





ST. NORBERT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

VIRTUE OF THE TERM: HONESTY 'For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? But if we hope for what we do not have, we wait for it patiently.' (Romans8:24-25) The God who speaks- Advent 2

Celebrate God's Word~ Live God's Word~ Share God's Word

Value of the Month: December HONESTY

This Week's Highlights!

-A huge thank you to our PTA 'Friends of St. Norbert's' for two successful Movie Nights this week, it was great fun; we appreciate all the staff and volunteers that gave up their time to run this event.

-It's been a busy week for final rehearsals for the Nativity and KS2 Carol Concert; we look forward to seeing you next week.

-We explored on-line learning again yesterday as school was used as a Polling Station; we were impressed with your efforts - Well Done!

-We have explored the British Value of 'Individual Liberty' this week.

-The Christmas Hamper Raffle draw is almost upon us... The draw will take place on the last day of term lots of amazing goodies to be won. If you have not yet bought tickets you will be able to purchase them at the performances next week.

-A fantastic effort with Christmas Jumper Day - well done for taking part...its beginning o look a lot like Christmas.

-Year 6 visited Tonic Health Dementia Café for some fantastic Carol singing to spread cheer - Well Done! Community Spirit in action.

Breakfast Club with Discovery Sports Coaching is now approaching its 6th week, it's been great to see more and more families accessing and benefiting from this provision and the children have loved the activities on offer which have ranged from crafts, drawing Lego and Sports. A big thank you to Mrs Nespoli, Mr McManus, Mrs Quince and Mrs Wilson for all the effort so far! If you would like to book your child's place then please visit discoverysportscoaching.co.uk/bookings. If you hadn't heard already we now have a community football session on site every Saturday morning during term time. Discovery Sports Coaching deliver these sessions from 10-11 o'clock, for children in reception through to year 6. Aimed at introducing children to football and developing existing skills it is a great to keep your children active during the weekend. Sessions are open to all local children, not just those who attend St Norbert's. If you would like to book your child's place then please visit discoverysportscoaching.co.uk/bookings.

PE Challenge

Can you Climb the Mountain this week? This week's 60 second challenge is looking for a Gold medalist to complete 50 Mountain climbs in 60 seconds. Can you do it? Could mum or dad do it? Why not have a challenge this weekend and see if you can make it to gold. Who will we crown next week as our Mountain Climb winner! Please send in your photos or video clips of you completing the challenge.

Maths Challenge

Can you use mathematical vocabulary and reasoning skills to answer this week's Maths Challenge? A good understanding of mathematical vocabulary is so important when tackling a variety of calculations!

Bring your answers to Mrs Fairbanks!!



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- Multiples of 8 are also multiples of 4

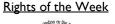
It's the knock-out stages and I will waiting and watching anxiously to see how England perform on Saturday evening against France, whether you follow football or not I hope you find time to relax and have fun as a family this weekend. On the third week of Advent this Sunday we light the next candle representing 'Joy'- the pink candle also called the Shepherds Candle.

With Prayers and Blessings

Mrs Withers \times

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK...

This is the Third Sunday of Advent, known as Gaudete Sunday, or Joy Sunday. For this reason we light the pink candle on our Advent wreath, which symbolises joy. Now that Christmas is getting closer the light is getting brighter with three candles lit. John the Baptist was getting excited to hear of the marvellous things that Jesus was doing. Why did he send his followers to Jesus? What did his followers see and hear? How would they have felt as they witnessed all these miracles happening? What are the things that hinder you from welcoming Jesus with joy and hope this week? Where do you see the church being a presence of Jesus in the world today, and being 'good news' to people who are in need. During the week find a way of bringing 'good news' to someone.





Lord, we look forward to Christmas with excitement and hope and joy. Help us to share the good news with others. Amen





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 Encounter Chellenge: Can you bring items to support our HUR TN HUR OUT collection for church 200 you isin us at church for Tuesday 13th for our KS2 Carel

Encounter Challenge: Can you bring items to support our HUB IN HUB OUT Collection for church?Can you join us at church 6pm Tuesday 13th for our KS2 Carol Concert?

Next week's Ordo Theme-



The third week in Advent is centered on Joy. We celebrate Gaudete Sunday to remind us of the joy of Christmas that is almost here. It's a great chance to think about what brings us joy in our lives and to give thanks for it. It's also an opportunity to reflect on how we can bring joy to those around us and make the world around us a more joyful place for everyone!

Visit the NDCYS YouTube channel to find out more

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP-_eQ-INxAhDYRhy8KdP8Q

Recommended Reads



The Grumpus and his Dastardly, Dreadful Christmas Plan- Alex T. Smith

The Grumpus hates Christmas. Will he be able to stop it? A beautifully illustrated, heart-warming festive delight.

Operation Nativity - Jenny Pearson

When the Archangel Gabriel inadvertently blasts several members of the nativity into a present-day Hampshire village, siblings Oscar and Molly embark on an epic quest to return them to Bethlehem and save Christmas. Bursting with humour, energy and plenty of heart, this entertaining tale is guaranteed to get readers in the festive mood.

Humbug: The Elf Who Saved Christmas- Steven Butler

Featuring tons of reindeer poo, stolen mince pies, the fiercest grandma ever, a contrary reindeer, a flying wheelie bin and a riotous and irreverent look at the festive season, this is a book that, at its core, is about the true meaning of Christmas.

<u>Discovery Coaching</u>-Please use the link below to book onto Breakfast Club or Saturdays Football Club

<u>The Magic Door | Creative Writing Competition</u> <u>Closing Date: Friday 23rd December 2022</u>

What is behind the magic door?

A World Cup match	n a book or fairytale	Anywhere in the world
📌 On the moon	🜟 Under the sea	🛨 Pudding Lane
🛨 On the Titanic	🜟 On a pirate ship	
🛧 Anywhere in time	★ In space	A winter wonderland

The Magic Door is here to engage your child with story writing, so the theme is open making it easy to inspire them with something they are interested in or you can easily tailor the resources to your current topic if home educating.

The colourful worksheet makes it easy to get planning and write a story. Where will the magic door take your child? Who will they meet? What will they experience? Stories can be fictional or based on a recount of a real event, set anywhere in time or space, or even a whole new world. For children with a creative flair, they'll love the freedom, and more reluctant writers will feel supported by using a familiar topic or recount. Let's get writing and see where the magic door takes your child...

Geography Fiery Volcano facts

1. Volcanoes can be a variety of shapes.

These geographical wonders come in various shapes and sizes, but there are two main types composite volcanoes, which are cone-shaped with steep slopes, and shield volcanoes, which are wide with gentle slopes.

2. Magma and lava are two different things!

Magma is the name given to hot liquid rock inside a volcano. Once it leaves the volcano, it's known as lava.

3. Volcanoes don't just occur on land.

They can be found on the ocean floor and under ice caps, too!

4. Lava from a volcano can reach 1,250°C!

Lava is so hot it can burn everything in its path. If you used a glass thermometer to take the temperature it would melt!

5. The world's largest active volcano is Mauna Loa in Hawaii.

Standing a whopping 4,169m tall, this geological giant last erupted in 1984.

Source and for more facts: https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/geography/physical-geography/volcano-facts/



Dates For Your Diary: See school website for Diary December-During Advent I will get ready for Jesus' coming. ORDO: JOY

Monday 12th December - Week 3 Advent 'Cinderella' Panto trip at South Holland Centre - book your child's place via Parentpay. EYFS & KS1 Nativity - starts 5pm (entry by ticket only)

Tuesday 13th December - Week 3 Advent EYFS & KS1 Nativity - starts 2.15pm (entry by ticket only) KS2 Carol Concert - starts 6pm at St Norbert's Church

Wednesday 14th December- Week 3 Advent Christmas Lunch - booked via The Farm Kitchen Thursday 15th December- Week 3 Advent Friday 16th December- Week 3 Advent Last day of Term - children finish at 3.15pm

New Term starts Wednesday 4th January 2023

DT Challenge



Science



Sun Flashes A Goofy "Smile" For

Halloween



Children With Cerebral Palsy



Fossils Of Terrifying Monster Sea Lizard Found in Morocco







Newly-Found T. Rex Ancestor Had Spiked Horns Around Its Eyes Read news article

Bumble Bees Like To Play With Toys Too!

Researchers Uncover How Burmese Pythons Swallow Enormous Prey Read news articl

Find out more at https://www.dogonews.com/category/science

Pupil of the Week

EYFS- Antonia for a beautiful Nativity scene created with art and craft materials.

Year 1- Frankie-Mae for trying hard in her lessons this week especially handwriting and spelling.

Year 2- Joshua for his excellent eye for detail when organising and improving his RE and DT learning.

Year 3- Natan for showing his amazing dancing skills in our dance session this week-Well Done!

Year 4- Alice for her wonderful learning in RE.

Year 5- Perry for his super reading in class this week.

Year 6- Nicola for being engaged in the lesson and excellent understanding of the RE topic.

The Heart that See's Award

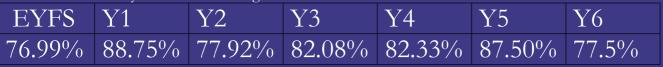
Each week the pupils can all nominate their peers for this award, for those acts of mercy and kindness.



Thank you to Year 6, Mrs Szczygiel, Mrs Beavis and Mrs Barratt for visiting Tonic Health Dementia Cafe this week to provide entertainment through Carol Singing, this brings much joy and is very much appreciated by the wider community- 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. 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 un-authorised/absence or holiday. 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 8:55 to avoid being marked as Late.





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. jenna.withers@st-norberts.lincs.sch.uk sarah.hibbert@st-norberts.lincs.sch.uk sam.morton@st-norberts.lincs.sch.uk Working together to safeguard and promote the welfare of children



Safeguarding Messages: Working together to stay safe!

E-Safety

Visit our E-Safety page on the school website. http://www.st-marbents.lincs.sch.uk/e-safety.csu

https://ret-aware.org.uk ur download the Net Aware.opp for anarolo and 105.

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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://www.internetmatters.org/resources/apps-guide/ https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/jessie-and-triends/ https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/jessie-and-triends/

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.

As we approach the Christmas period and festive holidays please could you share and discuss with your children the need to be 'SMART' when they are online. Share the poster and discuss with your child/children the importance of keeping themselves safe when they are online and if something happens that they are not sure about to let an adult know immediately. Together we can all keep the children safe this festive season.



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

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

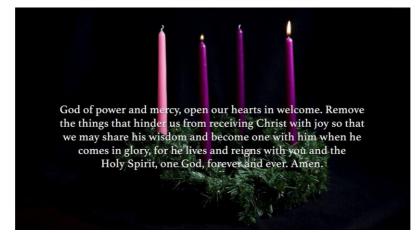
Mentally Healthy Schools hub by Heads Together

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 <u>https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/primary-subscription/prayers-for-home/homeprayer-2020-03-23</u> Sunday Liturgy for Families https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/primary-subscription/prayers-for-home/cunday-liturey-for-formilies/

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/



Amen. Mrs.J.Withers (Headteacher)