



Normandy Village School

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Dear parent / carer,

I hope this letter finds you all well. Firstly, I just wanted to thank you all for your well wishes, Albert is an absolute delight and touch wood, seems to be allowing me some sleep of an evening.

I wanted to send you a few updates which I thought may be useful, so please excuse the amount of information today but if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Homework

I am in the process of reviewing the current days homework is set and expected back in. This will take effect from after half-term and will hopefully bring the days in line across the school which will help those parents with multiple children having to remember different deadlines. I will write to you again once the details have been confirmed.

Parking on School Lane

Some of you may have noticed a few signs have been put up on lamp posts, there is a QR code to scan which present you with some proposed changes to the parking restrictions along School Lane. There is a consultation in place with a deadline of October 31st if you wished to share your views. We will follow the developments closely and at which time there is confirmation of plans we will advise on what we will do as a school to support the parking situation.

Term Dates 2026/2027

As some of you may be aware Surrey announced that from next academic year the school calendar will change so there will be a two week half term in October. As a school within a Multi Academy Trust, we have the option to stick with Surrey's dates or propose our own.

In consultation with the Trust, we have decided to match the dates for Surrey which will mean that in October 2026 we will also have a two week half term. This decision has been made to ensure that families with children in multiple settings have term dates that are consistent. I have been speaking with other headteachers, and the general consensus is that other schools will also follow this model. We will trial this for a year and review it next year to see if we want to carry it on into future years.

With any proposed change there will always be different preferences. However, as a school we have made this choice so siblings are more likely to have holidays together. To ensure that children do not finish much later in the summer, we have switched our INSET arrangements so in September we will have two days and in July we will have three days.

Please see the term dates listed below:

Term Dates 2026-27

Autumn Term

INSET: 1st and 2nd September 2026

Children return: Thursday 3rd September 2026

Half term: Weeks beginning 19th October and 26th October 2026

Last day of Autumn Term: 18th December 2026

Christmas holiday: Weeks beginning 21st December and 28th December 2026



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Spring Term

Children return: 4th January 2027

Half term: Week beginning 15th February 2027

Last day of Spring Term: 25th March 2027

Easter holiday: Weeks beginning 29th March and 5th April 2027

Summer Term

Children return: 12th April 2027

Half term: Week beginning 31st May 2027

Last day of Summer Term for children: 23rd July 2027

INSET: 26th, 27th and 28th July 2027

Walking Home

Please note that as the days get shorter and it gets darker and colder, we do not allow children to walk home after clubs. With permission, children in Year 6 can still walk home at 3.15pm but from the week beginning 13th October 2025, we will not allow children to walk home after a club, this is purely down to their safety.

Trip Payments

Please be aware that the trip payment on the MCAS app also includes the consent for the school trip; may I encourage as far as possible in advance that this consent is given. Thank you for your cooperation.

Clubs

Over the last couple of weeks, some children have not attended clubs and instead have gone home. This is not a problem and completely your choice, but please can I ask you inform the office if your child is not attending, so we can keep accurate records and know not to expect them.

Childcare Vouchers for Wrap and Breakfast Club

Our wraparound care offer runs on a no debt basis; please can we you ensure you have funds available to cover the sessions you need to book.

We understand that many of you use tax free childcare vouchers for Wrap and Breakfast Club, and the funds have to be allocated to your child's account by the school office. Please allow three working days for funds to be allocated.

Please ensure you let the school office know how you would like the funds split between Wrap and Breakfast Club and if paying by the Government Tax Free Childcare account please provide the date of the transaction and the reference number, we are unable to verify the transaction and add the fund without this.

If you require Wrap or Breakfast Club while the vouchers are verified and added, please call the school office to book the session required.



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Farnham Park Cross Country

We will be participating in Farnham Park Cross Country on Saturday 18th October. This event is for Years 3 to 6, if your child is interested in participating in this event, they will be able to collect a consent letter to being home.

Beauty and the Beast

Finally, auditions for the Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 performances of Beauty and the Beast, will take place on Monday 20th October and Wednesday 22nd October. Scripts will be handed out once we have taken delivery, and more information will be provided once the parts have been filled. More information on the Ks1 Nativity performances will follow.

Yours faithfully,

J Franks

Mr Jonathan Franks

Headteacher