



# 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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24<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Dear Families,

## Reminder - Mass – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October – 10.30am

Mass to honour the Feast Day of St Thérèse of Lisieux will take place on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October, at 10.30am, in St Norbert's Church. St Thérèse - also known as 'The Little Flower' - was a Catholic nun who is remembered for her strong faith and her devotion to doing small things for others with great love; these are all deeply inspiring qualities that we try to promote often here in school.

All family and friends are welcome to join us in church and it would be very special to worship with you there if you are free. Please allow your child to bring a small amount of change for the collection if this is something you feel able to do. Thank you.

## Reminder - Photograph Consents

Duplicate Photograph Consent forms were sent out again last week to those parents who had not returned their forms. If you have still not returned this form, could you please do so by Friday at 3pm this week so that we can ensure that your preferences are noted.

## Harvest Celebration

We would like to invite you to join the children from Class 2 (Reception) and Classes 3, 4 and 5, who will be celebrating Harvest together on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October. Doors will open at 1.30pm for a 2pm start and entrance will be through the doors at the side of the school hall. Due to limited space and the high volume of ticket requests over previous years, we must limit tickets to two per family in the first instance; these will be issued on a 'first-come, first-served' basis.

I am delighted that we continue to be able to celebrate Harvest together in this way. With an increasingly demanding curriculum and wider challenges facing both the education sector and society, our traditional celebrations are – if anything – even more important to us. However, this does mean that increasing the number of performances is not a viable option.

To order tickets, please complete the link which accompanies this letter confirming whether you would like one or two places. Once all families who wish to attend have received their tickets, any reserve tickets left will be made available. Please note that ticket allocations are by family and not by child – i.e. if you have two children in school, please do not order four tickets. Families who live at separate addresses will be allocated one ticket for each parent; if you have reached agreement that one parent is unavailable and the other would like both tickets available, please discuss with the office. Please note: children and babies are not permitted to sit on adults' knees as they must be included in the overall headcount to comply with fire safety regulations. If you wish to bring them to the Celebration, I must ask that you include them in your ticket order, please.

If you receive tickets but are unable to attend, **please do not give unused tickets to other family members or friends** as there may be some parents in school who are not due to receive *any* tickets to attend. Instead, please return unused tickets to the school office so that they can be re-allocated on a 'first-come, first-served' basis.

Our Celebration this year will be in support of our local Foodbank and the charity WaterAid; 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 from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October for one week; donations of items from the list below can be made:

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

We have been invited to collaborate with Crowle Library who are also collecting food donations for our local foodbank. If your family or friends who do not call in at school would like to make a donation, these can be left at Crowle Library in the Market Square alternatively.

The Friends of St Norbert's will be serving tea, coffee and biscuits before the Celebration begins when the doors open at 1.30pm. Thank you in advance to any PTA members who are able to volunteer.

### **Information from the Baths Hall, North Lincolnshire Council, St Bede's**

#### **Baths Hall Spotlight!**

The Big North Lincolnshire Talent Show will return for its third year on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at The Baths Hall.

'The area's biggest talent show' welcomes applications from people of all ages and from across North Lincolnshire and neighbouring counties. Applications are open now and will close at midnight on New Year's Eve. Successful applicants will then be invited to live auditions in January.

Think you have what it takes to make it to the live final, or know somebody who might? Then please visit <https://www.scunthorpetheatres.co.uk/participation/spotlight-the-big-north-lincolnshire-talent-show-2026/> for more information about the competition and to apply!

#### **Drop -In Session – Crowle Community Hub**

Parents, carers and family members can pop in and speak to your Community Nursery Nurse and Family Support Worker regarding any concerns or support needs.

Where: Crowle Community Hub DN17 4LA

When: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 1-4pm

#### **St Bede's**

Please see the flyer attached with information regarding open evenings for children in Years 5 and 6.

Yours sincerely,



A Dawson