
**Northhill C of E V.A. Lower School
Newsletter**

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Dear Parents and Children

A huge thank you to you all for your support for our annual May Day Festival. We are very proud of our children. Their behaviour was superb and I did not hear one complaint about the weather from them.

As it is the summer term we are expecting children to come to school on bicycles and scooters. Please could you ensure that you equip your child with the necessary safety equipment and supervise them ensuring they dismount and walk their bikes and scooters when on school property.

Pupil/parent consultations for the summer term will be held on Tuesday 6th July from 8.30am – 11.30am and Wednesday 7th July from 1.15pm – 6.30pm. Pupils will join their parents for the duration of the 15 minute consultation period. A slight adjustment to the timetable will be necessary to facilitate cover and release of teachers. Appointment sheets will be available in the playground before and after school on Tuesday 29th June and Wednesday 30th June.

Thank you for returning your slips and commenting on the Home School Agreement. We will make collective, dated agreements ready for pupils and parents to sign at our pupil/parent consultations. The agreements will then be displayed on the children's noticeboard.

Unfortunately we have recently noticed a decline in the quality (health wise) of some of the children's packed lunches. It has been discussed with the children and from Monday 10th May the contents of the children's lunch boxes will be monitored throughout the week. Parents will be contacted to discuss any issues that may arise from this.

If your child is going to be absent from school, would you please inform the school office before 9.00am on the first morning of absence. Similarly, if you are going to be late collecting your child at the end of the school day, or if your child is going to be collected by someone other than the person who usually collects them, please inform the school office at your earliest convenience.

In order to try to prevent illness from spreading, please ensure that if your child is physically sick or has suffered with diarrhoea, they are kept off of school for a clear 48 hour period after the last occurrence. Similarly, if headlice are discovered in your child's hair please keep your child at home until their hair has been treated. As a precaution it is sensible to tie back long or shoulder length hair whenever possible.

If your child requires medicine during the school day we are happy to administer it on your behalf. However in order to do so, you will need to complete and sign a medical indemnity form which is available from the school office. If your child requires 3 regular doses of antibiotics, it may be possible for them to be given first thing in the morning, at the end of the school day and just before your child goes to bed, thus avoiding the need for medicine to be administered at school. We do appreciate that antibiotics need to be administered at regular intervals throughout the day, so if your child goes to bed too early to receive the third dose at bedtime, please do not hesitate to bring the medicine in to school to be administered at lunchtime.

We no longer keep school uniform in stock. All orders should be placed via the uniform shop on our school website at www.northill.org.uk. Postage for both orders placed and items returned is free of charge. By accessing your favourite superstores via the uniform shop in order to do your on-line shopping, additional funds will be generated for the school at no additional cost to yourselves.

Please remember to return your May Day costumes to school as soon as possible, washed and with a label containing the dancer's name no later than Monday 10th May.

Yours sincerely

The Headteacher and Staff
Northill Lower School