

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 21st July 2023

VIRTUES AND VALUES

Virtue of the term
Knowledge/Love of learning

Value of the Month
Aspirations

LET US PRAY

Lord, we are sorry for the times we make mistakes and do wrong things.

Help us to be good and remember what you have taught us.

Amen.

ARTICLES OF THE WEEK





A MESSAGE FROM MRS WITHERS

The children had an excellent three days on their transition into Year 1. They all came back and said they had a lovely time. They are super Year 1 ready!

What an amazing year it has been Year 1. Looking back on our successes and favourite learning, it has been fun, challenging, interesting and full of laughter. Thank you children, Mrs Wilson and I are very proud of you all.

This week in Year 2 we have been discussing and evaluating our Marvellous Fluffy Squishy Itty Bitty sewing designs. We have been looking at the stitching and the quality of the sewing whilst thinking about the finish of the design. We have enjoyed adding googly eyes and sharing our work with Mrs. Bradley.

Year 3 have been investigating pastels and created some great work using a blending technique. They have enjoyed some great multiplication tables games and place value games that they are looking forward to playing again in Year 4

Year 4 had a very creative afternoon yesterday, making eco art pictures with the Year 3s. Fantastic teamwork LKS2. Also well done to Year 4 for a fantastic year, you have all worked extremely hard and we're all very proud.

As we approach the end of this remarkable academic year, it has been a super time to reflect with Year 5, sharing all our learning, memorable experiences and how we have all grown! I couldn't be prouder of them!

Throughout the year, our Year 5 pupils have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to their learning and immense resilience in overcoming challenges. They have proven to be compassionate leaders, supporting one another and making a positive impact in our school community. I know they will carry the valuable lessons and cherished memories with them as they continue their journey through St. Norbert's. Well done Year 5 I will miss you all!

This time of year is always one of mixed feelings as a Year 6 teacher. On the one hand I am full of pride of the young people I have had the pleasure of spending the year with, watching how they have grown academically and personally. Then in contrast, it is with a tear or two, I see them leave and go off into the big wide world of secondary school. Year 6, you have been fabulous- remember to take every new opportunity that comes your way.

I want to start by saying a huge thank you to all of you; the pupils and families for your on-going love and support of our amazing school community. I hope whatever your circumstances over the coming weeks you are able to enjoy some quality family time together.

I want to thank all the staff who work incredibly hard each and every day with a passion and commitment to serve the children and families of this fantastic school. I hope they are able to rest, recharge and prepare for another busy and exciting year.

I want to say a thank you to Miss Smith and send our best wishes as she starts a new adventure at another schoolwe wish you the very best of luck in your new job!

Finally Mrs Wide, what a wonder you have been, we can not express how truly grateful we are for you do and all you have done, you are the beating heart of the school. We hope you enjoy a must deserved retirement and get the time now to enjoy some of your favourite things like getting out in the garden and enjoying long walks. Just know we will all be thinking of you xxxxx

Have a great Summer everyone. If you need me for anything just email me jenna.withers@st-norberts.lincs.sch.uk

Mrs Withers x





Have you ever helped weed the garden? Why does no one like weeds? Today Jesus tells us another parable and wants us to think about what will happen at the end of time to those people who do not listen to him. Like the wheat and the weeds in our reading today, God allows good and bad people to live side by side. God wants to allow bad people a chance to change their ways before the end of time.

It can be hard for us when we are forced to face the imperfections in ourselves, and realise that we are not quite as good or perfect as we would like to believe ourselves. Often it can be harder to accept the faults in ourselves than in other people, but today's message is that we must learn to be patient as we grow in spiritual maturity. Identify some good and some bad aspects of your character. How do you deal with the parts of yourself of which you are ashamed or don't like? What concrete way can you see to weed these out of your character? This week concentrate on one thing you can do to make the kingdom come a little closer in your community / parish.

This term we focus on Missionary Discipleship

Your Mission, as a disciple of Jesus, is to create an opportunity for someone else to encounter God this week so they may feel that same calling to a life with Christ too. Could you share your favourite piece of scripture with someone, and tell them what you have learnt from it about God? Could you research the life of a saint who tried to help people to follow Jesus and see how you can follow his or her example as a Missionary Disciple?

Change

As we finish the school year we can lookback a the things that have changed and look forward to the new opportunities that the future holds. At the transfiguration Jesus showed his disciples a vision of what was to come and we look forward into the unknown we know that Jesus will accompany us.

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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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 - Lavinia for settling well on transition day, showing she is year 1 ready!

Year 1 - Natalie for great determination in extended writing

Year 2 - Marcel is the Pupil of the week for his amazing Design Technology drawings and diagrams.

Year 3 - Bentley for his effort and always trying hard

Year 4- Levana for being 100% committed to all her learning every day of the

Year 5 - Perry for his dedication to learning - going above and beyond

Year 6 - Gabriel for a fantastic year- hard work and dedication to learningfabulous SATs results.



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.

Alex in Year 4 for is amazing support of a friend during transition days

ATTENDANCE

Well done EYFS for this week's highest scoring attendance! EYFS - 99.23%

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.

Year 1 - 90.59% Year 2 - 91.21%

Year 3 - 93.04%

Year 4 - 92.40%

Year 5 - 97.70%

Year 6 - 95.20%



WELLBEING

<u>Useful Websites</u>

Young Minds

Place 2 Be

"Be active: We know that there's a link between staying active and positive mental health and wellbeing.

By making sure we are regularly moving our bodies, we can look after Mentally Healthy our mental and physical health at the same time. Here are some ways to be active:

- Go for a walk during your lunch break or walk to work
- Try activities that bring your focus to the mind-body connection such as yoga or tai chi
- Make time for joyful movement, such as dancing
- Join a local sports club is there a sport you have always wanted to try?

Schools hub by **Heads Together**

Our Time

You're SO Amazing! - James & Lucy Catchpole

Joe loves having fun at the playground with his friends. However, on-lookers insist on viewing one-legged Joe as a source of inspiration. A joyous read and an important reminder that we should all be able to get on with everyday life without comment.

If I Were Prime Minister - Trygve Skaug

If you were prime minister, what new laws would you pass? For one young boy, the possibilities are endless. His new rules range from having libraries open day and night to ensuring that anyone who wanted a dog, or a bicycle, would have one, and grown ups would go to nursery once a month to learn how to play.

Away with Words - Sophie Cameron

This is a relatable, engaging story about friendship, family and dealing with change. It's also a great book for discussions around empathy – the idea of 'spoken words' is difficult to explain but absolutely works in the context of the story, creating themes of communication, the power of words, and the importance of listening.







SPALDING LIBRARY

- Design a Mascot Thursday 27th July 10.00am - 2.00pm Design a mascot on a tote bag and help create a library team flag. No booking required.
- Football Crazy! Thursday 3rd August 10.00am - 2.00pm Join us for a football themed day with crafts and other activites. No booking required.
- Lego, Lego, Lego! Thursday 10th August 10.00am - 2.00pm Do you love Lego? If you do come along to our crafts, activites and games all based on Lego. No booking required.
- Obstacle Challenge Thursday 17th August 10.00am - 2.00pm Can you complete our obstacle course? There will be plenty of fun activites to challenge you and keep you active. No booking required.
- Make a Model day Thursday 24th August 10.00am - 2.00pm Get creative and see what you can make out of air drying clay and junk. All materials will be supplied and there's no booking required.
- Fabulous Food! Thursday 31st
 August 10.00am 2.00pm Unleash
 your inner Paul Hollywood and ice
 your designs on biscuits. Plus
 there will be other food related
 crafts and activites. No booking
 required.

DIARY DATES

Term 1 2023-24 -Wednesday 6th September

CURRICULUM FACTS, ACTIVITIES AND CHALLENGES

Writing Challenge



Holiday Activities

Build a Den

Build the best den ever with our tips and tricks. All you need are some sturdy sticks, leaves that you've found on your wild adventures and some mud to secure it all together, this can be done inside on a rainy day.

Have a Picnio

Perfect picnic places come in all shapes and sizes, from the shade of a tree to a golden sandy beach. You don't have to go far either, your back garden or local park can be just as fun as going further away.

Wear and Make a Wild Crown

It might be useful to take a hairband, length of ribbon or string when setting off to create your crown. You never know what you might find and you may need something to attach it to. You might want to just join some daisies together.

Go stargazing

The big, open skies of the countryside let you see thousands of stars sparkling at night, and summer's a great time to check out the sky above you.

Make a Home for Wildlife

For a simple way to help wildlife, you can make all sorts of animals a place to call home. You could even build them one in your very own outdoor space. All you need are a few items to get you started.

RNLI - FLOAT TO LIVE CAMPAIGN

WE ARE EXCITED TO SHARE WITH YOU THE LAUNCH OF OUR HIGHLY ANTICIPATED FLOAT TO LIVE CAMPAIGN 2023.

THIS CAMPAIGN HAS BEEN METICULOUSLY CRAFTED BASED ON EXTENSIVE RESEARCH REVEALING HOW EVERYONE FLOATS DIFFERENTLY. THIS MEANS THE FLOAT TO LIVE SAFETY MESSAGING HAS BEEN UPDATED AND WE NEED YOUR HELP NOW MORE THAN EVER TO SPREAD THE MESSAGE FAR AND WIDE. HIS CAMPAIGN IS AIMED FOR ALL GENDERS, ETHNICITIES, AND AGE GROUPS. WE KNOW THAT MEN AGED 15-60+ ARE IMPACTED THE MOST. ALARMINGLY, 83% OF UK DROWNINGS ARE MALE, WHILE 40% OF ALL INDIVIDUALS WHO TRAGICALLY LOST THEIR LIVES TO DROWNING IN 2022 HAD NO INTENTION OF EVEN ENTERING THE WATER.

In our website, we have curated a variety of resources to support this initiative. You will find a compelling Float to Live video, inspiring Survival Stories about how floating saved their lives, an easily shareable 30-second social media video, comprehensive instructions on how to float effectively, and much more.

WE BELIEVE THAT SHARING THIS INFORMATION IS CRUCIAL TO SAVING LIVES, AND WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN AMPLIFYING THIS MESSAGE
FLOAT TO LIVE;

HTTPS://RNLI.ORG/SAFETY/FLOAT

HERE ARE OUR SURVIVOR FLOAT TO LIVE STORIES:
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