



Mulbarton Primary School

'Helping each other to learn and grow'

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NEWSLETTER

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Welcome back to a new school year! Our children have made a fantastic start to term. They have settled into their new routines, met their new teachers and classmates and have started learning about some exciting new topics.

It has been lovely observing the children play so well at lunchtimes and catching up with each other's news.

We would like to warmly welcome all of our children who are new to school this September, from Reception through to year 6 and we look forward to getting to know you all!

We would also like to extend our welcome to Mr Santy, who has joined us to teach Year 3 Kestrel class on Thursdays and Fridays.

RAAC

We have completed an initial site inspection to ascertain the likelihood of there being any RAAC onsite. As the situation currently stands, we are not aware of any. We continue to follow all the guidance issued to schools by NCC and the DfE.

End of the school day

Can we please remind you to use the zebra crossing at the front of the school if you are entering and exiting the site via the main gates. We have explained to the children that they are to walk on the paths and zebra crossing only and not leave school across the car park and main driveways in and out of our site. We have several vehicles entering the site at this time to collect children, as well as staff members leaving work in their cars. It can get quite busy.

Hot weather

As we are still experiencing warm, sunny weather, please ensure your child has a named hat in school every day.

Road Safety

With the nights starting to draw in, it is worth remembering the legal changes made back in January. It can get busy at drop off and pick up times.

- Some of the changes require cars to pass at 1.5m from cyclists.
- Cyclists are encouraged to sit 50cm from the kerb rather than 30cm.
- Cyclists are encouraged to ride side by side as opposed to one behind the other.

The following link provides useful information to the changes.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/the-highway-code-8-changes-you-need-to-know-from-29-january-2022>

Diary dates

| Sep-23 | |
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| Wednesday 6th | Back to school |
| Monday 11th | Year 4 Roman Day |
| Monday 11th | Year 1 parent meeting (LSH 2:45 - 3:15) |
| Tuesday 12th | Year 6 parent meeting (LSH 8:45 - 9:15) |
| Tuesday 12th | Year 3 parent meeting (LSH 2:45 - 3:15) |
| Wednesday 13th | Year 2 parent meeting (LSH 8:45 - 9:15) |
| Wednesday 13th | Year 4 parent meeting (LSH 2:45 - 3:15) |
| Thursday 14th | Year 5 parent meeting (LSH 2:45 - 3:15) |
| Friday 15th | Year 2 WOW Day |
| Friday 15th | Reception parent meeting (phonics) |
| Monday 18th | Year 4 Dentist visit |
| Tuesday 19th | Year 5 trip to Eaton Vale |
| Wednesday 20th | Year 5 Bikeability |
| Thursday 21st | Pupil photos |
| Friday 22nd | Year 5 Bikeability |
| Monday 25th - Tuesday 26th | Year 6 Bikeability |
| Wednesday 27th - Thursday 28th | Year 6 Bikeability |

Attendance

Lots of things can make it difficult to support your children to attend school regularly, and the school and Council want to understand what the biggest challenges are and how we can support your family to overcome them. Take the five-minute survey to share your thoughts at www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance.

Every Day

Counts



Supporting Good

School Attendance

Guidance for Parents / Carers

Good attendance at school is one of the most important factors in ensuring that children and young people have the best opportunities in adult life.

Did you know?



90%
Attendance

for one year = 4 weeks of learning missed, this is called persistent absence.

justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance

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County Council

Research has shown that there is a strong link between levels of attendance at school and levels of achievement. Students with high levels of attendance tend to gain better results in tests and examinations than students with lower attendance levels. Children with good attendance are more than twice as likely to pass their English and Maths GCSEs compared to those who are persistently absent.

How you can help your child have good attendance

- ✓ Get into good routines: start the year right and make attendance a priority, or even better, get into good habits from the start of nursery!
- ✓ Show an interest in school and education; attend parents meetings, concerts and other school events.
- ✓ Talk about school at home: ask your child what they're learning, how their friends are and how they're getting on.
- ✓ Encourage your child to take part in school activities.
- ✓ Don't let your child take time off school for minor ailments: particularly those which would not stop you from going to work.
- ✓ Where possible, make appointments outside of school hours.
- ✓ Take family holidays during school holiday time only.
- ✓ Encourage your child to tell you about any problems they may have at school. If you know or think that your child is having difficulties attending school, you should contact the school straight away.
- ✓ Acknowledge, praise and reward good or improved attendance, even small successes.

For advice on support for your child's attendance, speak to your school or visit justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance





CB DRAMA'S Class at Spooner Row Village Hall

Thursdays at 5:15-6:15 pm

CB Drama specialises in teaching drama to children of all ages and ability. It aims to teach and mentor students to the highest levels in the subject it covers. Using a structured and creative approach to training and teaching in the following areas;

- Drama, building confidence, role play, dressing up.
- Movement, mime, poetry, speech.
- Television and film technique.
- LAMDA examinations.

If interested please contact Carl Bradley on 07810263938 or via email:
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For more information, please take a look at CB Drama's Facebook and Instagram pages.