



St. Norbert's



*We strive to nurture and develop the whole child through:
a love of God, a love of one another and a love of life itself.*

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Friday 14th July 2023

VIRTUES AND VALUES

Virtue of the term

Knowledge/Love of learning

Value of the Month

Aspirations

LET US PRAY

Heavenly Father,
we gather to listen to your
words, so that we can learn
to follow your ways. Help us
to understand so that our
hearts and lives are filled
with your love.
Amen.

ARTICLES OF THE WEEK



**EVERYONE MUST
KNOW CHILDREN'S
RIGHTS**

A MESSAGE FROM MRS WITHERS

In EYFS we have enjoyed writing speech bubbles for our new text 'Twist and Hop the Minibeast Bop'. We have rehearsed sentencing using actions and written the story. In maths we have been developing our positional language by designing and creating assault courses. We have put on a show using our puppets we have made from the story of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. We have learnt about bug habitats too!

Year 1 loved making their final cake products this week. After chopping, grating, zesting, baking, modelling decorations and icing- their designs finally came to life. The results were fabulous and delicious! Well done Year 1.

This week in Year 2 we have been learning about Position and direction in Maths and finding out how we can use and apply directions to describe positions of objects. We have also been carrying out our own scientific investigation to see which objects float or sink - we had to make sure it was a fair test and keep the variables the same for each test.

Year 3 have finished their T shirt tie dyeing and are very pleased with their results. They have investigated the effect of adding different mediums together and creating a pattern. They looked at different ways to tie the t shirt to create different effects. Year 3 have also been learning about the British Monarchy.

Year 4 have been exploring coordinates in maths, they have been locating animals in zoos and finding treasure on maps.

This term in Science, Year 5 have been delving deep into the fascinating world of life cycles. This week we investigated mammals and insects to monotremes and amphibians, we have been uncovering some truly super descriptions of these incredible creatures. Be sure to ask your children about fascinating mammals such as echidnas and the platypus (yes - primitive mammals that lay large, yolky eggs!)

A group of Year 6 children this week were invited to a Year 6 to Year 7 Transition Sports Festival at Spalding Grammar School. During the morning the children participated in team activities with children from other schools. Later on in the afternoon they played rounders in teams with children from their new secondary schools. Everyone had a really great time and came back having made new friends and stepped out of their comfort zone to experience something new.

I am delighted to inform you that over the Summer our EYFS and Year 1 classrooms are having a full internal refurbishment so the school will be very busy with builders over the break. I will share photographs once all the work has been finished. If there are any families out there that are able to or know a business that could support us we are looking for two sponsorships to buy an artificial reading tree for EYFS and Year 1 like the one we have in our library. Please speak to me if you think you can help.

Just a reminder as we go into the last two very busy weeks of term, Mrs Wide's last day will be Friday 21st July, if you have anything you would like presenting to her such as cards in our final Leavers Worship please pass on myself or any staff on gate duties. Now is also a good time to start checking the Lost Property Box before we have our big summer clear out.

We are also going to be saying goodbye to Miss Smith our HLTA, next Friday is her last day at St. Norbert's and I am sure you will join me in sending her our thoughts, prayers and best wishes for the future.

Mrs Withers x

GOSPEL REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

Do you like listening to stories? Jesus often told stories to teach people deep truth about God. These stories are called 'parables'. People often needed to go away and think about them before they got the message and understood what Jesus was trying to tell them. Sometimes he had to explain what his parables meant to his friends because even they didn't quite understand either.

We are called to examine ourselves to see what image of ground matches our receptivity to the word of God. Can you recall a time when God's word really connected with you, took root in your heart? Do the Scriptures form a rich source for your own prayer life? How might you improve this in a practical way? You might consider journaling your reflection on a short passage each night. Spend some time with today's reading, recognising a word or phrase that moves you. Share this with a friend. During this week try to be rich soil, not just for the word of God, but for your family and those around you. Look to messages from God in the events of everyday life.



This term we focus on Missionary Discipleship

Spend some time outside this week.

Find somewhere that you think is beautiful and reminds you of how powerful God is, and how much He loves you by making these surroundings for you.

Take some time to be with God and to say thank you.

Awe and Wonder

Fear Of The Lord (Awe and Wonder) is an amazing gift of the Holy Spirit. It's the ability to see the incredible things God has created and not take them for granted. It allows us to recognise the true awesomeness of God and to know that we need to put him first. This week try and look again at those areas in your life that show the true awesomeness of God. How can you celebrate what is really awesome in your life?!

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

**Parent Guides**

The NSPCC offer a range of parent guides that offer information, support and advice in a variety of topics. These include deciding whether they are ready to walk home alone and help with talking about difficult topics. Click [here](#) to have a look at what is available.

E-Safety

Visit our [Online Safety page](#) on the school website which has links to different sources of information.

UK Safer Internet Centre online has lots of interesting information in his latest weekly update. Click [here](#) to read the latest advice on how to stay safe online and with different devices.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

EYFS - Isla for making such progress in phonics! It's a pleasure listening to you read and decoding words for writing!

Year 1 - Zuri for excellent effort in writing.

Year 2 - Zuzanna is pupil of the week for her enthusiasm and enjoyment of our Year 2 learning over the past week.

Year 3 - Hunor for his effort in RE.

Year 4 - Adam for his ability to explain coordinates to friends.

Year 5 - Finley for sharing his super vocabulary in Science this week when discussing life cycles.

Year 6 - Nicola for consistent effort and commitment across the school year.

THE HEART THAT SEES AWARD

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

ATTENDANCE**Well done Year 6 for this week's highest scoring 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 - 97.32%
Year 1 - 88.33%
Year 2 - 99.63%
Year 3 - 98.15%
Year 4 - 96.55%
Year 5 - 93.16%
Year 6 - 100%

WELLBEING

"Connect: Connecting with the people around us is a great way to remind ourselves that we're important and valued by others."

Here are some suggestions for staying connected:

- Arrange to meet people regularly. Monthly dinner dates with friends or join a local interest group.
- Reach out to somebody you've lost contact with. Send them a letter or give them a call to let them know you are thinking about them.
- Take some time to get to know your neighbours. Invite them around for a cup of tea

Useful Websites

[Young Minds](#)

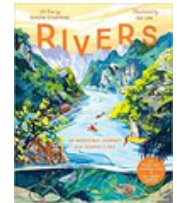
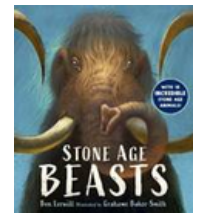
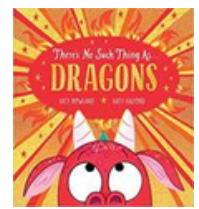
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[Our Time](#)

Recommended Reads Book Awards Winners 2023

READING CORNER



There's No Such Thing as Dragons - Lucy Rowland

When a little boy is told by his grandpa that there's no such thing as dragons, he doesn't believe it for a second. But if the boy has any chance of proving that the mythological beasts are real, he needs proof!

Stone Age Beasts - Ben Lerwill

Three million years ago, humans had just started making stone tools. This was the beginning of the Stone Age, which only ended about 4000 years ago – not very long, in the grand scheme of things.

Narwhal: The Arctic Unicorn - Justin Anderson (non-fiction)

Rivers have always been important to humans, and in fact many cities and towns were built on rivers. Rivers allow people to travel on them, to trade and transport goods, and rivers also keep the land fertile.

COMMUNITY CLUB

For our final week, community club went out and about on the streets of Spalding litter picking. We headed up Pennygate and along Park Road, 'wombling away' happily. The children were quite surprised with how much they managed to pick up in a small space of time. Well done children, you have served the school and local community so well this term. What super stars plus a shout out to Mrs Wilson who came with us this week.



SHOUT-OUT

Well done to Natalie in Year 1 for her recent dance competition where she received two 1st place positions and a 3rd! Well done Natalie



DIARY DATES

Friday 21st July Leavers Assembly 1:30pm
Mrs Wide's last day-Happy Retirement!
End of term Friday 21st July
Term 1 2023-24 - Wednesday 6th September

CURRICULUM FACTS, ACTIVITIES AND CHALLENGES

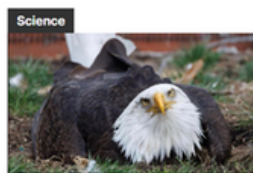
Writing Challenge

Summer Writing Challenge 2020
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Make a bucket list of things you want to do this summer. Date:	Write about your home learning experience. Date:	Go for a nature walk. Write 5 sentences about it. Date:	Write a scary story under the shade of a tree. Date:	Write a letter to your friend or family. Date:
Write tips on how to keep yourself and others safe during COVID-19. Date:	Write description of a garden using 5 senses. Date:	Write a list of instructions on how to wash your hands with soap and water. Date:	Write about the worst holiday of your life. Date:	Write swimming instructions for your younger sibling. Date:
Write a poem about summer. Date:	Write about a new exotic fruit you tasted this summer. Date:	Write about your favourite historical event. Date:	Write about your favourite water game or activity. Date:	Write a recipe of your favourite dish. Date:
Write a book review of your favourite book. Date:	Write about your favourite children's book author. Date:	Write about a magic lamp you found in the woods. Date:	Make a sandwich. Write a list of instructions on how to do it. Date:	Write what you miss the most this summer. Date:
Write a hilarious poem. Date:	Write about a favourite character you read in the book. Date:	Write a shopping list for your parents. Date:	Write about your favourite sport. Date:	Write a mystery story. Date:
Write a new ending for the book you read today. Date:	Write five interesting facts about summer. Date:	Create a fact file of your favourite animal. Date:	Write while sitting on green grass in a park. Date:	Write what you want to achieve in your new class. Date:

Science

Find out more science updates using the [link](#).



Bald Eagle That Tried To Hatch A Rock Finally Gets To Be A Stepdad

[Read news article](#)



Runaway Black Hole Leaves Behind A Trail Of Stars

[Read news article](#)

Can you solve this?

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 \text{Red flower} + \text{Red flower} + \text{Red flower} & = & 60 \\
 \text{Red flower} + \text{Blue flower} + \text{Blue flower} & = & 30 \\
 \text{Blue flower} - \text{Yellow flower} & = & 3 \\
 \text{Yellow flower} + \text{Red flower} + \text{Blue flower} & = & ?
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ROUNDERS

This week our Rounders team took part in the semi-Final match with Eye Primary School to see if they would go through to the final. We had a very close 1st and 2nd quarter with batting and fielding taking equal rounders for both teams. It was all hinged on the 3rd and 4th quarters - Bowling and fielding began with great strength and resolve before Eye Primary broke through our defence and were able to notch up a further four rounders. The final score was 23 - 19 to Eye Primary School - well done to them and a huge achievement to our team for their first ever Semi-Final match.

