



## Information Sheet

18<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

The weekly update video from Mr. Carter-Tufnell can be found on our YouTube, at our new address: [youtube.com/@mistleynorman](https://www.youtube.com/@mistleynorman)

### Absence Reporting

As a reminder, our attendance policy states that if a child is absent from school the parent/carer must follow the following procedures:

- Contact the school on the first day of absence **before 9.20 am**. The school has an answer phone available to leave a message if nobody is available to take your call, or call into school personally and speak to the office staff.
- Contact the school on every further day of absence, again **before 9.20am**.
- Ensure that your child returns to school as soon as possible and you provide any medical evidence if requested to support the absence.

### School gate

The school gates now open at 8:30am and close at 8:40am. Any children arriving after the gates close must come through the office. Parents must sign children in at the office. Please do not send them through the office alone. As children start work immediately on arriving in school, punctuality is key, so please ensure all children are in school by 8:35am for registration.

### Nursery donations

If any families are having a clear out and have any of the following available, our nursery would be extremely grateful for any donations: puzzles, boxed games, dolls, cars or trucks. Please speak to one of our nursery staff or Mr. Holton if you have anything your children no longer play with and would be happy to pass to us.

### School Uniform

[www.yourschoolwear.co.uk/mistley-norman-primary-school-201-c.asp](http://www.yourschoolwear.co.uk/mistley-norman-primary-school-201-c.asp)



## Reception 2024

As you may be aware, the primary school (Reception) admission round opened on **Monday 7 November 2022**, for parents of children to apply for a Reception school place for the academic year that starts in September 2023.

The statutory national closing date for applications is **15 January 2023**.

**From 7 November 2022**, applications can be made online via [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions). 99% of parents in Essex applied online last year.

All of the application information is available on the website above.

## Friendship, Fun and Health Week



On Thursday, Socrates had a visit from Nancy and her Life Tent. Once inside her tent, we entered into a world of learning about The Human Body and decision making. It was a very enjoyable experience and the children loved the discussions and hands-on activities. The children were incredibly responsive and made extremely valuable suggestions.

Harold the Giraffe even put in an appearance at the end!



On Thursday, The Year 6 squash team (Saski, Connor, Hope and Crystal) took part in the first round of their Roman Cup tournament. They each played 6 games against different schools and I was so impressed with their determination and effort. We celebrated wins and lots of



*Compassion - Courage - Forgiveness – Respect - Thankfulness*  
*Mistley Norman Church of England Primary School and Nursery*



great points scored. The children's sportsmanship was fantastic and I was so proud of them all. Well done Year 6!

*Mrs. Billings*

SCARF and Road Safety meetings

Thank you to all the parents who attended these meetings during the week. We hope that they were informative and useful, and helped show just some of the breadth of the curriculum that we offer your children.

Christmas dates

In order to help with organisation around a very busy Christmas period, please see the below dates. Parents are warmly encouraged to join us for our Christmas service on the final day of the half term.

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>
Friends of Mistley Norman Christmas Fayre – 3pm – 5pm	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December
Santa Run (with thanks to the Friends of Mistley Norman for their generous donation of hats!)	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December
Friends of Mistley Norman Film Night	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December
Whole school trip to the Pantomime	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas lunch	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas service at the church – parents invited. 10:30am start.	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December

Child First parenting support

Please see the attached flyer and speak to Mr. Holton if you would like any further information.