



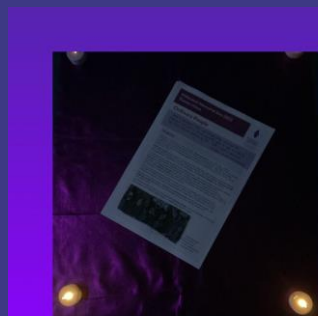
ST. NORBERT'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

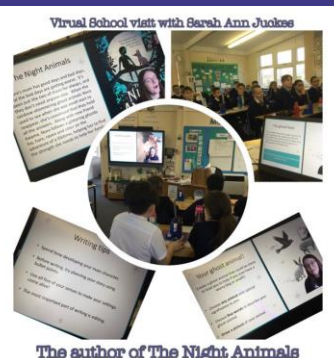
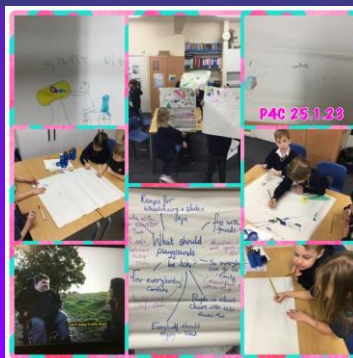
VIRTUE OF THE
TERM:
PATIENCE

'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.' (Romans 8:24-25)
The God who speaks- lent 1
Celebrate God's Word~ Live God's Word~ Share God's Word

Value of the
Month: January
SELF-DISCIPLINE



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The author of The Night Animals

This Week's Highlights!

- We have reflected upon and explored Holocaust Memorial Day in worship today, sharing a beautiful picture book 'The cat who lived with Anne Frank'.
- Some fantastic experiences in Year 4, 5 and 6 with their virtual author visit with Sarah Ann Jukes.
- We have explored the British Value of 'Democracy' this week.

Dan's Big Fat Online Safety Quiz 7th February 6-7pm

Safer Internet Day 2023 the theme is Want to talk about it? Making space for conversation about life online. We want children to know the struggles as adults that we had at their age? Did you own a Nokia 3310? Master of snake? Was the first social media platform you used Friend's re-united or MSN Messenger? Equally let your children teach you about the latest apps, games and TikTok trends....

As part of Safer Internet Day 2023 we are having a Virtual quiz over TEAMS. We want Parents/Carers and their children to join forces. Form the ultimate team and prove that you are the most knowledgeable family in LINCOLNSHIRE. You will be tested on the latest apps and games and perhaps some old school technology! To book on click the link. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/dans-big-fat-online-safety-quiz-tickets-523487935507>

Discovery Coaching

Breakfast Club-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](https://discoverysportscoaching.co.uk/bookings)

I wish you a peaceful and relaxing weekend with your families and we join our prayers on 'Racial Justice Sunday' hoping for a world in which we can experience peace, love and equality.

With Prayers and Blessings

Mrs Withers x

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK...

If you could have anything you wanted to make you happy, what would you choose? How long to do you think you would feel happy? Some people spend all their lives trying to find the secret of happiness. Often they look for fame and fortune, but these things can still leave people feeling empty. Jesus wanted his followers to know about the things that make us truly happy forever. He gives us a picture of the qualities that God desires his people to have. These are sometimes called the 'Beatitudes', which means blessed or happy.

Who do you know who embodies one of the beatitudes? Which of the beatitudes touches you most deeply at this present moment? Recall a personal experience of loss that illustrates for you the impermanent or unsatisfying nature of human happiness. What message did you take from your suffering? During this week identify and consciously practice at least one way of showing humility in your daily life. It might be something like avoiding contradicting others, or not making excuses, or respecting other people's opinions.

Lord, Jesus shared the secret of everlasting happiness with us. Help us to live by your values and share this happiness with others.
Amen

Rights of the Week





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

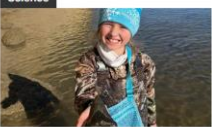


Weekly Mission: Why not start the new year volunteering time and contributing to an organisation? Even things like completing the Big Bird Watch RSPB would involve you giving up your time for a cause.

CARE

Next week's Ordo Theme- On Thursday we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This commemorates when Mary and Joseph would have presented Jesus to God at the temple and made an offering for him. It reminds us that Mary and Joseph looked out for Jesus and took care of him, just as many people take care and look after us too. Think this week about who takes care of you and who you take care of. What does it mean to be cared for and what difference can it make to your life?

Visit the NDCYS YouTube channel to find out more

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP-eQ-INx4hDYRhy8K6P8Q>

 <p>Science Nine-Year-Old Fossil Hunter Discovers Massive Megalodon Tooth Read news article</p>	 <p>Science Rare, Green Comet To Make An Appearance Starting This Week Read news article</p>	 <p>Science Camera Footage Captures Octopuses Throwing Debris At Each Other Read news article</p>
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Read more at <https://www.dognews.com/category/science>

30 Day Winter Writing Challenge

The MumEducates

 <p>Write a funny story about Santa who lost his way.</p> <p>Day 2</p> <p>Write 5 things you like and dislike about winter.</p> <p>Day 7</p> <p>Write a diary entry whilst sitting cosily in your duvet.</p> <p>Day 11</p> <p>Write about your favourite winter holiday destination.</p> <p>Day 16</p> <p>Write about the best Christmas present you received.</p> <p>Day 21</p> <p>Write a recount of your favourite last year memory.</p> <p>Day 26</p>	<p>Write a story about a snowman who loves summer.</p> <p>Day 3</p> <p>Do some research on the North Pole. Make a fact file about it.</p> <p>Day 8</p> <p>Go for a walk. Write 5 things you noticed that are different from summer.</p> <p>Day 13</p> <p>Write about a fairy wand you find in your cupboard.</p> <p>Day 18</p> <p>Write about a favourite character you read in a book.</p> <p>Day 23</p> <p>Write a new ending for the book you just read.</p> <p>Day 28</p>	<p>Make a grocery list with your parents.</p> <p>Day 4</p> <p>Write about your favourite winter sport.</p> <p>Day 9</p> <p>Write a letter to your friend.</p> <p>Day 14</p> <p>Write about what you can see outside your window.</p> <p>Day 19</p> <p>Write a hilarious story about a grumpy elf.</p> <p>Day 24</p> <p>What do you wear in winter? Make a list of winter clothing.</p> <p>Day 29</p>	<p>Write 5 things that are blue.</p> <p>Day 5</p> <p>Write a list of your favourite winter movies.</p> <p>Day 10</p> <p>Describe the weather today. How does it make you feel?</p> <p>Day 15</p> <p>Write a horror story about a wet winter night.</p> <p>Day 20</p> <p>Why is December different in Australia than in the UK? Research and then write a short paragraph.</p> <p>Day 25</p> <p>Write about how to make hot chocolate.</p> <p>Day 30</p>
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Dates For Your Diary: See school website for Diary
January-I will follow Jesus as the wise men followed the star.

ORDO: Challenge

Monday 29th January - *Week 4 Ordinary Time*

Tuesday 30th January - *Week 4 Ordinary Time* *St.John Bosco Priest*

Wednesday 1st February- *Week 4 Ordinary Time*

Thursday 2nd February- *Week 4 Ordinary Time* *The presentation of the Lord-Feast*

Friday 3rd February- *Week 4 Ordinary Time* *St.Ansagar St. Blaise*

Y5/6 Hockey Tournament - invited children only

PTA Valentine's Ball - £3 - return slip by Monday 30th Jan

EYFS & KS1 - 3.15pm to 4.30pm

KS2 - 4.45pm to 6.00pm



The Midnight Panther - Poonam Mistry

A stunning book, full of magnificent, decorative artwork, with a powerful message: we are all glorious in our own way.



The Whale Watchers- Dougie Poynter

Can Finn and his new friend Skye save the beached minke whale? A charming story about how you can make a difference to the planet, no matter how small you are.

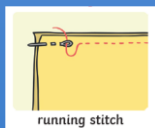


Scared?- Neal Zetter and Joshua Seigal

A vibrant collection of funny, thoughtful and inventive poems, perfect for sharing in the classroom and for reading aloud.

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I hope you have enjoyed trying some of the cookery skills. This week I'm going to move onto textiles. Practice using this stitch.



Pupil of the Week

EYFS- Lavinia – great phonics skills, blending and segmenting,

Year 1- Sofia for excellent effort and progress in all areas of learning

Year 2- Eleanor for fantastic learning in English - Great Work!

Year 3- Ethan for focusing well in his Maths learning.

Year 4- Adam for his progress in writing

Year 5- Ollie for his super effort in all areas of his learning - especially his handwriting!

Year 6- Chloe for being engaged and working hard in all subjects across the curriculum

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.

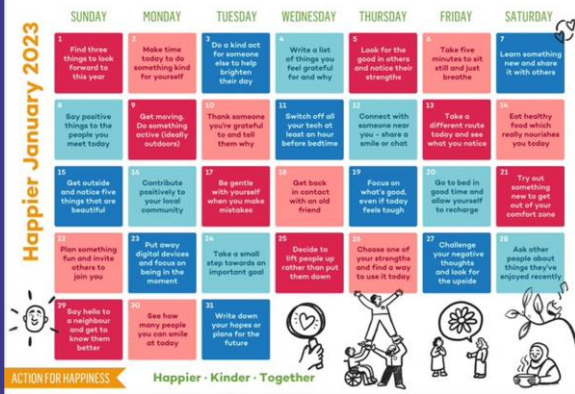


Thank you to Michael in Year 6 this week nominated by Mrs. McMurray she has been so impressed with the care and kindness you have shown to younger children, helping and supporting them- Thank you xxx

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
97.64%	91.18%	98.89%	96.3%	98.47%	94.85%	98.89%

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=Adeschools&utm_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/>

Loving God, you care for each and every human life. All people are cherished as your beloved children, no matter how ordinary or extraordinary their stories are.

Today we come before you to remember the victims of the

Holocaust. We lament the loss of the six million Jews who were killed in the Holocaust, the millions of other victims of Nazi persecution, and

victims of all genocides. May our minds be clear and attentive to their memory, and our hearts be

moved to bear witness to their lives. Help us all to turn away from hatred and division, and to build a world

where genocide is no more. Strengthen us so that we, in our own ordinary ways, may show extraordinary love in the world today.

Amen

The Pope's intention for January: We pray that Educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

Amen. Mrs.J.Withers (Headteacher)