



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,

Summer Fayre

Further to my letter dated 17th June, it is my great pleasure to tell you that this year's Summer Fayre raised a massive amount of £2,914.52! This is a phenomenal achievement for a community of our size and the money will be used to support all children in our school.

The Big Sing

Children from Class 1 (Nursery) will be taking part in the 'Big Sing' virtually from school on Tuesday afternoon; children from Class 2 (Reception) will be taking part from the Plowright Theatre. Please note that your child may be seen on camera by participants from other schools. This is a closed call so the link to the Big Sing will only be shared with participating schools.

Where your child's existing school permission excludes him/her from taking part in these online activities – being photographed or filmed – he/she will not be shown on camera. Thank you.

School Meals

Our school catering company – Aspens – are collecting information regarding their school meal provision. Would you please spend a few minutes completing their feedback form, the link for which can be found in the email with this letter. Thank you.

Crowle Show – Free Entry Bands for Children

The organisers of Crowle Show are kindly offering free entry again to children from our local schools. Your child will be sent home with a wristband tomorrow afternoon for use if you decide to attend. Please note that there are no further wristbands in school should your child's wristband be lost. Thank you.

Reminder - Sports Day – Thursday 27th June 2024

The Early Years (Nursery and Reception) Sports Day is due to take place in the morning of Thursday 27th June. The pedestrian gate will be opened at 9:30am with the sports beginning at 10am. This event should finish at around 10:30am. Children in the Early Years should come to school in their shorts, t-shirts and plimsolls and bring their school uniform with them to change into once the sports have finished. They should also bring a teddy bear with them for the Teddy Bear Race, please.



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If your child is not in Nursery on a Thursday and would like to take part, he/she should be brought to the church gate at 9:15am already changed into his/her shorts and t-shirt. You should then collect your child from the church gate once the sports have been completed. Do please let Mrs Burkill know in advance if your child is attending so we know to expect them.

Sports Day for the children in Classes 3, 4 and 5 will take place in the afternoon of 27th June and will begin at 1pm. The gate will be opened at 12:30pm for you to take your seats. Please do not arrive early as the children will be having their playtime and we need to prepare seating.

Children in Classes 3, 4 and 5 should come to school in uniform as usual; they will need their PE kits and plimsolls ready to wear in the afternoon.

Representatives from 'With Me in Mind' will be present during Sports Day afternoon should you wish to speak to them or obtain any information to support your child. The Friends of St Norbert's will also be serving free refreshments during the afternoon so please do not feel obliged to bring any money to the event.

When the afternoon sports have finished, the children will be asked to take all chairs and equipment back into school and change before going home.

Of course, all of this planning will be subject to change depending on the great British weather. In the event of rain, a text message will be sent to your child's main contact by lunchtime to confirm whether or not the Sports Day is going ahead. Postponing an event is never an easy decision and I would like to thank you in advance for your understanding should this prove necessary.

Please note that – in order to minimise disruption to the planned curriculum at this busy time of year – older siblings are not invited to watch the Reception Sports Day and vice-versa.

We very much look forward to seeing you at school for our celebration of sport.

Reminder - Photographs

If you do come to support your child on Sports Day, please take photographs to capture memories if you wish to but I must ask you not to use these on social media or public websites, please. Your understanding and support with this is gratefully appreciated.

Sun Safety

Summer appears to have arrived – finally! To keep all children safe, not only on Sports Day but each time they go outside, all **must** have a sunhat and water bottle with them. Sun cream should be applied before children come to school, please.

If you are unable to provide a hat or bottle, for whatever reason, please let me know – in confidence – and I will do what I can to help.

Reminder - Class 3 Celebration of the Word

Class 3's 'Celebration of the Word' (collective worship) will take place on Friday 28th June. Doors will open at 2.20pm with the event starting at 2:30pm. Please note that there can be no admittance once the Worship has started at 2:30pm to avoid disrupting the children's hard work.

Proposed PGL Visit for 2025 (children currently in Years 3, 4 or 5)

Following our successful and enjoyable visit to PGL Boreatton Park during the May half-term, we are looking at arranging a visit for the same time next year leaving on Friday 23rd May and returning on Monday 26th May 2025. This will be over the Bank Holiday weekend and therefore continue into the first part of the Whitsun Holiday.

Due to rising costs of accommodation and transport, the estimated total for the visit would be approximately £320 per child, including bedding – which is now provided for all (there will be no option for children to take their own). In

addition, you should be aware that the price quoted is based on the maximum number of 30 children taking part and could, of course, increase to cover the cost of transport should fewer children wish to go.

Based on the number of children who visited this year, the cost would be £329.34, again inclusive of bedding.

To make the visit more accessible, a payment plan – enabling you to pay in instalments – can be arranged. However, full payment would be required before the end of the autumn term this year.

If you would like your child to take part, and for us to assess the viability of the visit, please email admin@stnorbertycrowle.co.uk to confirm before Friday 28th June.

As soon as we know the numbers wishing to participate, we can then work out the actual cost of the visit. When the cost is confirmed, non-refundable deposits will be requested. If low numbers of children wish to take part, and the cost of the visit therefore needs to increase accordingly, the visit may not go ahead – deposits would be refunded in this case.

Please let me know if you require any further information.

Safety on roads around Schools

Please remind and encourage your children to use roads and footpaths safely around school, especially when riding bicycles or scooters. Some children have been seen racing up and down the road outside school in a morning without paying attention.

Your support is much appreciated. Thank you.

Yours sincerely



A Dawson