

LENT 1 2025

St Norbert's Catholic Primary Academy



A Message from Miss Bools



Article 13: You have a right to find things out.

Hi all,

I hope that you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year and got to spend time with family and friends. It has been a busy start to the Academic year so far and there is plenty more challenges to face in the new year.

As well as continuing with the responsibilities that are expected of a Year 6 we also need to stay focused on our learning and preparing for not only our Year 6 tests (SATS) but secondary school as well.

A new term is a great time to make a fresh start and open your mind to new things. Try something new, take, make a new friend, make a conscious effort to get things done.

It is important to have a positive mindset and reframe our thinking. If you put your mind to it you can achieve anything. Hard work and determination are the keys to success.

Let's look forward to a positive and fruitful 2025-Lent term.

Miss Bools

What are we learning this term?

There will be a focus on the Circulatory System and Health in Science whilst in Geography we will be learning all about Trade and Economics. In Art our focus is still life, and we will be exploring, objects in paintings and their meanings. Music will continue with Mrs Carr. French this term will be all about talking about your home and in Computing you will look at programming using the app Scratch.

Maths this term we complete our learning on Fractions, Converting Measures and Ratio.

I'm sure you've already realised how much relies on your times tables knowledge so keep learning them- use Times Tables Rockstars to keep them fresh in your head. This will also help you to achieve your Pin Badges Times Tables Challenges.

In English we shall be focusing on writing a balanced argument linked to the play- Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare and a narrative using a flashback using the book 'The Arrival' by Shaun Tan.

PE IN LENT 1

PE Days will continue to be Wednesday and Friday. This term we will be working on a unit called 'Watch, Move, Connect' and 'Fair, Share, Dare'.

Correct PE kit:

- A School badged Navy T-Shirt.
- A Navy shorts or dark coloured tracksuit or jogging bottoms (no logos) if the weather is cool.
- School jumper or hoodie.
- Trainers or similar sport footwear for active movement - no boot style trainers.
- Grey or white socks are to be worn; grey tights may be worn as part of the winter uniform.
- Earrings or jewellery are not to be worn during PE lessons.
- Long hair must be tied up for Physical Education.

For any clubs you bring your PE kit into school with you to change into at the time of the club.

HOMEWORK

Homework is an important part of preparing for secondary school and a way to re-enforce learning that you have been working on in school, or to revise learning from previous terms. You need to make sure that you are completing Homework each week and returning it to school by Thursday.

You will receive:

- ✓ Maths SAT style questions that revise the learning from the week
- ✓ SPaG SAT style questions that revise various aspects of SPaG skills
- ✓ Reading- 60 second Reading Comprehension text (Can you read it in 60 seconds?)
- ✓ You will be expected to read regularly and record this in your Reading Journal. Both your reading book and journal need to be in school every day.

All of these tasks should be completed weekly by following Thursday.

SPELLINGS

These are set and tested on a Monday.

- ✓ Spellings- a set of ten words from the Year 5 & 6 Statutory Word List
- ✓ A set of ten spellings from the focus pattern that we have learnt about in Monday's session



Times Tables Rock Stars! A fun online way to practise your times tables. These are also a good way of securing and keeping up your recall speed.

SUPER IMPORTANT!

If you have achieved something you are proud of outside of school, let us know! We would love to celebrate that with you.

Be honest with yourself! If you are struggling or need to talk about anything myself, Mrs Szczygiel are always here to support you. Talk to us.

AWARDS

King and Queen of Books: Well done to those of you who have achieved this award already. What can you do to present your work in an even more impressive way? How can you make your books shine?

Reader of the Week? Still not been reader of the week. Want to know how to achieve this? Try reading regularly and completing your Reading Journal. Share what you enjoy about reading with Miss Bools. Try a new genre. Try out a Recommended Read from Miss Bools's Trolley.

Pupil of the Week: How can you dazzle Miss Bools? Try extra hard, join in in class discussions, complete extra learning, share fabulous facts and ideas, try hard to overcome a skill you've found tricky, complete an awesome piece of work.... The list could go on.

Virtue of the Term: This term our virtue is **Knowledge**. What do you do to show that you are living out the Virtue of the Term daily? Use the posters in the classroom to give you ideas.

Value of the Month: January's value is **Self-Discipline**. As we grow up and take on more responsibilities it important that we are able to control our emotions and express ourselves in appropriate ways.

USEFUL WEBSITES TO BRUSH UP ON THOSE SKILLS!

English:

The English area of the BBC Bitesize website is packed with activities and questions to help you prepare for the National Tests in English.
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zv48q6f>

A range of English games and activities.

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html>

These revision pages have been put together by Woodlands Junior School to help students with their revision.

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/revision/engindex.html>

Math

These revision pages have been put together by Woodlands Junior School to help students with their revision.

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/math/index.html>

A site with links to old style Key Stage 2 Maths Papers, Maths Tutorials as well as Maths Games. Some of these games are linked to Memory and would therefore help pupils to retain key information.

<https://claritymaths.uk>

