



NEWSLETTER

GOSPEL VALUE
OF THE TERM:
TRUTH

*"He has committed some work to me which he has not committed to another.
I have my mission-"
Advent Term 2*

Value of the
Month: November
DIVERSITY

Year 3: Exploring our Local Area



Year 3 had a really interesting morning walking around the local area looking at land usage, children were able to compare different types of buildings, looking at flats, houses and bungalows. They also found the local shops and recreational areas as well as small businesses such as the dentist and care homes, we discussed why there were only a few shops and no large public buildings. Children then returned to school and put their maths skills to use making bar charts from the data they had gathered. Year 3 are looking forward to next week when they will be taking a walk down Spalding high street to compare the land usage in the two areas.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK...

Kindness Week

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23)

When you think of kindness, what comes to mind? An encouraging note sent by a friend? A caring shoulder to cry on? Or maybe chocolate brownies fresh from the oven? Whatever you think about, it most likely includes a warm fuzzy feeling. Kindness just does that. No wonder it's a fruit of the Spirit. When we're kind, others get to experience that warmth, and whether they realize it or not they're experiencing some of God's character. How did the kindness of God appear? Through the life of Jesus Christ. That's the greatest, most complete picture of kindness we'll ever know. God saw a whole lot of hurt, brokenness and despair. He saw people with no hope of breaking free from pain and suffering. And so he sent his Son to the rescue. The focus for Anti-Bullying/Kindness Week was "The change starts with us." What small acts of kindness can you do to spread the love of God to others?

Right of the month for November 2019



Article 7: You have the right to a legal name and nationality and to be cared for by your parents.

School News



Advent 1: Encounter with us

It is Bishop Patrick's vision that every church, chaplaincy, school and home in our Diocese will be a place where people can encounter Jesus. We are being called to encounter and re-encounter Jesus and his love for us. We are called to discover and rediscover Jesus and the call to follow him. Our school exists so we can present the Good News to you our families in engaging and transforming ways. How will you Encounter Christ this term? Perhaps share as a family the Wednesday Word, join us for Wednesday Worship or Mass in our Parish Church.

"Were not our hearts burning within us"

Weekly Mission: Encounter through exploring Mary and the Saints. As a family watch Pope Francis when he visits Auschwitz and prays in the cell where Maximillian Kolbe was kept. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1k9rt4yWfzY>

Worship Together

We have come together as a school family this week to celebrate Year 1 Collective Worship focused on Commitment and Vocation. Join us next Wednesday at 1:30pm alongside Fr. Jim to celebrate Universal Children's Day with a whole school Liturgy . All are Welcome!

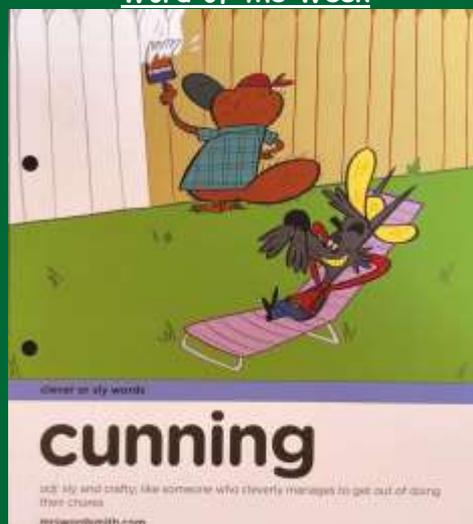
Global Goals Focus

Year 5 have been thinking about the letter from Pope Francis 'Laudito Si', which asks us all to think about how we share a common home- Earth, and should look after it. This links to the Sustainable Global Goals and how we can make a difference to our planet. We started our learning journey by thinking about what inequalities there are in the world. Linking to our Maths learning we started looking at world statistics and matching them to statements. Some of the results shocked us. Did you know that the number of people that have had to leave their homes due to war is more than the number of people living in the United Kingdom! That is like England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales being empty of people! Although we realized that we cannot instantly solve these problems, we can do little things to help. Eventually little ways add up to a big change- St Therese taught us that! Over the coming year we are going to learn more about some of the sustainable goals and more ways that we can help make a change to create a fairer, healthy planet- keeping it the way God intended.

Football News

Last Friday, we took part in our next match in the Elite Sports Academy League against Spalding Primary School and it was a tough match. We played forward to try and create an attack for us to score a goal. They pressed us and played around us but I scored my first goal to make it 1-0. They soon equalised. The game finished 6-4 to Spalding Primary School but we all played well and enjoyed ourselves. Report by Nojus and Marcel.

Word of the Week



Year of the Word

On Monday the 11th of November members of the Nottingham Catholic Diocese Youth Service visited St. Norbert's to deliver some very special bibles to mark the Year of the Word. The bibles will be a lifelong gift given to our EYFS children during a special Liturgy at the beginning of Advent. Each bible will be blessed and marked with the recipient's name, making it a very special gift to begin their own journey in faith with the Word of God. We look forward to sharing the dates of this special Liturgy and inviting you to join us in celebrating with the children.

THANKYOU!

Dates For Your Diary:



National Non-Fiction Month **NOVEMBER**

<http://fcbg.org.uk/national-non-fiction-november/>

Saturday 16th November: 12:00PM-4:00pm- Christmas Fair at St. Norbert's Church. Come along for Festive Fun!

Monday 18th November:

Rehearsal's for Nativity and KS2 Carol Concert begin!

Tuesday 19th November:

Whole School Professor Bubble's Workshops

Guitar Lessons

Wednesday 20th November:

Piano Lessons

UN Universal Children's Day

1:30PM Children's Day Liturgy

6pm PTA Meeting

Thursday 21st November:

Friday 22nd November:

Writes in school photographs for school website

Hockey Tournament after school: Surfleet



Priorities for School Improvement for 2019-2020:

Key Improvement 1: Catholic Life of the School -SMSC To improve the quality of the R.E. teaching so that it is consistently good / outstanding in all classes. *Article 14: You have the right to choose your own religion and beliefs. Your parents should help you decide what is right and wrong, and what is best for you.*

Key Improvement 2: Quality of Education Improve the quality of teaching in order to increase rates of progress and raise standards for all groups of pupils. *Article 3: All adults should do what is best for you. When adults make decisions, they should think about how their decisions will affect children.*

Key Improvement 3: Personal Development To improve the personal development of all pupils *Article 29: Your education should help you use and develop your talents and abilities. It should also help you learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people.*

Key Improvement 4: Leadership and Management Develop the effectiveness of all middle and senior leaders *Article 6: All children have the right to life and develop healthily. Article 28: All children and young people have a right to a primary education, which should be free. Discipline in schools should respect children's human dignity. Young people should be encouraged to reach the highest level of education they are capable of.*

Key Improvement 5: Outcomes for children and learners. To improve the teaching of English in order to raise standards of attainment and rates of progress for all pupils across the school. *Article 13: You have the right to find out things and share what you think with others, by talking, drawing, and writing or in any other way unless it harms or offends other people.*

Pupil of the Week

EYFS- Sydney – great phonics work, hearing sounds in words.

Year 1- Toby, for helping other children with their lines in our class worship.

Year 2-David for excellent engagement in lessons and showing confidence with speaking in class

Year 3-Aidan for his positive attitude towards his learning this week especially on our geography field trip.

Year 4- Nicole for working really hard in class with her writing and helping her friend in gymnastics.

Year 5- Noor for excellent creative writing in English, with great vocabulary choices and use of personification.

Year 6-Maria for her thoughtful and caring attitude in designing, creating and organising a card to celebrate the tremendous success of Yr1's class worship this week.



The Heart that See's Award

Each week the pupils can all nominate their peers for this award, for those acts of mercy and kindness. Nominations are placed in the heart that sees box in the hall and a weekly winner selected.



Chloe Y1 was nominated because according to the person that nominated her, "She is so kind and caring."

Attendance

Remember as we start the school year our school target is 97% and anything below **90% is Persistent Absence and can result in a fixed penalty notice.** We are also required to report any families to the local authority whose children have had 10 consecutive days absent from school or any that take unauthorised/absence or holiday.

EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
97.7%	99.6%	98.6%	94%	99.3%	98.6%	99%

EYFS Message

Norbert Bear is off on his adventures to Levon's and his family's house for a fun weekend with her the family. If you wish to follow Norbert Bear on his adventures, follow him @NorbertBear1



Remembrance

Thank you for supporting the British Legion with all your kind donations, we held a beautiful service on Monday with Deacon Dennis. We will remember them...



Health and Well-Being

Please see below link for the 'beat the bugs' website, with the cold weather approaching and illness in children beginning to rise, this website offers advice to parents/carers and practical games for children to help them with prevention. There are also information sheets. <https://www.e-bug.eu/beat-the-bugs>

Safeguarding Messages: Working together to stay safe!



JRSO Message

<http://link.direct.gov.uk/education/early-years-and-primary/parents/T-to-Ts/Be-bright-be-see/>

E-Safety

Visit our E-Safety page on the school website. <http://www.st-norberts.lincs.sch.uk/e-safety.asp>
<https://www.nsws.gov.au/it> or download the Net Aware app for android and iOS.



Make sure your child knows what to do if they come across cyberbullying. Encourage them to be an upstander not a bystander with the Stop, Speak, Support code. Developed by the Royal Foundation, we've been working in partnership with a coalition of organisations, including O2, and young people themselves. The code gives advice on how to respond to online bullying. Use the link below:

https://www.npsa.org.uk/preventing-abuse/child-abuse-and-neglect/bullying-and-cyberbullying/3/3m_sources/4/dest/adultm_mediums/small/4/ctm_content/Video/4/ctm_campaigns/12/017_cam_netaware_LFS
Top Tips for safer digital living!

1. **Prioritise Safety-** Teach children not to give out personal information, like their name, address, telephone number, or which school they go to. Think about what YOU share about your child on social media too!
2. **Set Parental Controls-** Agree a list of websites and apps your child is allowed to visit, and remember to check the minimum age limit on services like Facebook or YouTube.
3. **Discuss their activities-** Take an interest in their online world. Talk to them about their favourite websites, videos, and online friends.
4. **Set Boundaries-** Establish time limits for activities such as using the internet and game consoles. Make sure to set side time for "unplugged" family activity.
5. **Be open-** Let your child know that they can tell you about anything that happens on the internet, and that you'll listen without judgment



House point Dojo Points

1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place	4 th Place
St.Bernadette 373	St.Dominic 328	St.Lucy 283	St.Francis 282

Prayers Please!

Let's take time to pray...

Pope Francis has declared Sunday 17 November 2019 to be the third World Day of the Poor. On World Day of the Poor we are called to open our arms with love for people living in poverty and to recognise Christ in our sisters and brothers throughout the world.

For a better world

Generous God, we thank you: For the gifts you have given us, the abundance of your Creation, and the beauty that surrounds us.

For the people whose lives have touched ours, for the love they show, the burdens they lift, the hopes we share.

Compassionate God, we ask you: to fill us with your love, to place in our hearts a spirit of courage, to move us to reach out to others in need.

And lead us to play our part, so that now and in generations to come all your children may share in our hope for a better world.

We ask this through Christ our Lord,
Amen.



Mrs.J.Withers (Head of School)