term

This term, Class 7 will be swimming every Wednesday afternoon. The last session will be the 5th December. Please collect your child from the swimming pool. Lessons will finish at 3.30pm. Class 8 will be going after Christmas.

9th September: Mad Hatter's Tea Party

1st October: Times tables workshop 3.30pm—4.00pm for years 3 and 4

Drop Off / Pick Up

Children need to be dropped off at 8:45am and picked up at 3:15pm. If you are collecting from the playground, please wait in the netball court.

Autumn Term 2019

Welcome to Year 4

We hope that you have had an enjoyable summer holiday and are ready for the exciting year ahead.

This year, Mrs Gavin will be teaching Class 7 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and Mr Doolan on Thursdays and Fridays. Miss Adams will be teaching Class 8. Mrs Reed and Mrs Morgan will be supporting the children in class.

We are looking forward to meeting you all at
 Meet the Teacher on **Wednesday 11th September at 2:45pm.**



Topic

This term our topic is 'Potions'. The children will be creating their own stories based on the book of Alice in Wonderland. They will also be designing and creating a healthy potion (smoothie) in technology.

In the second half term, our topic will be 'Misty Mountains'. The children will be learning about different mountain ranges throughout the world and locating them on a map. They will also be using wool, ribbon and coloured threads in art to create contour weavings.

PE Kit

Class 7's PE lessons are on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Class 8's PE lessons are on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Each child will need a plain white t-shirt (with or without the Northgate emblem), plain bottle green PE shorts, plain bottle green hoody, plain bottle green joggers and a suitable pair of trainers.

Please ensure that this kit is in school all week and is clearly named, including footwear.

Home Learning

Homework will be uploaded to eschools and a paper copy will come home with your child on a Friday. This will be due in the following Wednesday.

Home tasks will vary between English, Maths and Topic.

Home Learning should be completed in pencil for maths but can be completed in pen for other subjects. Tasks should take about half an hour to finish.

Maths

Your child's Maths lessons this term will focus on a range of topics, including:

- Times tables (2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10 and 11)
- Place Value and rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000
- Mental addition and subtraction
- Formal written methods of addition and subtraction

We would be grateful if you could support your child in learning their times tables at home. Year Four will be completing the new National Times tables test in the summer term.



Reading

In class, we will be reading a range of texts, including Alice in Wonderland which is linked to this term's topics.

All children have a reading record book which they are expected to take home and bring into school daily. Children may use school library books or bring in an age appropriate book from home. Please listen to your child read at least three times per week in order to help them increase their vocabulary and deepen their understanding of the text. If your child has lost or misplaced their reading record, please let us know as soon as possible.