



## 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 - Celebration of the Word with Class 2

Celebration of the Word, led by children from Class 2, takes place this Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> March and families of children in Class 2 are warmly invited to attend.

Doors will open at 2:20pm with the Celebrations starting at 2:30pm. It would be very special to worship with you. As usual, there can be no admittance once the Celebration has begun - thank you for your understanding.

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### Reminder - CAFOD Big Lent Walk

To live out our mission as a Catholic school – as well as several principles of Catholic Social Teaching – all children and staff will be taking part in the Big Lent Walk around our school grounds this week. This will be in support of CAFOD, raising funds to combat global poverty and to support their valuable work as the official aid agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales.

If you or your family/friends would like to sponsor your child, any sponsorship money will be gratefully received and will be forwarded to CAFOD; a paper sponsorship form was sent home with your child last week. Please do return this to school by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March, along with any sponsorship money, in an envelope marked 'The Big Walk'. Alternatively, you can also scan the QR code on the sponsorship form to donate via our Just Giving page if you prefer: <https://donate.justgiving.com/fundraising/saint-norberty-big-lent-walk/donation-amount>.

Our aim is to beat last year's total of £205.50 – itself a huge amount for a school of our size. If your child cannot find a sponsor – for whatever reason – he/she only needs to ask me and I will be very happy to sponsor him/her myself. Thank you so much.

### Reminder – Mufti Day and Easter Bingo

Mufti Day takes place on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March; this is where children can come to school in non-uniform in exchange for a prize for our Easter Bingo. Please see my previous letters for full details. The actual Bingo takes place on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March and doors open at 6pm with 'eyes down' at 6:30pm.



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No child will be excluded from Mufti Day if things are tough at the moment due to financial constraints; we understand. But please do let me know in advance (confidentially) so that I can buy a prize myself on behalf of your child if necessary. We just hope that the event will be the usual success so that it raises as much money as possible for our PTA, who support such fantastic school projects and activities.

If you are able to come along to the Bingo, I very much look forward to seeing you there. Thank you – as always – for your support.

### **Goldstar Out-of-School Club (3pm to 4pm)**

I am pleased to let you know that a new booking option for our Out-of-School Club has been introduced this week: there is now a choice on Arbor for families whose children need to stay for no more than one hour. The reduced charge for this is £5 and our hope is that this will give you greater flexibility with your bookings. You may, for example, wish to take advantage of this for one of your children while the other attends an activity club after school. You do not have to justify the one-hour booking, however, and this is available to anyone.

Please note that your child will not be provided with any tea and must be collected before or by 4pm. Any children who are booked in for the one-hour option, but are not then collected until *after* 4pm, will be charged the normal rate of £10.20. I must also make clear that those children who are booked in at the usual rate of £10.20, but might then be collected unexpectedly before 4pm, will not receive a refund – staffing and food will already have been organised in advance.

Do please see your Arbor App for all the options we now have available.

### **Pentecost Term – After-School Activity Clubs**

The following Activity Clubs will be available after the Easter Holidays:

Monday            Choir Club with Mr Dawson and Miss Holmes  
3-4pm from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April until Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May

This is a continuation for the children taking part either as individuals or as part of the choir for the Scunthorpe Music Festival; no action is therefore required.

KS2 Gardening Club with Miss Tonge  
3-4pm on the following dates: 27<sup>th</sup> April, 11<sup>th</sup> May, 1<sup>st</sup> June and 8<sup>th</sup> June

**Please note there will be no session on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May.**

12 places are available which will be allocated on a 'first-come, first-served' basis.

If your child already has wellies, gardening gloves and a trowel, they can bring these to the club but please do not buy these specially as they can be provided in school.

Please complete the permission on your Arbor App for your child to attend.

Tuesday           Chess Club with Miss Hutchinson  
3-4pm from Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April until Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May (first session) and then from Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June until Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July (second session)

This club will open on Arbor for the children already taking part and will then be offered to other children should places remain available. Please complete the permission on your Arbor App and make your payment of £14 at the same time. Please also note that this permission and payment covers the first session only up to half-term.

Arbor will be opened again before the end of the next half-term for the second sessions so that permission can be given; a further payment of £24.50 will then be required to secure your child's place.

Friday

KS2 Homework Club

If you wish your child to complete their homework at school, places can be booked in advance with the Out-of-School Club. A cost of £5 for each child is payable at the time of booking. Children should be collected at 4pm. Please use Arbor again to book your child's place and make your payment.

The Year 6 Breakfast Booster Club will run again from the first morning back on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April. If your child is unable to attend, please ring the Breakfast Club on 07754107294 to let them know. The Year 6 Booster Club on a Thursday from 3-4pm will also begin again from the first Thursday after the holiday – 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

The Booster Club will finish on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May and the final Breakfast Booster Club will be on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

Details of the other Clubs starting after the half-term holiday in May are being organised. This will include Playground Games for the children in Year 1 and the Reception Class starting from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June with Mrs O'Neill.

**Swimming for Children in Class 4**

Swimming for the children in Class 4 begins on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May. If you have still not given your permission through the Arbor App, could you please do so before Friday this week; this was required by 11<sup>th</sup> March. The visit can be found in the 'Clubs' section of the App. Details have to be sent through to North Lincolnshire Council so that they can organise swimming teachers for your children. Thank you.

**Bikeability – Children in Year 5**

Bikeability Safe Cycling lessons will take place for the children in Year 5 on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May. Full details will be sent out as soon as these are received. However, you may wish to check your child's cycle and cycle helmet during the holidays. Should you wish to borrow a cycle and/or helmet, this option will be available to you.

**Caistor Grammar**

Please find attached a letter from Caistor Grammar school which I have been asked to share with you.

**Reminder - Goldstar Out-of-School Club and Year 6 Booster Club**

School will close for the Easter Holiday at 3pm on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Goldstar Out-of-School Club and Year 6 Booster Club will not run that day so all children should be collected at 3pm, please. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,



A Dawson