

North Rigton Church of England Primary School

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SCHOOL HOURS
Door Opens at 8.45am
Morning Session 8.50am - 12.00pm
Lunch time 12.00pm - 1.00pm
Afternoon Session 1.00pm - 3.30pm

RED KITE CLUB

Breakfast Club: 7.30—9.00am
After School Club: 3.30—6.00pm

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NORTH RIGTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL CLUBS

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| MONDAY | Drum Lessons Mike Parris 2.20 Karate 3.40 – 4.30 Yr1 + Adult Choir 7:30 |
| TUESDAY | Guitar 9.30 am Hall Netball coaching Mrs Wallen lunchtime Dance - Zumba (Yrs 3, 4, 5, 6) 3:30 - 4:30 |
| WEDNESDAY | Piano and Singing Lessons Sadie The Music Lady 10:30 Sports Club (Yrs 3, 4, 5, 6) 3:40 - 4:30 James Finch Junior Choir 3:30- 4:30 Mrs Kendall |
| THURSDAY | Recorder Club 12:00 Mrs Littlewood and Ms Nixon Homework club 12:00 Mrs Hudson French Club 4.00- 4:45 Yr 3+ Rachel Vincent Gardening Club 3:30 - 4:30 Miss Ellis |
| FRIDAY | |

TERM DATES

| TERM | START DATE | END DATE |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Autumn 2016 - first half term | Monday 5 September 2016 | Friday 21 October 2016 |
| Half term holiday | Monday 24 October 2016 | Friday 28 October 2016 |
| Autumn 2016 - second half term | Monday 31 October 2016 | Friday 16 December 2016 |
| Christmas holiday | Monday 19 December 2016 | Tuesday 3 January 2016 |
| Spring 2017 - first half term | Wednesday 4 January 2017 | Friday 17 February 2017 |
| Half term holiday | Monday 20 February 2017 | Friday 24 February 2017 |
| Spring 2017 - second half term | Monday 27 February 2017 | Friday 7 April 2017 |
| Easter holiday | Monday 10 April 2017 | Monday 24 April 2017 |
| Summer 2017 - first half term | Monday 24 April 2017 | Friday 26 May 2017 |
| May bank holiday | Monday 1 May 2017 | |
| Half term holiday | Monday 29 May 2017 | Friday 2 June 2017 |
| Summer 2017 - second half term | Monday 5 June 2017 | Tuesday 25 July 2017 |

TRAINING DAYS

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| Monday 5th September 2016 | at the end of the Summer holiday |
| Monday 31st October 2016 | at the end of the Autumn half term holiday |
| Tuesday 3rd January 2017 | at the end of the Christmas holiday |
| Monday 24th April 2017 | at the end of the Easter holiday |
| Monday 5th June 2017 | at the end of the Summer half term holiday |



Our mission at North Rigton Church of England Primary School is for all learners to be motivated confident and competent, ensuring that they grow as independent and informed spiritual beings and as responsible citizens, skilled for the 21st century, each fulfilling their personal potential.

Diary Dates

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| ANTI BULLY- ING WEEK | 14.11.16 |
| CHILDREN IN NEED | 18.11.16 |
| FONR CHRIS- TMAS FAYRE | 03.12.16 |
| HARROGATE PANTO | 13.12.16 |
| KS1 & REC NATIVITY | 15.12.16 pm |
| KS2 CAROL SERVICE | 15.12.16 evening |
| CHRISTMAS PARTY | 16.12.16 |

NEWS FLASH:

THANK YOU

For collecting so many Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. We used them to purchase hockey sticks and balls, gardening gloves and trowels. All of which have been put to good use already.

BOOK AMNESTY

If you're having a clear out please don't throw away any books. More details on our Book Amnesty to follow soon.

North Rigton Church of England Primary School Newsletter

Autumn Term 2016
Newsletter Five

Friday 11th November 2016

From the top of the stairs...

Sweat the Small Stuff...

This was the title of our second training day held at the beginning of this half term.

Our adults had identified that some small changes needed to occur in the way children moved around school (inside and outside), so we created the...

RIGTON RITUALS

The Rituals are an agreed set of procedures for children lining up (inside and outside the school building), coming into the hall at lunchtimes, entering and exiting Collective Worship and we even created

some for levels of handwriting and presentation in our books.

We introduced our new Rigton Rituals to the children during Collective Worship and class-times. We've also created posters, that will soon be appearing around school, with the strap line:

Learning every day in the North Rigton Way

So what is different already, around school, as a result of these small changes?

Children are much calmer entering the school building; enabling them to settle to learning quicker. Corridors are safer places for all children. Loud voices have become quieter. Appro-

priate behaviours are displayed during Collective Worship and everyone has the same level of expectation of presentation and handwriting in books.

Look out for our new posters around school and ask your children about our new Rituals. We'll be exploring them further in Collective Worship and classtimes so that Rigton Rituals become part of North Rigton C of E Primary School culture.

Sometimes the smallest changes can make the biggest difference.

With every blessing,
Mrs Amber Andrews

RECORDERS

For the last couple of years the wonderful Nicola Nixon has been supporting our recorder club by coming in every Thursday lunchtime and taking 2 groups of children to teach both Beginner and Advanced recorder.

Unfortunately Nicola is unable to continue taking

the groups after this term so we are looking for a new Recorder Teacher for the club to start after Christmas.

If you are able to play the recorder and would like to come in to help please contact the office.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Nico-



Church News

WINE AND CHEESE EVENING

You are invited to join church members for a social evening and to share the plans which are being proposed for the church to create a community space.

Get involved. View the initial plans. Comment on the ideas

St John's Church, North Rigton on Friday 11th November 7.30—9.30pm

ALL WELCOME



ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Sunday 13 November

9.30 am

St John's Church, North Rigton



The service will include the laying of wreathes at the War Memorial.

All are welcome

CHILDREN IN NEED

We will be joining in with fundraisers all over the country to support Children in Need.



GET SPOTTY!

So on Friday 18th November please can you come to school in spots—be as spotty as possible—no uniform needed, just lots and lots of spots!

Don't forget to bring a donation!

DIARY DATES: Christmas Extravaganza – Saturday 3rd December

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CHRISTMAS CARDS

Thank you to all those parents who came into school to help the children make their beautiful Christmas Cards last week. More information will be coming home soon on how to purchase these wonderful creations!

CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

Don't Forget...

Christmas Extravaganza 3rd December



Tickets are available now in the playground every day or contact the school office; early bird price until 18th November!

If you cannot attend, please support FoNR by buying raffle tickets.

We will gratefully receive bottle donations please for raffle prizes, a box will be by the main school door every morning.

To make the Extravaganza run smoothly many volunteers are required on the day and also for baking, please do sign up on the sheets inside the main school door.

If any Year 5/6 children are available to help on the day with nail painting and tattoos, please could they let Mrs Storey know.

Please, please, please support this worthwhile event—all money raised goes towards providing valuable learning materials to support the new curriculum for every child in school. Thank you

Reverse Advent Calendar

The School Council have decided to collect items for a Reverse Advent Calendar.

What is a Reverse Advent Calendar?

Each day, during Advent, add an item to a box and then just before Christmas give it to your local food bank.

How will this happen in our school?

During December, a box will be

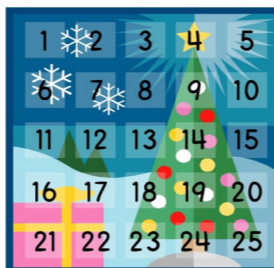
placed in the school entrance, we are encouraging our school families to place one small item in regularly. At the end of term we will deliver our collection to a local Food Bank for use over the festive period.

What sort of items should we collect?

Dried and tinned goods.

The School Council would encourage you to take part and support by

providing whatever you are able to. We hope you will agree with us that this is a simple way of demonstrating and offering support to those less fortunate than ourselves.



The Rigtonics

Do you enjoy a good sing? North Rigton C of E Primary School has its very own parents and community choir and with Christmas fast approaching, it's the perfect time to come along and sing your heart out!

The Rigtonics was set up 7 years with the aim of bringing people together, making music and adding

an extra dimension to the musical life of the school.. but primarily it's about having fun!

We started life as a group of 6 and at our biggest grew to be a choir of 23! We currently have around 11 regular members although now only 3 are parents of children currently at school. It would be fantastic to have new parents come along so that the choir renews its direct connection with the school and so it continues to blossom and flourish;

the more members there are, the bigger and better the sound will be!

We meet at school on Monday evenings 7.45- 9.30 (often followed by lubricating the vocal chords at the pub afterwards!) All abilities welcome, no auditions- just come along and sing!

Peta Kendall

Homework

There has been some debate recently in the press about the usefulness of homework, with a few schools taking decisions to abandon homework altogether even though it is a government expectation.

Views amongst parents vary widely, with some expecting ever increasing levels of homework to those who believe it eats into valuable family time at home together.

My advice is this:

- I would always encourage children to complete all homework set as it promotes good habits and levels of expectation for high school
- Choose the right time for your child to complete their homework; little and often is best
- Don't hesitate to contact the teacher if your child is finding the homework tricky and likewise if it becomes too easy



School Office

OFFICE HOURS

Mon Tues Wed
8.30am — 3.15pm

Thurs
8.30am — 4.00pm

Fri
9.15am — 4.00pm

Governor News

QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to all those parents who have already filled in a Governor Questionnaire at our Meet The Teacher evening.

From time to time the Governors would like to ask your opinion about our school. It is vitally important to us to know that you are satisfied with the quality of care and education your children receive at North Rigton and most importantly, that your children are happy here. Please take a few

minutes to share your thoughts and feelings about your children's experience at our school

Your comments will help us identify whether there are any issues in school that we are not already aware of and to plan for the New Year with the input of our parents as well as our staff and pupils. The survey is confidential and does not require your signature. If you would like to expand on any of your survey choices please do so on a separate piece of paper.

By its nature the survey is not designed to deal with issues individual

children may be facing in any depth. Please be assured we operate an "open door" policy at North Rigton, if you have any questions, concerns or comments relating to your children you are more than welcome to make an individual appointment with the appropriate member of staff at any time.

Please find the questionnaire as an additional attachment to the email.

Please return the survey to our office by: Friday 25th November by email or hard copy.