



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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VIRTUES AND VALUES

Virtue of the term
Friendship

Value of the Month
Patience

LET US PRAY

God, keeper of the vineyard,
the One in whom we trust, hear
the prayers we your children
make to you. Through Christ
our Lord.

Amen.

ARTICLES OF THE WEEK

Subsidiarity and Solidarity CST



A MESSAGE FROM MRS WITHERS

Foundation have been looking at numbers beyond ten, learning that they are made up of one full ten and ones. They have been learning about farm animals and their babies and matching them. They have been writing the story of Rosie's Walk too!

In art this week, we have been learning about how to use objects for printing and practised a technique called over printing, inspired by print designers Karen Lederer, Duro Olowu and Lucienne Day. The children were so careful with their pressing, the prints worked superbly!

In Year 2 this week we have been learning to use and apply Diamante poem format within our Concrete poem structures. We have been looking at Heart shaped poems, Leaf shaped poems and Tree shaped poems. We have been learning how to roll and aim at targets in PE and increase the accuracy of hitting the target each time. In Art we have been finding out more about Joan Miro and creating our own pieces of artwork.

Year 3 enjoyed getting messy whilst creating their mosaic tile in clay, copying their paper design.

Year 4 have had a very exciting week collecting and sketching man-made and natural textures for their art project.

This week Year 5 have been exploring the work of the influential artist William Morris. We have considered the features of his work and created some of our own sketches of his work.

This week Year 6 have been learning about evolution in Science. They have explore how fossils give evidence for evolution as well as how and why there may be gaps in the fossil record. This has followed on from the previous session where they investigated Darwin's work on the Theory of Evolution and his work on the adaptation in finches beaks based on their diet.

Mrs Withers Weekly Challenge Area: This week near the hall children can explore sorting shapes, counters, fractions and much more...

The sun seems to be shining more if a little chilly, I hope you enjoy a fantastic weekend and we will see you next week ready to do it all again.

Mrs Withers x

Norbert Bear

Norbert Bear will be going home with a child in reception on a Friday to spend the weekend! Please follow the instructions on Norbert's tag and tweet any photos with Norbert with your child having fun! Norbert must be returned to school on a Monday for a busy week at school!

This week Norbert Bear will be going home with Lucas.



GOSPEL REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

Have you ever done any gardening and chopped branches of a plant or a tree because they were making the plant unhealthy?

This weekend we hear how Jesus compares himself to a vine and us to its branches. He tells us how we need to stay connected otherwise the branch could die.

Jesus continues to speak to the disciples through imagery which they understood from their everyday experience and with symbols that come from their Jewish tradition. The vine is a staple part of Israel's agricultural life. It carries the idea of the life which flows into the branches from the thick stalk of the vine. Jesus becomes that giver of life and prosperity, but behind his life-giving presence is the Father. Like the vine-dresser, the Father must cut away anything which impedes that life or comes from a source that is not nourished from the 'true vine.' Jesus exists to make the Father known and so it must be with the disciples of Jesus. We must 'remain with Jesus and thus make the Father known.



A Year of Prayer and Preparation: Pentecost Novena

Between 10-18 May Cafod will be sending out the Pentecost Novena as daily emails. Each day subscribers will be sent an email containing an intention to pray for, a bible passage to focus on, a short reflection, some inspiring prayers and links to ways you can help.

Click [HERE](#) to subscribe for free.

Witness

Witness is the sharing of our faith with others. It is a way of testifying to the truth of Jesus Christ and the Gospel message. Our witness can be a way of celebrating the hope and joy that we have in Jesus and a way of powerfully sharing the good news with those around us.

Find one way to share what your faith means to you with someone else this week.

Participation CST

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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[E-SAFETY FROM ALAN MACKENZIE](#)

County Lines

Internet Matters have put together a really useful guide for parents explaining county lines, how children are targeted, how children may be vulnerable and some resources/support.

You can find the guide [HERE](#).

Roblox - How to Report

Most users of Roblox will probably know how to report content or other players on Roblox, but it's possible some (including their parents) won't. There is a 1-minute video on YouTube showing users how to report on Roblox [HERE](#).

Courtesy of Alan Mackenzie <https://www.esafety-adviser.com/>



NSPCC
HELPLINE
0808 800 5000
help@nspcc.org.uk

ChildLine
0800 1111

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

EYFS - Aya for really developing her confidence to answering questions!

Year 1 - George for his fantastic printing work, so careful, interesting and imaginative!

Year 2 - Caroline for her exceptional attitude towards her learning.

Year 3 - Gustas for his determination and effort in his mathematics this week, he persevered even though he found it difficult.

Year 4 - Bentley for his fabulous maths learning.

Year 5 - All of Year 5 for the fabulous feedback from the supply this week on their behaviour and presentation!

Year 6 - Andriya for showing hard work and resilience in learning across the curriculum.

**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.



Common Good CST

**ATTENDANCE**

Well done Year for this week's highest scoring attendance! School Average this week 95.53%

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 - 93.1%
Year 1 - 94.8%
Year 2 - 97.8%
Year 3 - 94.1%
Year 4 - 95.9%
Year 5 - 97.0%
Year 6 - 95.9%

WELLBEING**Active April / Mindful May****Human Dignity CST**

28
Meet a friend
outside for a walk
and a chat

29
Become an
activist for a
cause you really
believe in

30
Make time to run,
swim, dance, cycle
or stretch today

1
Do something kind
for someone you
really care about

2
Focus on what you
can do rather than
what you can't do

3
Take a step
towards an
important goal,
however small

4
Send your friend a
photo from a time
you enjoyed
together

Useful Websites

[Young Minds](#)

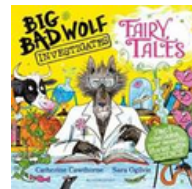
[Place 2 Be](#)

[Mentally Healthy Schools hub by Heads Together](#)

[Our Time](#)

Recommended Reads

READING CORNER



Big Bad Wolf Investigates: Fairy Tales- Catherine Cawthorne

Could the Big Bad Wolf really blow down a straw house? A funny look at familiar fairy tales through the lens of STEM.

The Book of Blast Off! 15 Real-life Space Missions- Timothy Knapman

Discover the details of 15 real-life missions into space – all told in accessible rhyme, and with vibrant illustrations. Not just for space enthusiasts!



Universal Guide to the Night Sky - Lisa Harvey-Smith

A delightful, clear and informative book about stars, the moon, satellites, the sun, the planets and constellations, with lots of fascinating detail other things we can find in space, such as dark nebulae, asteroids and meteor showers. Practical, fun and accessible.



POLLING DAY

School will be closed to all pupils this Thursday 2nd May. Today you will receive a hard copy of your child's Polling Day learning pack. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions before close of Wednesday 1st May.

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 1st May

Year 2 Class Worship – Parents
Welcome 2:50pm

School Closed to children

Thursday 2nd May - Online learning
Monday 6th May - Bank holiday

Feast of the Ascension Mass at

Church leaving 9am - Please let us know if you can support

Monday 13th -Thursday 16th May

KS2 SATs Week

Friday 17th May

EYFS, Year 1, Year 2 Trip to
Snettisham Farm Park

CURRICULUM FACTS, ACTIVITIES AND CHALLENGES

Geography

Facts About Coasts

- Canada has the largest coastline of any country.
- If all the coastlines of the world were added up they would equal 312,00 miles.
- The biggest wave ever recorded was a huge 524 metres high. This happened after an earthquake and mudslide in Alaska in 1958.
- The longest beach in the world is found in Brazil.
- Storm waves measuring 10 metres high could destroy about 1 metre of cliff face in one night.

(Source 300 Geography facts for kids by Kentish Press)

April Writing Challenges

1. Tell a story based on your favourite past memory.
2. It's Superhero day! Create your own superhero who wants to protect the environment.
3. If you could have one wish, what would it be and why?
4. Write a diary entry from the perspective of the sun on a cloudy day.

Maths Challenges

Take Three From Five

Choose any five positive whole numbers.

5 13 18 10

16 20 37 11

Can you always select three that will add up to a multiple of 3?

Thousands more problems can be found on the NRICH Maths website:
www.nrich.maths.org

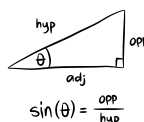
Solve this..

$$\square + \square + \square = 30$$

Fill the boxes using
(1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15)

You can also repeat the numbers.

Children can access maths activities at home that we use in school.
Follow these links to find out more.



[Mathematics Shed](#)
[Times Tables Rock Stars](#)
[Top Marks](#)





Sports News

Netball

On Friday 19th April our Netball Team played a match against Moulton John Harrox. The match was very evenly pitched with each matching the other teams points as they moved through the quarters. The players showed great resolve when the score went in favour of the other Team and they persevered right up to the last whistle to claw back the lost point ending the match at 7-1 to Moulton Harrox. Well done team.



Football

The Girls football team played tonight against Pinchbeck. The match was competitively started with St. Norbert's Maya C scoring a goal within the first few minutes! However, Pinchbeck girls found their strength and came back with an equaliser and a further goal before half-time. The St. Norbert's Team needed to defend and prevent further goals in the 2nd half which they did throughout the match until the final minute when Pinchbeck stole another goal making the end result 3-1 to Pinchbeck.



LINCS COUNTY COUNCIL PARENT SURVEY

Lincolnshire County Council are undertaking a parental survey to assess the need for childcare across Lincolnshire. This is part of a wider annual assessment of the Childcare Sufficiency in Lincolnshire, where childcare providers are also consulted. They would like to hear your views; please click [here](#) to access and complete the survey.

HAVE A GREAT

WEEKEND