

Dear Parents, Guardians, Carers, Staff & Governors

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We are currently in the middle of a very successful Open Season. We have welcomed many visiting families who have been deeply impressed by our vibrant learning environment, our strong local reputation, and -above all - our wonderful Student Ambassadors, who continue to represent us with warmth and maturity.

Important Notice – Early Closure this Thursday:

Please note that school will **close early at 12.40 pm this Thursday** to allow staff and students time to prepare for our main Open Evening. Thank you in advance for your support with this adjustment.

During our weekly drop-ins, we visited our new Year 7 students in their English lessons. It was brilliant to see how well they have settled in and how keen they are to learn. Many were thoroughly engrossed in their new class novel, *The Graveyard Book*, enthusiastically joining in with reading aloud and answering teacher questions with confidence.

We have also been delighted to welcome a number of new staff members to the Norwood team this term. No doubt your child has already had lessons with one or more of them! The students have been sharing wonderful, positive feedback about their new teachers, and we are thrilled with how quickly our new colleagues have embedded themselves into school life.

As we establish strong routines for the year, we kindly ask for your continued support in ensuring your child comes to school fully **READY**.

Getting it right from the moment they leave home ensures their day runs smoothly and without unnecessary distractions. Please check that your child is fully compliant with our uniform expectations and arrives every morning fully equipped with their essential stationary and school bag.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership and support.

Niki Clemenger & Richard Cole
Co-Headteachers



Highlights of the Week

Over the summer we undertook quite a bit of work - though you will not necessarily see it. Our IT system was updated to ensure students and staff experience better internet connection and a system more fitted to the technology demands needed in a school such as Norwood. Students will have noticed also that we improved the layout of the canteen to help with queuing time at break and lunch. Some have told us they also think it is 'super smart'. Win win!

Our teaching staff have been busy working collaboratively on their own practice. Each has paired up to support teaching and learning - they do say two heads are better than one!

The Gardening club begins again this term, picking up where it left off after the creation of the school pond. Over the summer it was attracting wildlife such as damselflies and we look forward to harvesting the vegetables to survived the heat!

Look out for other clubs for your child to get involved in - there are plenty!



Important Dates

- Thursday 1st October - Annual Lambeth Schools Cross Country Event 10am - 12pm (Brockwell Park)
- Thursday 1st October - Open morning 9am - 10.30am
- Friday 2nd October - Open morning 9am - 10.30am

Hot Chocolate with the Heads this week

Congratulations to:

- Elodie Watkins (8MBL)
- Florence Tilly (9RBU)
- Alex Spano (10BPA)
- Alys Palitz Tsang (11JCU)
- Amari Fagan (12TWI)
- Pearl Rock (13DWO)



Details on the next page...



Open Season 2026/2027

OPEN DAYS

(9.15AM-10.30AM)

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

MON 14TH / TUES 15TH SEPT '26
THURS 17TH / FRI 18TH SEPT '26
WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPT '26

THURS 1ST / FRI 2ND OCT '26
FRIDAY 5TH MARCH 2027

OPEN EVENING

(5.00PM – 8.00PM)

THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER

CLOSING DATE FOR BURSARY
APPLICATION FORMS

FRI 9TH OCT 2026 @ 12.00PM

BURSARY AUDITIONS
+ WORKSHOPS

SAT 17TH OCT 2026

CLOSING DATE FOR SIF

FRI 30TH OCT 2026

ADMISSION TEST DAY

MON 16TH NOV 2026

ANYONE WANTING TO PUT NORWOOD SCHOOL
DOWN AS ONE OF THEIR SIX CAF CHOICES MUST
SIT THE BANDING TEST WITH US



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Our events bring the school community together, are great fun, and help raise funds to support students.
The events below are all FONS fundraising events and each includes a FONS bar.

Thursday 24 September



Macmillan Coffee & Cakes (Open Evening)

From 5pm
Tea, coffee, cake & more
All proceeds to Macmillan
Cancer Support.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Thursday 12 November



Monologue Slam

A showcase of talent
from our students.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Thursday 19 November



Music Showcase

Enjoy an evening of music
including our fantastic
Steel Pans.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Thursday 26 November



Dance Show

An evening of rhythm,
creativity and
outstanding performances.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Thursday 17 December



Norwood Factor

Our much-loved
end of term talent show.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Date TBC



Xmas Fair

Festive fun for all the family
with stalls, refreshments,
Christmas trees and more.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Thursday 28 January (TBC)



Comedy Night

A night of laughs with
brilliant comedians.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Thursday 11 February



Steel Pans Valentine's Ball

A unique and lively
evening of music.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Wednesday 24 March



Spring Music Showcase

More brilliant performances
from our students.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Thursday 27 May



Battle of the Bands

Our student bands
hit the stage.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Thursday 24 June



So You Think You Can Dance

Our students take to the stage
for another fantastic showcase.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Tuesday 13 July



PAPAS – Performing Arts Awards

Celebrating the talent and
creativity of our students.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Wednesday 14 July



Summer Music Festival

Live music, food, fun and
our famous bar.

FONS BAR | FONS FUNDRAISER

Thank you
for your support!

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