



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,

Reminder – Friends of St Norbert's PTA AGM

The next meeting of the PTA takes place in school at 3pm today. All families are very welcome to attend and it will be good to see you there if you are able to join us.

MacMillan Coffee Afternoon

Thank you to everyone who supported our MacMillan Coffee Afternoon in any way on Friday last week; the cakes certainly looked lovely and very inviting. We raised a total of £260 during the afternoon which will be sent to MacMillan Cancer Support. Thank you again for your support and generosity.

Vocations Week

Thank you again to the parents and volunteers who supported our Vocations Week and to the local Police and Fire Service who also attended. Your support is greatly appreciated and helps our children to better understand possible future occupations and employment pathways.

Reminder - Harvest Celebration

If you have not already done so, could you please order your tickets for the Harvest Celebration; these will be allocated at the beginning of next week. Initially, two tickets per family will be available on a 'first-come, first-served basis'. The Collection Point for the Foodbank will be open from Monday 16th October, should you wish to make a donation. Thank you.

Reminder - Bags2School – Collection Monday 9th October

Our next Bags2School Collection takes place on Monday 9th October. If you have any items of clothing that you wish to donate, please bring them to school before 8.30am on the 9th October. Please do not bring your bags in before that morning as we do not have any storage space available. Collection bags have already been sent home with your child, which clarify which items can be donated.



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CAFOD

Friday 6th October is CAFOD Family Fast Day, a day we can pray, give, and eat simply in solidarity with our global family. Although we are not going to be fundraising or asking for donations in school this Friday, you might wish to consider 'going without' in some small way and using this opportunity to support others in need yourself.

If you would like further details, please do visit the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/fundraise/family-fast-day> .

Shining Stars

Our Shining Stars group has received good feedback in its new home in the school hall. I am hoping to arrange for a representative of the Imagination Library to attend one Thursday afternoon to deliver a mini book chatter and hope that parents with children from 0-3 years old will attend.

Shining Stars takes place each Thursday in term time from 1 – 230pm. We hope to see you soon.

Attendance

Please find attached a separate letter regarding attendance.

In addition, I must confirm that proof of medical and dental appointments - not organised through school - will now be required. Please send this to the school office if you need to confirm that it will be necessary to collect your child during school time. If you can organise your child's regular dentist appointments outside of school hours, or during the holidays, that really would be appreciated.

Please telephone the school office before 9am if your child is going to be absent due to illness. There is also an absence answerphone line available 24 hours. Office staff time and resources are sometimes wasted when we have to establish why pupils are absent. However, please do not email to report absence. If we do not hear from you by 9am, the office staff will start telephoning you - or the other members of your emergency contact list - until contact has been made. If we are unable to make any contact with you, we may visit your address and seek advice from the Education Inclusion Service if necessary.

Unfortunately, I am unable to authorise holidays during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. Any unauthorised holidays will also be referred to the Education Inclusion Service and may result in a penalty notice being issued by the Local Authority.

Children in the Nursery are not of statutory school age and may take holidays during term time. However, these are not encouraged and may affect your Nursery funding if too many absences are recorded.

Thank you again for your support.

St Norbert's Church Bingo etc,

Please find attached details of the Bingo being organised by St Norbert's Church and other information from With Me in Mind and North Lincolnshire Council.

Yours sincerely,



A Dawson