



The Spire Federation North Cockerington CE Primary School

16th July 2021



End of term update

There has been a wealth of information issued today via email with regard to changes affecting how we will operate from September. Please ensure you have received and read the following important documents:

- Federation Update Letter
- September parent/carer update
- Contact Tracing Letter

If you have any queries regarding any of the information issued please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Summer Holiday Learning Resources

Morrisons supermarket and White Rose Maths have teamed up to provide summer learning resources for the school holidays to allow children to revise and prepare for the autumn term. All you have to do is pop into your local Morrisons store after **26th July** and go to the 'Children's Little Library' section they have set up in order to collect your free resources. You can find more information here:

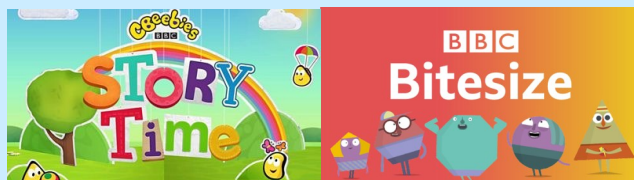
<https://whiterosemaths.com/morrisons/>

BBC Bitesize : BBC bitesize have some excellent revision material , games, videos and activities for all ages to get your children prepared for the next academic year. CBeebies also have learning apps which are free to download and you can also visit the CBeebies story time app to encourage your children to keep reading over the holidays.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/summer-activities-for-children/zjwbkmm>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/stories>



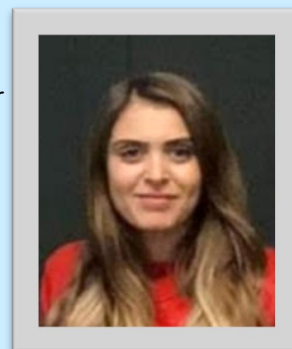
Rainbow Non Uniform Day!

Last Tuesday our school was a fantastic array of colour and vibrancy to mark the NHS's birthday and to say thank you for all their hard work during the pandemic. Together, we have raised in excess of £80.00 for the NHS Charities together fund. Thank you to everyone who participated and donated.



Congratulations Miss Boswell!

Congratulations to Miss Boswell who has got a Distinction in her Professional Studies in Education degree. She will start training as a teacher next year and will continue to support Kingfisher class in her current teaching assistant role.



FSM Vouchers during the summer holidays

We have been advised that the covid support grant for families entitled to Free School meals has been extended into September 2021. If you are currently eligible for Free School Meals based on your personal circumstances, Mrs Owen will contact you directly regarding the vouchers that will be issued. If you would like to find out if you are eligible for Free school meals and the vouchers for the holiday period, please see the link at the end of the newsletter.

Owl Class Book Club Update:

Over the last 2 weeks we decided to write a story collectively for girls around the age of six.

The story we wrote followed the adventure of a fictional character Princess Layla and her pet unicorn Sparkles who suddenly and rather mysteriously begins to talk whilst they are on a walk in a magical forest near their castle.

Although the story may be short, we have questioned members of Book Club about their younger siblings reading and vocabulary knowledge so we could write a book that was the correct difficulty for them to read. We will also let the younger siblings read our book if they wish too.

The Magical Adventure

Once upon-a time, in a magical forest far, far away there lived a princess called Layla and her pet unicorn Sparkles. Princess Layla loved pink frilly dresses and shiny crowns.

One day Princess Layla took Sparkles on a walk in the forest. Suddenly, they heard a noise, "Woooo, hoooo" went the noise again.

Sparkles ran off.

"Sparkles!" Princess Layla cried out.

Half an hour later, she found Sparkles sitting on a toad stool.

"Sparkles, there you are!" exclaimed Princess Layla happily.

When Princess Layla got to the toadstool Sparkles was sitting on, the unicorn started to talk.

"Hello cowboy!" Sparkles said enthusiastically.

After saying this Sparkles stood up and found a top hat buried in the heaps of leaves and started to fool about.

"So today we are finding leaves to add to my collection." Sparkles informed Princess Layla and with that Sparkles started to sniff the ground looking for any tasty bits of food on the ground.

After a while of Sparkles mucking around, they headed back to the castle with armfuls of leaves to add to Sparkles' collection.

When Princess Layla and Sparkles were tired out from chattering Sparkles headed to her stable full of mirrors, crowns and a beautiful bed which she decided to sleep on whilst Princess Layla went into her pink wonderland bedroom and clamoured into bed before falling asleep in seconds.

The End

School Reports

End of year reports have been emailed out to parents this week. If you have not received a copy of your child's report, please let the office know and a duplicate will be reissued.

Thank you

Year 6 Leavers

It's that time of year again when we have to say goodbye and good luck to our current year 6 pupils that will be moving onto pastures new from September. Normally we would be planning a "Valedictory" Service at church to commemorate their time with us but as we all know, times are far from "normal"!

To mark the occasion we are hoping to hold an outdoor leavers assembly on Tuesday 20th July. Letters have been issued to Y6 parents confirming how operations will be managed as our current school risk assessments will remain in place until the end of term at the advice of LCC, despite the wider easing nationally on July 19th. **Please ensure you have notified the office in advance of who will be attending for your child. (Parental attendance is weather dependent)**

Despite the restrictions in place we did manage an end of year trip to Walesby Forest where our pupils were able participate safely in a range of outdoor activities to challenge the body, mind and soul! Thank you to everyone that contributed towards the trip as without your contributions it wouldn't have taken place and thank you to the staff who worked extra hard to meet all the additional covid secure requirements to make sure this event could take place.

Let's not dwell on what hasn't happened, but instead embrace and be thankful for what has. Your children have grown, flourished and blossomed during their time at North Cockerington and will leave with cherished memories. The term is not over just yet ... there may be a surprise or too more to come!



Values Poster Winner

Congratulations to this terms Values poster winner for the value "Friendship". The poster was chosen as it sparked the most debate when looking at it allowing for the values of friendship to be explored deeper and question what a friend is, how we feel when we don't have friends as well as how we feel when we do.

We can't wait to see this enlarged onto a canvas and displayed in the hall.



Hot Meal orders & Payments

All hot meal orders for September have now been uploaded onto school money. Please log on over the summer to check your child's order. This can be done by looking at the order "history". (The location of this depends on if you are using the web based version of school money or teachers2parents app.) When you log in you will see a "debit" amount owing for any meals ordered. This balance does not need to be paid straight away but if you'd like to make the payment now, please do so in the normal way. Please be aware the next meal order will be due the first week back in September so you may want to pay in August to prevent a large bill from accruing as if you order regularly you will not be able to order if there is an outstanding payment on your account.

We will be returning to online ordering for meals from September so please make sure your log in details are working. If you need a password reset, please email the office at :

enquiries@north-cockerington.lincs.sch.uk

Diary Dates

- **Monday 19th July** –Kingfisher class please bring a strong bag.
- **Tuesday 20th July**—Y6 leavers assembly
- **Wednesday 21st July** - Last day of term
- **Thursday 2nd September** -Inset Day
- **Friday 3rd September** –Inset Day
- **Monday 6th September** –pupils return to school



Useful Links

- **Free School Meals** –Check your eligibility here: <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-pupil-support/apply-free-school-meals>
- **Cool Milk** - milk is free to all pupils under the age of 5. If your child would like to continue to enjoy milk at school after they turn 5, please order and pay for it here: <https://www.coolmilk.com/parents/>
- **Lateral flow tests** - You can order kits online now if you do not have coronavirus symptoms, you live in England, you're 18 or older, you have not been told to self-isolate and you cannot get tests from your work, school, college or university (ask them for rapid lateral flow tests) <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>