

3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,



Welcome back to Northbourne for the start of Term 3. I hope you all enjoyed a festive and restful break amongst all the hurry and excitement of Christmas.

As we start the new term there are a few updates and reminders for you:

### **Mrs Tutton - name change**

As of the start of this term, Mrs Tutton will now be using her maiden name of Cooper. Miss Cooper has spoken to the pupils in Oak class today of her name change. Miss Cooper appreciates that a name change will most likely take time for the pupils to get used to and she appreciates the support of the school community with this change.

### **"Chance to Shine" cricket sessions, every Wed for Years 1-6**

If your child is in Beech, Maple, Hazel or Oak class then they will be taking part in "Chance to Shine" cricket sessions with Molly, from Kent Cricket, every Wednesday this term. These sessions will be their PE lessons for this term. Your child will need to be in PE kit every Wednesday and school uniform every other day. This will run for all of Term 3.

If your child is in Willow class, there is no change to their PE day this term. However, Molly will be running sessions for Willow class pupils at lunchtime every Wednesday, which they are free to join in with if they wish. No PE kit needed for these lunchtime sessions.

### **Nut-free school**

Please remember we are a "nut-free" school. We have pupils and staff on site who are allergic to nuts. We ask all of our families and staff to adhere to this practice when bringing food into school. This obviously includes everyday items such as Nutella, peanut butter, nut based cereal bars, etc.

Thank you for your support with this.



### **Uniform and warm clothing for the winter months**

January and February traditionally brings very cold weather up here at Northbourne. Please do make sure that your child has warm clothing with them, particularly for PE days and Forest School. As you know, we don't let the weather stop us from heading outside, even when it is cold and wet.

Plenty of layers, waterproofs, hats and gloves are important when out at Forest School; and warm jogging bottoms for PE days are better than spending the whole day in PE shorts!

### **Thank you to Vienna and Mr Potterton for our car park repairs!**

Hopefully you will have noticed that the pot holes in the car park have been patched up over the Christmas break. We would like to pass on our thanks to Vienna in Maple class, and to her Dad, Mr Potterton, for taking the time to come up to school over the holiday and patch up the holes. We are incredibly grateful for their time and effort! We know that these repairs will be welcomed by all of the parents and staff who drive through our car park. Thank you very much!

### **Please make a note of this year's INSET days, where school is closed to pupils**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June  
Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June

## The Big Question:

