# Key dates:

#### March at Northway 2023

w.b Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March Maths 'Book Look' in School

Forest Skills Workshop cont... (all children)

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March Philharmonic Concert (now cancelled)

Potential NEU Strike Day

Dental Survey (Y6)

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March Potential NEU Strike Day

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March St Patrick's Day

w.b Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March Science 'Book Look' in School

Assessment Week

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2.15pm Parent Coffee and Chat (Front Room)

Science: Fun Science to do at home

More dates have been added ... check what interests you.

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# NEWSLETTER

10<sup>th</sup> March 2023

#### Notes from the Headteacher's Study



Snow, Snow, Snow!

Waking up on Friday gave us all a surprise and created a very different Northway ... we became a winter wonderland! It was beautiful to arrive early and see school covered in white and looking so perfect! **How would you describe the snow?** Could you use a simile or metaphor?

I hope you enjoy these photographs,

Mr Hargreaves HEADTEACHER









#### NEU Strike update:

I wanted to give you an update on the planned upcoming strike by NEU, if it takes place. We are presuming this strike will happen although we have not been notified officially.

The National Education Union have planned to take strike action on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023. As explained previously, there would inevitably be disruption to some classes within school. I have been updated and Governors and I are now able to share details with you. Please note arrangements are different to the last two strike occasions.

School will be open on Wednesday 15th March for children in:

- 4McCartney
- 6Anning
- 6Darwin

Unfortunately, School will not be open to children in the other classes or to Key Worker children from other classes due to the shortage of teaching staff.

On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March unfortunately, School will not be open to children in any class due to a lack of staff that provides a health and safety risk we are unable to mitigate against. Children in:

- 4McCartney
- 6Anning
- 6Darwin

will be taught **remotely from home** and detailed instructions will be given to these children before Thursday.

All children whose classes are open should still attend school, even if their sibling is affected by the strike. All members of staff who are not striking will still be working and in school. As you will be aware there are legal / national procedures that we need to follow during a strike; first and foremost a risk assessment of safety for those pupils attending.

Lessons on Wednesday will take place for children in 4McC, 6A and 6D as normal. PE and Spanish will take place and School Lunches will still be cooked. If you would like your child to have a school meal on Wednesday (if they do not normally have one), please let the School Office know. All usual services will be maintained, be it within a much smaller feeling school.

#### What do you think?

#### **Survey closes today**

We have sent quite a few questionnaires recently and we have really valued your feedback. Also, recently on the gate or whilst coming into school for events, lots of parents have shared some lovely comments about school. We wanted to try to capture some of these comments by re-sending the Parental View Questionnaire. This time it is for school use and not published online or for any external group. The aim is to capture your view of our school and then to continue working on things to keep getting better.

If you could spend a few minutes sharing your view, we would really appreciate it. Where possible please can you share examples of the things that are working well as well as examples of things that could get better.

Thank you again for your partnership in ensuring that together, all learners, feel valued and can achieve.

Mr Hargreaves and Team Northway

# Y6 Dearne Valley reminder:

24<sup>th</sup> March 2023 is the deadline for Dearne Valley payments. For any further information please speak to Miss Sultan

#### Football ... great news:

Our Football Team has fantastic news... we are through to the City Finals. How excited are we?! Watch this space on the 24<sup>th</sup> March for more news!

# Junior Bake Off opportunity:

My name is Hannah and I'm a Casting Researcher at Love Productions; the company behind The Great British Bake Off, The Great British Sewing Bee and The Great Pottery Throw Down.

We are delighted to say, that we have recently opened applications for the 9<sup>th</sup> series of **Junior Bake Off**; a Channel 4 programme that celebrates the culinary talent and ambition of the younger generation in Britain.

With this in mind, we are contacting schools in the hope that you can help us spread the word regarding this exciting opportunity.

If you could share our casting flyer with the children, parents & staff at your school that would be really appreciated.

We are looking for young budding bakers between **9-12 years old.**Filming would take place from July 2023, but our **applications close on Sunday 12**<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Interested bakers can apply online at - www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk

We have attached a flyer in case you would like to pop these up in any of your newsletters/social media.

Please do feel free to contact us on **0207 067 4833**, should you have any questions regarding the above.

Thank you so much for all of your help in advance!

Best wishes,
The Junior Bake Off Team



enquiries: applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk

#### Easter Holiday programme:

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The Easter HAF programme starts on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April and there are lots of great activities happening over the school holidays. Children and young people will be able to access hundreds of activities throughout the Easter break including specific provision available for children with SEND or additional needs, at **no cost to you**. There's a great range of activities across the city including **boxing**, **trampolining**, **football**, **music**, **dance**, **cycling**, **cooking**, **climbing**, **films**, **bowling**, **arts and crafts**, **drama**, **a make up course**, **trips out**, **Eurovision themed activities** and much more! Every day there will be a meal available for every child that attends.

To find out where your nearest scheme and all the details of what is on click on this link: <a href="https://merseyplay.com/easter-haf-holiday-activities-food/">https://merseyplay.com/easter-haf-holiday-activities-food/</a> or visit <a href="https://www.Merseyplay.com">www.Merseyplay.com</a> and click on the Easter HAF link (available on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March).

When you have chosen an activity, you will need to contact that organisation to book a place. Each organisation will have either a telephone number, email address or online booking system. If your child has any additional needs or dietary requirements then please discuss this with the organisation when you book. There is no central booking system so please read the details of the programmes on the website and ring the providers directly.

Liverpool City Council is working with the local schools, voluntary and community organisations, and childcare providers to provide the HAF programme. The programme is funded by the Department for Education.

The Liverpool Family Information and SEND Directory also provides a wealth of useful information and support for families - LFISD.

Regards

Sally Dobbing - HAF Project Manager

# This week...Week 3 (Spring 2) ATTENDANCE

**Reception Gruffalo** 92.1% 92.6% **Reception Stickman** Year 1 Morris 94.8% 92.2% Year 1 Sharman Year 2 Churchill 96.4% **Year 2 Windsor** 99.2% 97.9% Year 3 Archer Year 3 Roscoe 93.8% Year 4 Lennon 95.4% Year 4 McCartney 89.6% 86.5% Year 5 Hawking 93.1% Year 5 Turing **Year 6 Anning** 92.9% Year 6 Darwin 93.8%

# Snow **did** have an impact on Friday!

98+ Green 95%-97% Amber 94% and below Red

This week: Congratulations!

Attendance:

**2Windsor** 

Overall week: 93.5%



This week's
Marvellous Me
WINNER 2W & 5H



Arrive on time FOR ten to nine. It's the smart-way and the North-way to start!

#### Parents' Evening feedback:

Most parents requested a face to face appointment with their child's class teacher during Parents' Evening last week, which again was a real delight. This changed since the last round, where most wanted a School Cloud appointment. There will soon be a Survey to gather this intel formally.

If parents do still find School Cloud useful, we will be able to accommodate this, but at a set time during the day. When more appointments are face to face, it becomes a challenge to get to 'virtual' appointments and then back to the real-life people without unintentionally missing appointments or creating a backlog.

Once we have the survey results we will ensure we have the system that endeavours to work for everyone.

#### Liverpool Parenting Newsletter:

Please use this link to read the latest Parenting Newsletter. There are lots of offers and resources you might find useful.

Please click:



Welcome to the January to March edition of Liverpool's Parenting Newsletter. My name is Lisa Lunt and I would like to introduce myself to you all as Liverpool City Council's new Parenting...

Go to this Sway

#### SEND conversations for Parents:

If you need to contact our SEND Team at Northway **please** catch Mr Bayliss in the Front Room each morning or contact a member of the Team using <a href="mailto:SEND@northway.liverpool.sch.uk">SEND@northway.liverpool.sch.uk</a>.

#### EYFS SEND conversations for Parents:

If your child is in Nursery or Reception and you need to speak to our SENDCo, please pop to The Front Room (next to the School Office) each morning where you can either see Mr Bayliss then or book a future appointment.