

NC News

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The newsletter of
Normand Croft Community School



Congratulations to Classes 4 and 5 for achieving 100% attendance for the first 3 days back at school.

Attendance	W1 6-8 Sep
C1	95
C2	86
C3	85
C4	100.0
C5	100.0
C6	89.
Totals	91.6

Children need to be at school on time. The gate on Mulgrave Road will close at 8.55 each day.

It has been lovely welcoming our families to Normand Croft after the summer holiday.

The children have settled really well and are striving to demonstrate our shared value of excellence in all that they do.

Thank you to all our families who are making sure your children arrive at school before the gate closes in Mulgrave Road at 8.55. This means that they are not missing out on a minute of opportunities.

During the holiday, Annie and Mrs Harvey continued to look after our beautiful school gardens and our chickens. As you can see, the chickens are now fully grown and will soon be laying eggs! Each primary class democratically decided on a name for their chicken.

We have also been harvesting produce from our gardens, including potatoes, squash, grapes and berries.



Rosie

Sophia

Oreo



Leah

Hope

Star

Thank you to Mrs Harvey, who will be leaving Normand Croft next Thursday to start a new job, much closer to home!

She has had such a positive impact while she has been here, developing our pond and gardens, caring for the chickens and enabling us to achieve Eco Green flag status.

Message from Sandra & Karen

For safeguarding reasons, it is important that we have up to date contact details for you. Please let Karen and Sandra know the following:

Changes to contact details – mobile numbers, home numbers, email addresses, home addresses.

All pupils in Classes 3 – 6 will receive school meals free of charge this year. If you would like your child to have a packed lunch, please notify the school office.

NCCS Tote Bags

Green NCCS Tote bags have now been handed out to families. These bags can be used to collect food items in the playground on Fridays.

As we no longer have an after school extended day provision, if you wish to book after school care for your child (Reception to Yr 6 only) please use the following link :

<https://www.sirjohnlillieprimary.co.uk/play-centre/>

Free School Meals

<https://www.lbhf.gov.uk/benefits/student-benefits-and-grants>

If entitled, you will receive a confirmation letter from the local authority (which should be taken to the school office) and your child/ren's names will be added to our Free School Meals List (only pupils whose names are on the school's list will receive food vouchers in the holidays).

Please note that this is a separate eligibility from the Yr 3 – 6 free meals for this year.

Be Safe, Be Kind, Be The Best That You Can Be Early Years and Primary Learning

Nursery and Reception are settling in really well into their routines. Nursery have read lots of stories, done lots of painting and are having a lot of fun outside in the sun in their lovely outdoor space.

Year 1 have settled beautifully into their class. They have been excited to choose their own activities to do, as well as working with their teachers. They have made a Frida Khalo inspired self portrait and have been keen to learn all about Mr Bounce and how he does not give up. Class One have started to learn cursive script and have been trying really hard to form the letters correctly. We have visited the chickens and have named our one Rosie.



This week in Year 2, we had a special visit from the London Fire Brigade. We learnt all about how to escape a fire safely and how to prevent a fire from happening such as how to check our fire alarms are working and how often we need to check them. Also, we learnt about an artist called Andy Goldsworthy who uses natural resources to create art. We took inspiration from this artist and collected natural resources outside and then worked in groups to use a combination these resources to make our own art.



Year 3 have really enjoyed writing lots about Mr Worry, and also hearing the stories of all the other Mr Men characters. We decided Mr Noisy was one of our favourites..

We also loved starting our new science unit on Animals, Including Humans, in which we have been exploring the different food groups.

Year 4 have also been planning their stories based on Mr Worry starting a new school. They are also enjoying their class story Whizziwig by Malorie Blackman. In science, they made models of teeth and had to look carefully to decide whether the teeth were molars, pre-molars, incisors or canines.

Year 5 enjoyed a visit from London Fire Brigade this week. The session explained the dangers of fire and smoke and what to do in a fire (recapping on previous learning in Year 2) as well as the importance of smoke detectors and fire escape plans from homes.

Year 6 have had a wonderful first week back. We have had great fun inventing our Mr Men style characters ready for our story; learning about the positions and significance of lines of latitude and longitude in our world as well as reading, writing and ordering numbers that are over a million! Everyone has settled in well and are being the best they can be. Well done Year 6!

It has been wonderful visiting classrooms this week and seeing all the amazing learning that is happening.

Diary Dates Our Shared Value Excellence

Mon 18 th Sep	Y5 & Y6 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Y 3 & Y4 Multiskills
Tue 19 th	Y5 & Y6 Squash Club am Y 3 & Y4 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Y1 & Y2 Multiskills
Wed 20 th	Y 1 & Y2 PE
Thur 21 st	Y6 Swimming
Fri 22 nd	Y5 Swimming
Mon 25 th	Y5 & Y6 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Y 3 & Y4 Multiskills
Tue 26 th	Y5 & Y6 Squash Club am Y 3 & Y4 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Y1 & Y2 Multiskills
Wed 27 th	Y 1 & Y2 PE
Thur 28 th	Y6 Swimming
Fri 29 th	Y5 Swimming

Year 6 School Journey PGL Marchant's Hill

Please remember to pay your child's school journey fees by October 9th, if you have not done so already. More information will be sent home with your child next week.