

St Norbert's Catholic Voluntary Academy

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ST NORBERT'S IS A RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

16th March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reminder - First Holy Communion

We will soon be starting preparatory sessions for children due to make their First Holy Communion. If your child is baptised Catholic and currently in Class 4, please do let me know if you would like your child to take part.

Parents' Questionnaire

Your child has been sent home today with our Parents' Questionnaire. Your feedback is extremely important to us and I would be very grateful if you could please complete this and return it to me before Monday next week. Should you feel unable to 'agree' with any statement, or feel you need more information to do so, please contact me for further discussion. Thank you.

Music Hub

Our Trust are introducing a Music Service from September 2023. Please see the attached letter for full details of the offer, instruments available and the costs involved. If you have any further questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If your child would like to start music lessons, but due to financial constraints is unable to do so, please see me in confidence and I will try and assist you.

After School Clubs – Pentecost Term

The following After School Clubs will be on offer from next term:

- Monday – Homework Club – 3-4pm: children from Year 1 and above.
- Tuesday – Football in the Community – 3-4pm: children from Year 1 and above. Children will require football boots and shin pads for this club. Normal school PE kit should be worn; football kits are not permitted. A payment of £36.50 should be made through Parentpay to secure your place. Children will not be able to take part unless the payment



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has been made before the first session. There will be no refunds should your child decide not to continue until the end of the term.

If, due to financial constraints your child is unable to take part, but would like to, please see me in confidence and I will try to help. Thank you.

- Thursday – Year 6 Booster Club – 3-4pm: this will continue up to SATs week.

All clubs will start from week commencing 24th April 2023. Please email your permission for your child to participate to the admin email address; permission is not required for the Year 6 Booster Club as attendance is expected.

Summer Uniform

Children should return in their summer uniform after Easter, please:

Girls – Green and white short-sleeved checked dress, white socks, black shoes or sandals and green school cardigan. No trainers.

Boys – Black shorts or trousers, white short-sleeved shirt, plain black socks, black shoes or sandals and green school jumper. No trainers.

Our supportive PTA – the Friends of St Norbert’s – have stocks of second-hand uniform available at very reasonable prices. Please contact Catherine Brown for full details. If you do not have contact details for Catherine, please contact the school office.

Out of School Club and Breakfast Club Bookings

Please ensure that bookings for Out of School Club and Breakfast Club are made prior to needing these services. The office staff are happy to accept emergency or short-notice bookings but we do need to plan staffing and resources in advance wherever possible. All payments should also be made at the time of booking. Thank you.

Mr Hindson

Mr Hindson, our Site Manager, leaves us at the end of the Easter holiday to spend more time with his family. We send him our best wishes for the future and thank him for his work to date.

Mrs Metcalfe and Mr Whitwood

We welcome two new members of staff after the Easter Holiday: Mrs Metcalfe (our Goldstar Out of School Club Manager) and Mr Whitwood, who joins our maintenance/cleaning team. We wish them both a very happy start to their careers with us here at St Norbert’s.

Friends of St Norbert’s PTA

The Friends of St Norbert’s have asked me to remind you that Mufti Day takes place next Monday, 27th March. Our Easter Bingo takes place on Tuesday 28th March. Children may come to school in non-uniform on the Monday in exchange for a prize for our Bingo. If your child wishes to take part but this will be difficult due to financial constraints, please see me in confidence. Thank you.

Easter Egg Competition

Last Easter, we took the joint decision that we would no longer continue with the ‘Decorate an Easter Egg’ competition. We concluded that for many families this created additional and often unwelcome pressure which did not align with our efforts to ‘poverty-proof’ the school day.

However, children will still receive a small gift provided by the PTA to celebrate Easter. I must also acknowledge the 'egg-cellent' creations we have seen in the past and thank you for your understanding.

School will close for the Easter Holiday at 3pm on Friday 31st March. Please note the Out of School Club will not be open on this afternoon so all children should be collected at 3pm. School re-opens on Tuesday 18th April.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "A Dawson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

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