



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,

Harvest Celebration Tickets – Children from Reception (Class 2) onwards

All available tickets have now been allocated to the families who have requested seats. Unfortunately, due to demand again this year, there are now no reserve tickets available; therefore, please do not attend the Celebration if you do not have a ticket as we have a maximum permissible headcount in the school hall.

If you have ordered tickets and no longer need one, or either of them, please could I ask you to return them in good time to the office so that we can try to allocate these elsewhere, if needed. As I explained previously, children or babies will not be allowed to sit on parents' knees, unless they have been included in your ticket order, e.g. two tickets – one adult and one child. Tickets, showing your allocated seat number, will be sent home with your child by the end of next week.

Doors will open for the Celebration at 1.30pm so that you can take your seats and enjoy the refreshments provided by our PTA, should you wish. The Celebration will begin at 2pm. Please note that there can be no admittance after 2pm once the Celebration has begun. Thank you.

I understand that you may wish to capture photographs or videos of your child or children during the Harvest celebration. I must ask – if you *do* decide to use your camera – that you do not share images or videos of other children on social media without their parents'/carers' permission. I think it is also important to be mindful that some children feel nervous when performing – particularly when they think they are being photographed or filmed – so would ask for your sensitivity and understanding during our celebration. Thank you.

The Collection Boxes for the Foodbank will open from Monday 14th October. If you wish to donate any items for our local Foodbank, they inform us that the following are urgently required:

UHT long-life milk, cereals, pasta sauces, tinned potatoes, tinned vegetables, tinned meats, rice pudding, tinned fruit, instant coffee (small jars), packets or tins of custard

If you would prefer to make a cash donation, a collection bucket will also be available in school on the Friday afternoon.

Thank you for supporting our school's efforts to provide for our local Foodbank. Please do remember that there is no expectation regarding donations; we are simply making the option *to* donate a possibility for you.

Flu Vaccinations

The Flu Vaccination Team will be in school on Monday from 8.30am to provide flu vaccinations for all children from our Reception Class through to Year 6, where parental permission has been given. A further catch-up session has been arranged for Monday 16th December for any children who are not in school next Monday.

Reminder - Bags2School Collection

Bags2School collections raise funds for our PTA, which is always so beneficial. Perhaps more importantly however, they give you an opportunity to recycle and reorganise, should you wish to. If you will be making use of the service, please bring any bags for the collection down to the school hall on Wednesday morning next week. Thank you for your support and I do hope that this is of some use to you.

Class 3 – Local Visit – Walking Around Crowle

Children from Class 3 will be visiting the local area around Crowle on Wednesday morning next week. Additional permission for this visit is not required as this is covered by the 'Walking around Crowle' permission slips already signed. Children will be supervised by school staff and will walk along Fieldside, through into the Market Place and then return to school. Could you please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat available in school on Wednesday morning in case of wet weather. Thank you.

Class 5 – Orienteering Visit to The Axholme Academy

Children from Class 5 will be visiting the Axholme Academy on Tuesday afternoon next week. Please ensure that they have a waterproof coat with them as this is an outdoor event and they will also be walking to and from the Academy. Children will change into PE kits before setting off and are able to wear plain black jogging bottoms or black tracksuits – without logos – if they wish, together with sports footwear. Thank you.

North Lincolnshire Council – Adult Education and Community Learning

Please find attached information received from North Lincolnshire Council advertising courses available to promote Mental Health and Wellbeing.

Fieldside Puddles

You will no doubt have noticed that puddles along Fieldside – particularly outside our school railings – are a particular nuisance on very wet days; it would appear that the drains are not functioning effectively. I have reported this to North Lincolnshire Council, who have since visited Fieldside to assess the problem. The Council have subsequently informed me that, as the works are not considered to be of an urgent nature, the details will be added to their programme of works and will be addressed in due course.

In the meantime, could I encourage you to use the pavement on the opposite side of Fieldside when it is raining heavily – my hope being that doing so might save you from being soaked unexpectedly by a passing vehicle.

Yours sincerely,



A Dawson