



September Newsletter

WELCOME BACK!

Dear Parents and Carers, Welcome back! Pupils have settled excellently into school on the first day of the term. We are proud of their behaviour and enthusiasm for learning. I am pleased to see so many parents arriving on time for school. This is indeed a good start to the school year.

I look forward to getting to know new children and parents as the year progresses. I always take this opportunity to remind parents that at Suffield Park Infant School we endeavour to work in partnership with parents and carers to achieve the best outcomes for children. Parents and carers frequently tell us that they appreciate the open and approachable nature of the staff. There may be times when you need to discuss a concern about your child with us. Generally, this is best addressed to their teacher in the first instance but if I am in school I will be at the brown gate in the morning and you can usually catch me for a quick word there. Should you need a longer meeting with me or any other member of staff then it is best to make an appointment through the school office. I am looking forward to another happy and successful year for the children!

I would like to remind parents of arrival and dismissal times. School starts at 9:05 am. In the morning, the school classrooms will be open at 8:55 am. Reception parents are allowed to stay until their child has settled into school. In the afternoon pupils should be collected promptly from their classroom at 3:15 pm or at the specified time if they attend school part-time. Children not collected on time will be taken to the after school club in our Nursery.

IMPORTANT REMINDER - HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

The revised education act now states that the discretionary 10 days holidays in term time has been **removed**. Therefore any holidays in term time will be coded as unauthorised.

PARENT'S EVENINGS

These will be held on the 18th and 19th October. This will be an opportunity to discuss how your child has settled into their new class.

PUPIL PREMIUM - WIN A SCOOTER!

Attached to this newsletter is an application form for the pupil premium grant. **Please fill it in (whether you receive benefits or not) and when we receive it back, we will enter your child in our prize draw.**

The amount of money the school receives is based on parents filling in the 'free school meal' form. This money goes towards enhancing school activities; so please help us to help your children.

CONTACT DETAILS

Our 'Teacher2Parent' messaging service is working well and helps to get messages to you quickly and efficiently. If you have changed your mobile 'phone numbers over the summer then please contact the school office.

VOLUNTEER INDUCTION MEETING

Would you be interested in helping in school? We currently have a few parents who come in to listen to children read or help with art and craft activities but would welcome many more - **any** help you could give would be appreciated.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer then please come along to our Induction Meeting arranged for Friday 29th September at 9.10 a.m. The meeting should



not last more than 40 minutes. All volunteer helpers within our school have to be DSB (old CRB) cleared before coming in to help. If you are interested please let us know if you are able to attend the meeting by writing a short note or telephoning the school office.

LATENESS

We understand in our busy lives, that some things don't always go to plan, which may mean your child might be late into school. However, every time your child is late, they will receive a late mark in the register which will appear on their end of year report and will also be included in the school records. Please ensure that you leave home in plenty of time so that your child can be in at school with their classmates and be included in class registration. If you are going to be late it would be useful to ring the school office so that teachers can plan for this. Please do not use our school hall as a shortcut to exit the school.

Our registers are taken promptly at:-

9:05- Morning registration

1:00 - Afternoon registration for YR

1:30 - Afternoon registration for Y1 and Y2

SCHOOL OFFICE

You can email the school office directly at:- office@suffieldpark.norfolk.sch.uk

NUT ALLERGY

We have pupils in our school who have a severe allergy to nuts including: Peanuts, Peanut butter, Pecans, Walnuts, Almonds, Nut oils, Nut flavourings etc. Touching, eating or even being in the vicinity of nuts may provoke a severe allergic reaction. For the safety of all our pupils we are asking parents and carers not to send any food containing nuts for packed lunches or after school club snacks with immediate effect.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

6th September - School opens

12th September - New Reception start Part Time

20th September - New Reception start Full Time

26th September - SEND meeting at Cromer Junior School

Harvest Festival - TBC

Harvest Lunch - TBC

29th September - Volunteer Induction Meeting

11th October - Individual Photos

19th October - Parents Evening (YR, Y1 & Y2) 3:30pm - 7:30pm

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20th October - 27th October **SCHOOL CLOSED**

30th October - **School Re-opens**

3rd November - Fireworks Night

13th November - Children in Need Day Christmas Parties and Lunch TBC

19th December - **School Closes at 3:30**

TERM DATES

September 6th - 19th December, 2017

Half Term Week 20th October - 27th October

January 4th - 28th March, 2018

Half Term Week 12th February - 16th February

April 16th - 24th July, 2018

Half Term Week 28th May - 1st June
School Closed on 7th May

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