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Weekly Northgate News - 11th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely summer break. It is wonderful to see all of the children back to school and to welcome our brand new Nursery and Reception class children. We are looking forward to working with you closely during the year - your support is incredibly important in helping our children to thrive. Here is to a happy and successful year ahead!

We also welcome new staff to our school. Mrs McAllister, our Parent Support Adviser, is looking forward to meeting families and is available to provide support, advice and guidance to parents and carers throughout the school year. We also welcome two teaching assistants, Mr King and Mrs Macleod and Miss Sparrow, Year 1 teacher.

Ready, Respectful, Safe

We have relaunched our school expectations that all of our children are 'Ready, Respectful and Safe' each day in school. Our expectations are simple and clear so that our school continues to be a place where everyone is ready for learning, where we are kind and respectful and where safe choices are made every day. We are very proud of how our children have already embraced this with their positive attitudes to learning, safe choices and kind and thoughtful behaviour towards others.

Every Day Counts!

A reminder of the importance of good attendance and arriving on time. Even occasional absence can have an impact on children's learning and progress. We understand that children do



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sometimes become unwell and will need to stay at home. However, where your child is well enough to attend, please ensure they are in school every day, on time.

Christmas Cards, Mugs and Notebooks Designed by your Child

We are excited to offer families the opportunity to purchase personalised Christmas cards, mugs and notebooks featuring your child's own artwork. On **21st September**, children will bring home their design attached to an order form. If you would like to order any of these festive keepsakes, please follow the instructions on the form, place your order and return the artwork to school by **1st October**. We will then send the designs off for printing, and the finished items will be delivered to school and sent home with your child in December. It is a wonderful opportunity to get organised for Christmas, celebrate your child's creativity, and enjoy unique gifts designed especially by them.

Important Dates

Monday 14th September - Caister Academy Visit - Y6

Thursday 17th September - Time and Tide Trip - Y3

Thursday 1st October - Lunchtime theme - Pirate Day

Thursday 22nd October - Last Day of Autumn Half Term

Friday 23rd October to Friday 30th October - Autumn Half Term

Monday 2nd November - Return to school following Autumn Half Term

Have a lovely weekend,

Susan Bacon
Headteacher



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