



ST. NORBERT'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

VIRTUE OF THE
TERM:
HONESTY

'May my goodness and honesty preserve me, because I trust in you.' (Psalm 25:21)
The God who speaks- Advent 2
Celebrate God's Word~ Live God's Word~ Share God's Word

Value of the
Month: November
DIVERSITY

Statements to live by....

Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the next few weeks the children will be working together to....

Grow towards human wholeness and develop a healthy life style in the body, mind and spirit and understand the connection between knowledge and living.

Please take the opportunity to discuss with your child at home and support them as they learn about....

- I can tell how I look after myself
- I think before I make choices that affect my health
- I can work, rest and pray each day
- Simple things make us happy

What simple things make each of the family happy?

Statements 9-12

FIREWORKS SAFETY TIPS

HERE ARE OUR TOP TEN TIPS TO KEEPING YOUR CHILDREN SAFE THIS BONFIRE NIGHT.

- NEVER GO NEAR A FIREWORK THAT HAS BEEN LIT**
EVEN IF THE FIREWORK DOESN'T GO OFF, IT CAN STILL EXPLODE. ALWAYS STAY AWAY FROM FIREWORKS AND DON'T TRY TO REPAIR OR REWIND THEM.
- WHEN A SPARKLER GOES OUT, DO NOT TOUCH IT**
IT COULD STILL BE HOT. DO NOT TRY TO PUT IT OUT OR BLOW IT AWAY WITH YOUR HANDS.
- NEVER GIVE SPARKLERS TO A CHILD UNDER FIVE**
ONLY A LITTLE ONE SPARKLER AT A TIME AND TEACH THEM TO KEEP IT AWAY FROM ANY CLOTHING.
- ENSURE CHILDREN ARE NOT WEARING LOOSE CLOTHING**
AS THEY PLAY WITH THE FIREWORKS, CHILDREN SHOULD WEAR SLIM-FITTING CLOTHING.
- KEEP PETS INDOORS**
THE Loud noises of fireworks will scare most pets. Always make sure your pets are indoors and safe.

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This Week's Highlights!

- A fantastic home game for our Footballers against Spalding Primary - thank you to the staff and families that supported and attended, the team showed great resilience.
- We joined Fr Jim for All Saints Mass at St. Norbert's Church on Tuesday -Thank you to all the families that walked with us, we really appreciate it.
- Discovery Coaching Breakfast Club and Active Start provision started this week 7:30-8:30am daily.
- We have explored the British Value of 'Democracy' this week.
- It is Epilepsy Awareness Month (Protected Characteristic-Disability) <https://www.epilepsy.com/volunteer/spreading-awareness/national-epilepsy-awareness-month>
- It is Diabetes Awareness Month (Protected Characteristic-Disability) <https://www.bing.com/ck/a?!cp=a12b285053d72311m0d0M9MTY28zQzYpZD0sNmZlZmYyL1h0d0UyLTZ6NzA1M03NTX8aYWM1MjZlMDEmaW53aWQ2NTIyR0g6ptn-38hsh-38fclid-16f64da-a852-a70-39e2-7536c526c01&pg=diabetes+awareness+month+uk&u=a1d0R0cRM61s-93d3caZG8YmY8ZAMubJ0LaY43d0P9pbmZ6tH7ZC936U5ZC1kaWf7XRicY1kYXk&mb=1>

A Date with Dan: Free TEAMS Online Safety Q and A for Parents and Guardians, 7th December, 6-7pm. Sign up required

Over two thirds of students surveyed in the LSCP 2021 Keeping Safe Online Survey indicated that their parents didn't know everything about their online activities. The survey also showed when parents talked openly to their children about their activity online, those students were less likely to experience cyberbullying and more likely to access support. We want to give you the information and tools to help you feel confident enough to protect your children and young people from online harm. Dan Hawbrook our resident Online Guru will chat you through different apps, online trends, parental controls and any other burning questions you may have! Sign up is required. A Date with Dan Tickets, Wed 7 Dec 2022 at 18:00 | Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-date-with-dan-tickets-429589111597>

CALLING FOUNDATION GOVERNORS

If you are a practising Catholic and interested in helping your community then this is for you! A virtual information session about being a foundation governor in one of our Catholic schools is taking place on Tuesday 22 November from 7.00pm - 8.30pm. Please see the poster sent via email. To reserve your place please contact: Julie Sweeney at the Diocesan Education Service (julie.sweeney@nottingham-des.org.uk).

With Prayers and Blessings
Mrs Withers x

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK...

In today's Gospel the Sadducees wanted to trick Jesus with a difficult question. They were a group of priests who held the most important positions in the Jewish synagogue. They disagreed with most of Jesus' teachings and were annoyed that so many people were listening to him and believing what he told them. Jesus is showing us that our rules only go so far and that his Kingdom is bigger than this world. If we believe in Jesus we see things differently, we see people differently and we act differently. Because we believe that all people are special and loved by God.

How does Jesus help you to think and behave differently?

God of heaven and earth, in this life and the next you are with us. Thank you for protecting us and guiding us as we journey towards you. Amen.

Rights of the Week





Advent 2



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 Challenge: Can you bring items to support our HUB IN HUB OUT? or make a donation?



Next week's Ordo Theme- This week we celebrate the feast of St Martin of Tours. He is famous for literally cutting his cloak to give it to someone in need. His ability to be generous and to look after those around him can inspire us all. Think this week about how you can give to others - what do the people around you need?

Visit the NDCYS YouTube channel to find out more <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCP5...eQ-1N5AH6YRhw8KdP8Q>



Reading

The Forgettery - Rachel Ip

Filled with warmth and gentle humour, The Forgettery is a beautifully written, sensitive look at dementia and memory loss without ever explicitly mentioning either. There is a wonderful playful and affectionate relationship between grandmother and granddaughter.

Rescuing Titanic written and illustrated by by Flora Delargy

Written and beautifully illustrated by debut Northern Irish artist whose grandfather and great grandfather both worked in the Belfast Shipyards where the Titanic was built, this tells in rich detail how the little ship Carpathia saved 705 passengers of the Titanic from the icy waters of the North Atlantic.

A Cat Called Waverley written and illustrated by Debi Gliori

Based upon a true story this is a poignant and uplifting picture book that introduces important social justice topics, such as homelessness and post-traumatic stress disorder, to young readers - as well as the loyalty and value of pets. The mix of graphic novel style images and pencil drawings is both beautiful and effective.

Poetry Challenge - Take your pen on a journey

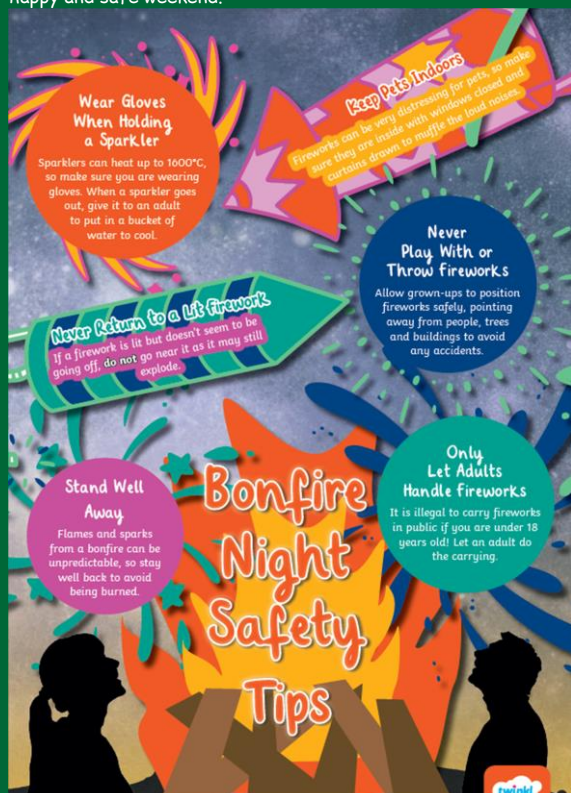


Each week join Waterstones Children's Laureate Joseph Coelho for his Poetry Prompts video - this time, he'll be encouraging you to take your pen on a journey around your imagination. You can also download the supporting resources to help you. Don't forget to tweet any thing you write and tag us at school as well #PoetryPrompts.

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/what-we-do/childrens-laureate/poetry-prompts/#?Dq=AssetOptions-MostRecent&pageNo=1>

PSHCE- Firework Safety.

This weekend many of us will be celebrating Bonfire Night or Guy Fawkes Night with fireworks. Please note the poster below with safety tips for your celebrations. Have a happy and safe weekend.





Dates For Your Diary: See school website for Diary
November- I will remember those who have died and pray for them.

ORDO - GIVING

Monday 7th November - **Week 32 Ordinary Time**
St. Willibrord Bishop

Tuesday 8th November - **Week 32 Ordinary Time**

Wednesday 9th November- **Week 32 Ordinary Time**
Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Feast
Y5 & Y6 Parents RSE presentation - 3.30pm

Thursday 10th November- **Week 32 Ordinary Time**
St. Leo The Great Pope

Friday 11th November- **Week 32 Ordinary Time**
St. Martin of Tours Bishop

Y6 Takeover Day

We work to eradicate discrimination in our school, we learn through British values and our Faith to ensure equality for all. The Protected Characteristics that apply to schools are:
Age; Disability; Gender re-assignment; Marriage and civil partnership;
Pregnancy and Maternity; Race; Religion Faith or Belief; Sex; Sexual orientation.



DT Challenge:

As we start to purchase our poppies for Remembrance Day, could you design a poppy to give to a friend. Maybe it will be a keyring or a model, it could go in the window or on a door. What materials will you need?

Autumn Maths Activity- Stick Numbers



Autumn is a great time of the year to go outside and play with all the fallen leaves and twigs that are scattered around on the ground. What can you collect this weekend on your outdoor adventures?

How many Roman numerals can you make and label with twigs?

Can you create a clock face with twigs?

Create a place value column with twigs and read out lots of different numbers.

Can you create addition and subtraction calculations with twigs?

How many angles can you create and label with twigs?

Pupil of the Week

EYFS- Mylo for excellent listening and participation in all areas of learning.

Year 1- Leo for always being ready for learning and working so hard.

Year 2- Sofia for amazing retrieval answers during this week's recall of learning.

Year 3- Bentley for brilliant work all week.

Year 4- Chloe 100% readiness for learning.

Year 5- Chenumi for all of her contributions and help throughout Year 5.

Year 6- George for fantastic learning in History this week.

Weekly MyMaths Champions Results This week the Champions are Year 5 with over 70 points-Well Done!

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 Aiden in Year 6 who has been absolutely fantastic supporting other children in school and demonstrating an understanding of special educational needs and how he can help others. We are so proud! 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.

EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
87.50%	93.38%	97.79%	98.85%	96.67%	93.21%	97.04%

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



J.R.S.O. Junior Road Safety Officer JRSO Message

<https://thinkdirect.gps.uk/education/early-years-and-primary/parents/7-16-115/Be-bright-be-seen/>

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/Pdfm_sourcesAdestroPdfm_medium=emailPdfm_content=VideosPdfm_campaign=121017.com-netaware_LFS

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/XQHtg8V3eK>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/apps-guide/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/lesson-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/>

The Pope's Intention for November: Children who suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.



Amen. Mrs.J.Withers (Headteacher)