

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,

Scunthorpe Speech and Drama Festival

Many congratulations to all children who took place in the Speech and Drama Festival last week. It has been great to see both individual and group successes, whilst both our Infant and Junior Choral Speaking groups achieved 1st place in their section.

Thank you for your support in transporting your own children to and from the Festival; thanks also to those parents who came to support our Choral Speaking groups last Thursday morning. We would not be able to participate in the Festival without your help, for which we are very grateful.

Parents' Appointments

Confirmation of Parents' Appointment times will be sent home with your child by Wednesday of this week. If you have not yet booked an appointment, please let us know so that an appointment time can be allocated. It is important that you have had an opportunity to discuss your child's progress with his/her Class Teacher.

CAFOD Big Lent Walk

Our Big Lent Walk will take place on Thursday afternoon this week. If your child has achieved any sponsorship, could you please send back his/her sponsor form and any money received so far to the office on Wednesday. Children will walk in their school uniforms but will require a warm coat for the afternoon.

You may well be choosing to support other causes so I would like to extend a particular thank you at this time for considering our efforts to support CAFOD's valuable work. All children and staff will be taking part in the walk to show solidarity – one of the principles of Catholic Social Teaching – with those living in poverty.

Friday 15th March – Outdoor Activities

First Step Sports will return to school on Friday this week and all classes will take part in outdoor orienteering activities during the day. Please do ensure that your child's PE kit is in school as this will be needed on Friday. As is the case for all outdoor PE lessons, children may wear black jogging bottoms or a black tracksuit over their PE kit to keep warm. These items should not have any logos or branding in order keep our uniform affordable. Thank you for your support.



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Collective Worship with Class 2

The children in Class 2 will be working hard to prepare and lead Collective Worship on Friday 22nd March. Family and friends of the children in Class 2 are very welcome to attend. Gates will open at 2.20pm ready for the Worship to begin at 2.30pm. There will be no admittance once started. We look forward to seeing you there.

Friends of St Norbert's PTA Meeting

The next Friends of St Norbert's PTA meeting will take place in school on Wednesday 20th March from 3-4pm. All parents and friends are very welcome – and encouraged – to attend.

Friends of St Norbert's Easter Bingo and Mufti Day

The Friends of St Norbert's PTA Easter Bingo will take place on Tuesday 26th March. Doors will open from 6pm, with 'eyes down' at 6.30pm. Refreshments will be available together with a raffle, sweet shop and board games.

'Mufti Day' for our Easter Bingo takes place on Monday 25th March. All children can come to school in non-uniform on that day, in return for a prize donation for our Easter Bingo. Prizes could include: Easter Eggs, chocolates, alcohol, wine and spirits or items for a hamper etc.

If your child is unable to participate due to financial constraints, please contact me – in confidence – and I will make sure that everyone is included.

As you may already be aware, one of our Year 2 children – Lydia Lowe – has been absent from school following a serious illness and will now require considerable support to continue her rehabilitation. A group of parents will therefore be leading some additional fundraising on the same night as our Easter Bingo. Any money raised on the meat, whisky or gin boards, refreshments, cakes and sweet stalls, will be donated to Lydia's family. In addition, should you choose to make a separate donation, this can be done either on the night or can be sent into the school office in an envelope marked 'Donation for Lydia'.

Items donated on the Monday Mufti Day will be used for Bingo prizes and proceeds from ticket sales on the night will be retained by the Friends of St Norbert's PTA to be used for school projects. The parents who are organising the ancillary stalls will be providing their own prizes, cakes, etc and will retain any money raised on these stalls for Lydia.

Any cakes which remain unsold from the Tuesday night will be available to purchase on the Wednesday afternoon once school has finished at 3pm. Any cakes remaining after this time will then be donated to 'the Forge'.

Dental Workshop

The Dental Workshops – which had been postponed earlier this term – have been re-arranged for Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th April. All children will be taking part in one of these workshops.

Children in Key Stage Two will also be invited to take part in practice brushing activities using dental disclosing tablets, which contain a harmless pink or purple vegetable dye that reacts with plaque on the teeth. Chewing a tablet activates the dye, temporarily revealing plaque that remains in the mouth after brushing and flossing. Disclosing tablets help develop good brushing habits by revealing areas where plaque has accumulated. If you did not give permission last time for your child to take part in the practice brushing, but now wish him/her to do this, please see the link which has been added to this letter. Please do not complete the link again if you have already given permission for your child to take part.

PGL Parents' Meeting

An information meeting takes place at 6.30pm on Tuesday 30th April for parents whose children are taking part in this year's PGL visit. Could you please confirm that you will be attending by emailing <u>admin@stnorbertscrowle.co.uk</u>. This meeting will also provide an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have and is for parents only. Thank you.

Music Festival – After School Club – Children from Classes 4 and 5 only

If your child is interested in taking part in the Scunthorpe Music Festival as part of the KS2 choir, Jane Holmes – our friend from the Festival and a wonderful supporter of our school for many years – will be running an after-school choir club starting next Tuesday, 19th March. The club will take place in school from 3-4pm, every Tuesday, until the Festival week in May. Soloists and the KS1 choir will be supported by Jane during school time.

A link is attached to this email for you to give permission for your child to take part. Thank you.

Easter Events, Tennis Club and Caistor Grammar Open Evening

Please find attached information for events happening over the next weeks and in the run up to Easter, together with information regarding Caistor Grammar School's Open Event. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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