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Norwood News



ASPIRE, RESPECT and ENJOY

Friday 15th November 2024

NORWOOD SUPPORTS CHILDREN IN NEED DAY

Norwood's annual Children In Need day proved a wonderful event as always, with children resplendent in their own clothing, including onesies and Pudsey ears. To raise money for a worthwhile cause is always well greeted by children and staff alike, who all love the opportunity to be wearing something more relaxing! Thank you for your support.



INTRODUCING THE GOVERNORS OF NORWOOD

In the most recent Parental Survey, it was noted that a majority of parents would like more information about Norwood's Governing Body.

The role of the Governing Body is to provide strategic management of the school, to oversee the financial performance, to act as a "critical friend" and also support the work of the Head Teacher and other staff.

There are currently 14 Governors: the Head Teacher and Deputy Head; five are **co-opted** for their specific skills and experience; five are **parents** of children; one represents the **staff** and one represents the **Local Authority**. The Chair of the Governors is Mrs. L. Lee and the Vice-Chair is Mr. C. Stewart.

Governors bring a wide range of experiences and skills and have key roles in monitoring how the school and the staff are performing. They also meet half-terminally as the whole body, to ensure that Norwood is maintaining its ethos and values as well as continuing to improve your children's education.

The most recent meeting, held on **Thursday 24th October**, discussed the following items:

- The support offered by the school to pupil's following the summer incidents in Southport
- A review of the performance in external tests
- An evaluation of the School Development Plan 2023-24
- The current staffing structure
- The Parent Survey
- Safeguarding, Finance and Curriculum
- Agreeing the following policies: Complaints; Child Protection/Safeguarding and Attendance/Punctuality

More information about Norwood's Governors can be found on the school website and if you wish to contact the Governors, please use the following email address: norwoodgovernors@norwoodmail.co.uk

HOW TO MAKE A COMPLAINT ABOUT ANYTHING AT NORWOOD

The school's Complaint policy has been recently updated and approved by the Governors for 2024-25. It is available on the school website and paper copies can be collected from the school office.



NEXT WEEK'S MENU is Week 3

See the Parents section of the school website for full details of the menu.



YEAR 5 MINI POLICE HAVE BEEN BUSY

The last couple of months has been a tremendously busy period for our Year 5 Mini Police. Before half term, the Mini Police had an exciting opportunity to visit Rivington Pike for a fact filled hike. This excursion was led by specially trained officers from Merseyside Police, along with two cadets, our community liaison officer and staff from Norwood. The hike itself was full of interesting locations with many a question being asked and answered. To say that the children were blown away by the incredible views from the summit would be an understatement. This trip certainly reached new heights!

This week, five of our Mini Police along with five children from Garston Primary School in Liverpool were asked to be a special guard of honour for the guests at the annual Community First Awards ceremony. The event is an opportunity to recognise police officers, staff, volunteers and community partners for their dedication, bravery and professionalism. During the evening, the children had the opportunity to meet the Chief Constable Selena Kennedy as well as comic actor, Ricky Tomlinson.



At the top of Rivington Pike

At both events the Mini Police had a fabulous time and were praised throughout for their polite nature, presentation and genuine enthusiasm. Well done to them all for showing their amazing Norwood ARE values to a wider community.

Left: Freddy T, Harley W, George W, Daniel G, Alice H, Dexter J, Rosie E, Evelyn S, Adele A, Emily H and Amelia E



Meeting Ricky Tomlinson

Right: Francesca B, Aubrey S, Grace C, Freddy T and Darwin A

YEAR 6 CAPTAINS PAY RESPECTS ON SUNDAY

Last Sunday morning, nine of the Year 6 Captains took part in the Remembrance Service at the Southport Cenotaph along with hundreds of people showing their respect for those who were involved in the two world wars and later conflicts. The children were fabulous role models for us all, showing tremendous RESPECT throughout the occasion. A wreath was laid from everybody at Norwood in honour of all those people. Thank you to Travis H, Taryn C, Charlie P, Charlie R, Eleanor R, Emilia C, Sebastian T, Joshua H, Lauren B and Mrs. Watson.



NORWOOD SENDS ITS FIRST TEN PIN BOWLERS TO OCEAN PLAZA

Continuing with our goal to ASPIRE children with new opportunities, we were delighted to be able to send a team of Year 5 and 6 children to the first ever Ten Pin Bowling event run by the North Sefton Schools Games Organiser. The children and staff loved taking part and trying a new sport. Well done to Caelan H, Mark W, Harley W, Casey M, Eddie S and Blake C and thank you to Mrs. Brookfield for making all the arrangements as well as Mrs. Cotham, Miss Cropper and Mrs. Cornes for their support in ensuring the children had such ENJOYMENT.



HOMEWORK IS RETURNING NEXT WEEK

Following feedback from parents, children and staff we are launching our new and improved homework policy next Thursday.

This information will also be made available to you all on Wednesday.