

SHARING THOUGHTS FREELY



School News



Lent 1



Lent 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 or use the booking system to attend Mass at St. Norbert's Church safely, stewards are on hand to help and support.

Discipleship

Our theme for this term is discipleship: Being a disciple means following a teacher or way of life. It reminds us that to follow Jesus we have to live like him and shape our lives in a way that reflects who he was and what he taught.

Every Catholic School has a Mission Statement - words, sentences or phrases that remind us what our calling is as followers of Christ.

Our Mission Statement: a love of God, a love of one another and a love of life itself

Weekly Mission: Why not start the new year volunteering time and contributing to an organisation?



Next week's Ordo Theme- This week we celebrate the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes. When Our Lady appeared to St. Bernadette, she called people to wash in the water, to repent and find healing. Today millions of people visit Lourdes looking for the same peace and healing in their lives. There have been many miraculous healings in Lourdes over the years and we too can look for healing in our lives through faith. That healing is not always physical, sometimes it can be mental or emotional too and we celebrate this beautiful feast let us think about the things we need healing from and how we can bring healing to others.

Visit the NDCYS YouTube channel to find out more

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP-eQ-INx4RDYRhy8K6P8Q>



Press Start! Game On, Super Rabbit Boy!- Thomas Flintham

Aimed specifically at early readers, this super-fun colourful and accessible story will appeal to young gamers, and any child who enjoys simple yet engaging books.

You Are History- Greg Jenner

A fun and riotous introduction to world history through fifty objects children encounter in everyday life.

The Storm Swimmer- Clare Weze

When Ginika meets a boy who lives in the sea, they strike up a secret friendship - but what will happen when he gets ill? A very exciting, unusual and truly imaginative adventure story which is expertly told.

WRITING CHALLENGE

The Big Green Poetry Machine | Poetry Competition | 5-11 Years - Closing date: Friday 10th February 2023



Let's start 2023 the way we mean to go on... by becoming eco poets and helping to share views about nature and the environment!

With climate change being a focus in education & across the globe, it's a fantastic opportunity for your child to share their thoughts on the world around them.

Poems can be in any style and link to the environment in many cross-curricular ways, from litter, pollution and wildlife, to sustainability, conservation or exploring nature & local landscapes.

Get your child engaged with caring for the environment and creating a better world for their future by writing a poem and giving their young voice a chance to be heard.

For further resources and information visit - <https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/competitions>



Dates For Your Diary: See school website for Diary

February-I will remember Christ is the light of the world and let my light shine.

ORDO: HEALING

Monday 6th February - **Week 5 Ordinary Time St.Paul Miki and his companions**

Parent Consultation Evening 3.30pm - 6.20pm

Tuesday 7th January - **Week 5 Ordinary Time**

Parent Consultation Evening 3.30pm - 5.20pm

Wednesday 8th February- **Week 5 Ordinary Time**

St.Jerome Emilian St. Josephine Bakhita

Year 6 Class Mass - Parents welcome 9am - 9.30am

Thursday 9th February- **Week 5 Ordinary Time**

Last Day of Term finish at 3.15pm

Term 4 begins on Monday 20th February 2023 at 8.45am

Magnet to mop ocean microplastic



ENVIRONMENT Australian scientists have announced a breakthrough in the effort to rid the world's oceans of microplastics with a fast, cheap and sustainable magnetic material that can pull particles to its surface

Marine fossil a rare find from head to tail



ANIMALS Fossil hunters have uncovered a rare 100-million-year-old marine specimen, the first elasmosaur head and body found in Australia

Last Tassie tiger kept in cupboard



ANIMALS It's been a long night at the museum for the last known Tasmanian tiger after its missing remains were discovered in a cupboard 85 years since the skin and skeleton vanished from view

Find out more at <https://www.kidsnews.com.au/science>

DT -

This week practice using cross stitch. Follow the tutorial video

https://content.twinkl.co.uk/resource/31/2f/t-d-1636469714-cross-stitch-sewing-video-tutorial-textiles_ver_1.mp4?token=exp=1645718590~acl=%2Fresource%2F31%2F2f%2Ft-d-1636469714-cross-stitch-sewing-video-tutorial-textiles_ver_1.mp4%2A~hmac=12b48b03150a2e3fa8b3c25b1e4db09b91434bf3af222295ca72648de7ac0f7c

Pupil of the Week

EYFS- Lavinia - Excellent use of phonics to blend and read words during our reading sessions.

Year 1- Isaac for amazing effort and progress across the curriculum

Year 2- Fabian for his amazing independent writing this week in English.

Year 3- Amanda for taking such pride in the presentation and quality of her work.

Year 4- Oscar for his fabulous adventure story

Year 5- Petar -for his RE learning this week and for using the learning walls so effectively.

Year 6- Ben for being engaged in all lessons and taking part in class discussions.

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.



Thank you to Mr Harrison who helped complete some caretaking jobs on his health and safety visit to school today- Thank you xxx

Weekly Attendance: % Remember our school target is 97% and anything below 90% is Persistent Absence and can result in a fixed penalty notice.. You must inform us when your child is not attending school if we are unable to make contact we will conduct a home visit. Pupils should be at school by 8:45 to avoid being marked as Late.

EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
90.43%	82.33%	95%	95.33%	93.10%	88.67%	97.33%

Safeguarding Messages: Working together to stay safe!



SAFEGUARDING

If you are concerned about a child or need help and support do not hesitate to contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Withers and Deputies Mrs. Hibbert and Mr. Morton.

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Working together to safeguard and promote the welfare of children



E-Safety

Visit our E-Safety page on the school website: <http://www.st-norberts.lincs.sch.uk/e-safety.asp>
<https://net-aware.org.uk> Or download the Net Aware app for android and iOS.
https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/child-abuse-and-neglect/bullying-and-cyberbullying/?utm_source=Adesradetm_medium=email&utm_content=Video&utm_campaign=121017-com-netaware_LF5

The internet is essential in 21st century life for education, business and social interaction. As our children move up through the school their access to various types of technology increases and it stands to reason that their exploration and curiosity increases too. The positives of the digital world overwhelmingly outweigh the negatives but our children and parents all need to be aware of various online risks. We would like to draw your attention to the following weblinks to help share and support our online safety message across the school and help keep your children safe whilst they research, access learning or practise their skills online.

<https://youtube.com/XQ-Itg8V3e/k>
<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/apps-guide/>
<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/lessie-and-friends/>
<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/band-runners/>

Are your children using electronic devices and accessing the internet at home? Whatever their age, the link we are sharing below can help you to find out more about what they might be doing online and give you practical advice on the steps you can take as a parent to keep them safe in their digital world. Take a moment to look through the website and see what is advised for the ages and stages of your child/children. It is really important that we all work together to keep the children safe online.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/>



Young Minds <https://youngminds.org.uk/resources/school-resources/?f3=10152#listing>

Place to Be <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/schools>

Mentally Healthy Schools hub by Heads Together

https://www.mentallyhealthyschools.org.uk/?utm_source=place2be.org.uk&utm_medium=referral

Our Time <https://ourtime.org.uk/resource/explaining-mental-illness-to-under-11s/>

Prayers Please!

Daily Prayers for Home

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/primary-subscription/prayers-for-home/homeprayer-2020-03-23>

Sunday Liturgy for Families

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/primary-subscription/prayers-for-home/sunday-liturgy-for-families/>

The Wednesday Word is offered to you as a new, weekly, special 5 minutes Family Time together. The Wednesday Word is a gift to families because of their connection with a Catholic school. Wednesday Word Family Time presents an opportunity for even the busiest of parents to enrich relationships with their children through spending a very special 10 minutes together each week. Every Wednesday a 'word', inspired by the coming Sunday's Gospel, will be suggested for families to talk about in the home. It is structured around the Sunday Gospel, because evidence shows that Gospel values really do help family relationships to thrive. The Wednesday Word Family Time leaflet is designed in a family friendly fashion to ensure that all family members feel included. It aims to be informative, enjoyable, and to help families maintain a special closeness throughout the school years. You can download your own copy from your child's MS Teams account where it is shared weekly or directly from their website <http://www.wednesdayword.org/>

God of all light,
 let your light shine in me.
 Whenever I want to run and hide
 give me the courage to act in the darkness,
 to the glory of your name.
 Amen.

The Pope's intention for February : We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

Amen. Mrs.J.Withers (Headteacher)