



SAINT NORBERT'S CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY

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Mission Statement: To live, love and learn in the footprints of Jesus.

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Dear Families,

Bumped Head Wristbands

From Monday 25th September, we will be making a slight change to our procedures when responding to a 'bumped head' injury. Having found that our current 'bumped head' stickers sometimes fall off clothing, we will now provide your child with a red wristband should he or she be unfortunate enough to need one.

The purpose of the wristband is to remind you that your child has received a head injury so that you can continue to monitor him/her for signs of concussion. You will already have been notified by telephone before the end of the school day.

Class Collective Worship

You may have noticed that there is no date in the Homework Diaries for a class-led collective worship this term, with the exception of Class 5 on Friday 10th November (Remembrance). This decision has been made collectively by our staff team. During the Advent Term we will be focusing on our planned whole-school Harvest Celebration (Friday 20th October) and our Christmas Performances. Collective worship will continue in school for children as normal.

Our curriculum is deliberately sequenced and even more rigorous than previously. As a result, we must consider how knowledge is introduced and when it is then revisited, which is key to pupils knowing more and remembering more over time. Balancing this intention, alongside our collective worship schedule, has been a priority for us. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Harvest Celebration

We would like to invite you to join children from the Reception (Class 2) and Classes 3, 4 and 5, who will be celebrating Harvest together on Friday 20th October. Doors will open at 9am for a 9.30am start. Entrance will be through the doors at the side of the school hall. Due to the limited space and a high volume of ticket requests over previous years, tickets must be limited to 2 per family - in the first instance - and will be issued on a 'first-come, first-served' basis.

If you would like to reserve places, please email the admin email address confirming whether you would like one or two tickets.



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Our Celebration this year will support our local Foodbank and we hope that a representative from the Foodbank will be able to attend. We will be organising a collection during the Celebration, should you wish to make a cash donation. Alternatively, and if you prefer, we are also setting up a Foodbank collection point in school where donations of items from the list below can be made:

UHT long-life milk, cereals, pasta sauces, tinned tomatoes, tinned vegetables, tinned meats, tinned soups, tinned fruit, instant coffee (small jars), packet snacks (noodles) or toiletries

The collection point will be available from Monday 16th October for one week.

The Friends of St Norbert's will be serving tea, coffee and biscuits at the end of the Harvest Celebration and you are very welcome to stay.

MacMillan Coffee Afternoon

We are frequently humbled by your generosity and understand that supporting school with donations of any kind may sometimes be challenging. However, should you be in a position to support, I would like to remind you of our forthcoming MacMillan Coffee Afternoon in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support, which is taking place next Friday afternoon, 29th September. The school gates will be open from 1pm until 3pm.

If you are able to drop in for a cup of tea or coffee, as well as a piece of cake or a biscuit, we would be so pleased to see you. Similarly, if you are able to donate a cake - either shop-bought or home-made - this would be very much appreciated and will be sold during the afternoon. Please send any cakes you are able to donate into school next Thursday morning (28th).

If you could email the admin email address and let the office know whether you will be able to donate a cake or if you will be attending please, this will help us to plan the refreshments needed.

Thank you again for your support.

Flu Vaccination Powerpoint

Please find attached a presentation supplied by Vaccination UK, who will be administering the children's flu vaccinations this year.

Belief in Brief

Please also find attached information from the Nottingham Diocese entitled 'Belief in Brief'.

Friends of St Norbert's AGM and Meeting

The AGM of the Friends of St Norbert's PTA takes place at 3pm on Tuesday 3rd October. All families are very welcome to attend. If you would like your child to be placed in the Out of School Club for the duration of the meeting, please let the office know. No charge will be made for this time.

Election of Officers for the coming year will take place at the AGM. If you would like to be considered for one of the positions, please complete the attached form and return it to the school office.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Yours sincerely,



A Dawson