



St. Norbert's

CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY

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 26th June 2026

VIRTUES AND VALUES

Virtue of the term
Love of Learning

Value of the Month
Courtesy

LET US PRAY

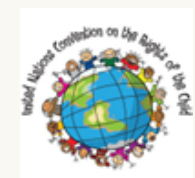
Loving God, we ask that you help us to respect and care for everyone as Jesus showed us.

May we remember that by welcoming others we are really welcoming Him.

Amen

ARTICLE OF THE MONTH

Subsidiarity and Solidarity CST



A MESSAGE FROM MRS WITHERS

What a wonderful week EYFS have had! The children have been busy exploring subtraction in maths, developing their understanding of taking away and finding answers. They have also been fascinated by the life cycle of a butterfly, watching our caterpillars transform. They were thrilled to discover they had hatched from their chrysalis, and we now have some beautiful butterflies to admire!

This week in Year 1, we have enjoyed taking our learning outdoors with a forest scavenger hunt, searching for the many different colours found in nature before learning how to identify a variety of leaves. In DT, we have been getting creative by making edible cake topper decorations to match the fruit flavours of our delicious cupcakes. In Maths, we have been working hard on numbers to 100, developing our confidence with recognising, ordering and comparing numbers. Please continue to practise numbers to 100 at home to help build fluency. In English, we have begun exploring non-chronological reports and have loved discovering fascinating facts about rhinos as we prepare to write our own information texts.

This week in Year 2, we have been busy using and applying our maths skills in a range of activities, as well as taking on our times tables badge challenges. We have been working hard to improve our fluency and confidence with number facts.

In English, we have begun drafting exciting stories inspired by our new class character, the Squishy Fluffy Itty Bitty. The children have enjoyed developing their ideas and creating imaginative adventures.

Our History learning has focused on "Nurturing Nurses", where we have been finding out about the important work nurses do and learning about significant figures from the past who helped to improve healthcare.

In Design and Technology, we have been developing our sewing skills by learning how to sew a running stitch to join two pieces of fabric together. We discovered that threading needles takes lots of patience and perseverance, but we worked hard and showed great determination!

Year 3 have had a fantastic week! In English, the children have begun writing their own stories based on 'Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx.' They have impressed us with their wonderful descriptions and ambitious vocabulary, creating some very exciting pieces of writing.

On Tuesday, we had a fabulous day during our Ancient Egypt workshop. The children were thoroughly involved throughout the day and showed great enthusiasm as they explored this fascinating topic.

In PE, we made the most of the cooler outdoor areas and completed a range of orienteering challenges. The children worked brilliantly as a team and demonstrated excellent problem-solving skills.

Well done, Year 3, for another wonderful week of learning!

This week, Year 4 have been fully immersed in their learning across a range of exciting subjects. In outdoor learning, the children explored Anglo-Saxon settlements, working collaboratively to design and build their own models while developing their understanding of how people lived during this period.

The class also took part in their first Class Mass, showing great respect and enthusiasm as they participated thoughtfully. In maths, pupils have been building confidence in solving calculations involving money, applying their skills to real-life contexts.

In Design and Technology, the children have been developing their sewing skills, carefully learning how to stitch and assemble their own cushions. It has been wonderful to see their creativity and perseverance shine through in their work.

In year five this week we have enjoyed our DT unit on seasonal produce. We have been tasting different combinations of seasonal fruit and vegetables to find out what works well together and what doesn't. This will help inform our next lessons where we will be designing then making a seasonal dish.

This week Year 6 had great fun participating in a History workshop. They learnt about the Greek Gods, the differences between Athens and Sparta and what the Greek Olympics were like. They will now be able to apply this new knowledge to their future History lessons.

I want to express my pride in how brilliantly our children handled the soaring temperatures this week. Whilst we have implemented our High Temperatures Protocols they showed great maturity by keeping hydrated and using shaded playground spaces sensibly, allowing learning to continue smoothly despite the heat. The playground has also been absolutely buzzing with football fever despite the heat. With the FIFA World Cup 2026 group stages reaching an exciting climax, it has been wonderful to see the children channeling this energy into friendly, shared enthusiasm at break times. 🏆

Weekend Highlights & Reminders

World Cup Fun: Encourage your child to share their tournament predictions with you over the weekend.

Rest Up: The combination of high heat and high excitement is exhausting, so please ensure they get plenty of downtime.

Sun Safety: Please review our Home Heat Safety Tips in the Safeguarding section.

Mrs Withers x

GOSPEL REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

This week, our school community is reflecting on the themes of courage, trust, and the reassuring message to "fear not" as we celebrate the 12th week of Ordinary Time. In our celebration of the Word and class prayer spaces, we are exploring the Gospel of Matthew (10:26-33), where Jesus reminds his disciples that they are deeply loved and known by God. We are talking with the children about how we can build our lives on a strong foundation of love, helping us to be brave when we face new challenges or difficult choices.

♥ Living Our Faith This Week

Be Fearless: Talk with your child about times they felt brave or overcame a small worry this week.
The Golden Rule: We are practicing treating others exactly how we wish to be treated ourselves.

Lord, help us to trust in your guiding love and bring your peace into our school and homes today. Amen.



Follow

Try this week to be someone who others will follow by being like Jesus and setting a good example in what you say and do.

Follow

Jesus calls himself the way, the truth, and the life. When we follow Jesus, just as the first disciples did, we are making a powerful choice to live our lives according to his teachings. To follow Jesus is not easy, and it often requires great courage, strength and sacrifice.

Participation CST**ATTENDANCE**

Well done to our EYFS class for this week's highest scoring attendance!
School Average this week 91.48%

Remember our school target is 9% 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 - 95.19%
Year 1 - 95.06%
Year 2 - 88.48%
Year 3 - 92.46%
Year 4 - 88.19%
Year 5 - 91.01%
Year 6 - 90.68%

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

Below are pupils that have lived out the St. Norbert's Learners Code. Look Closely at the certificate to see what your child has excelled in being a model of this week!

Foundation: Vito
Year 1: Arthur
Year 2: Kiara
Year 3: Aadith
Year 4: All Year 4
Year 5: Matthew
Year 6: Arnon

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.

A parent has reported that Freya has been repeatedly kind supporting children on their way into school if they are feeling a little reluctant-what amazing behaviour to hear about from a parent!

SAFEGUARDING

Into the Weekend keep the heat safety habits going at home to ensure your child stays healthy and well during sunny days.

As temperatures rise outside, it is vital to protect our children from heat risks during the weekends and school holidays.

Use this quick guide to stay safe and cool as a family.

Keeping Cool Inside

- Blinds: Close curtains on sun-facing windows during the day.
- Windows: Open windows at night when the air cools down.
- Fans: Use electric fans only if the room is under 35°C.
- Electronics: Turn off unused appliances to reduce indoor heat.

Staying Safe Outside

- Peak Sun: Stay indoors or in shade between 11:00 AM and 3:00 PM.
- Sunscreen: Reapply SPF 30+ cream every two hours when outdoors.
- Hydration: Offer water regularly before your child asks for a drink.
- Cars: Never leave children inside a parked car for any duration.

Useful Websites

[Young Minds](#)

[Place 2 Be](#)

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

[Our Time](#)

If you are concerned about a child or need help and support do not hesitate to contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs.

Withers and Deputy Mrs. Hibbert

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This week, our school community is celebrating Windrush Day to honour the incredible legacy and contributions of the Windrush Generation. On 22 June, the UK marked the 78th anniversary of the arrival of the HMT Empire Windrush at Tilbury Docks in 1948. We are using this moment to teach the children about the Caribbean men, women, and families who traveled to Britain to help rebuild the nation after the Second World War. In classes, we are exploring how their culture, resilience, and creativity have profoundly shaped modern British society, from music and art to food and the NHS.

How We Are Learning:

Storytelling: Reading books about the historic voyage and the families who made new lives here.

Creative Arts: Exploring the vibrant history of Caribbean music, including calypso and steel pan traditions.

Discussion: Talking about community cohesion and what it means to welcome others into our communities.

Talk at Home: You can help continue this learning at home by asking your child what they discovered about the Windrush pioneers this week. Alternatively, check out family learning resources from the National Maritime Museum to explore these histories together online.



STAR BADGE AWARDS

'LIFTING CHILDREN'S HOPES'

I am delighted to share the following message from 'Lifting Children's Hopes' I am so proud of how our community comes together to support those in need-Thank you to each and every one of you.

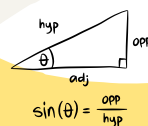
I wanted to personally thank you and your whole school community. You should be incredibly proud St Norberts CVA raised an amazing £2,096 including Gift Aid, through your Colour Dash. It is a real reflection of the generosity, enthusiasm and commitment shown by your pupils, families and staff.

Schools like St Norberts CVA are what we consider Meaningful Impact Schools. Your fundraising plays a vital role in strengthening our charity's ability to support children where need is greatest, while also giving your pupils a powerful, real-world opportunity to demonstrate compassion, generosity and great citizenship. As always, you also have access to our support whenever it's needed. That balance is incredibly valuable to us, and it's something we truly appreciate.



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](#)



Remember to check the school website
 Events Calendar

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 30th June

EYFS Prayer Service - Parents Welcome 9am

Wednesday 2nd July

Year 5 Class Worship - Parents Welcome 2.50pm

Saturday 4th July

Summer Fair 10am-1pm

Tuesday 7th July

Sports Day - KS1 AM / KS2 PM

Tuesday 7th July

Parents Learning/Book Showcase 3.20pm - 5pm

Friday 10th - 12th July

Year 4 Hilltop Residential

★ ROLL UP, ROLL UP! ★

SUMMER FAIR

SATURDAY
4TH JULY 2026
≡ 10AM - 1PM ≡

★ RAFFLE

★ STALLS

FUN FAIR GAMES

SMALL ANIMALS

LEGO® BUILDING

GLITTER TATTOOS

TOMBOLA

TICKETS £1
NO FOOD

TICKETS £3
INCLUDES A
★ BBQ BURGER
★ OR SAUSAGE



VEGETARIAN AND VEGAN
OPTIONS AVAILABLE



PRE LOVED

SCHOOL

UNIFORMS

♥ WANTED ♥



GOOD
CONDITION
PLEASE



ALL ITEMS
GREATLY
APPRECIATED



HELP SUPPORT
OUR SCHOOL
COMMUNITY