



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

Thank you so much to everyone who either contributed towards our Summer Fayre in any way or who attended on the day. Fortunately, the weather held and we were able to have the stalls and games outside on the school field. As soon as all the money has been collected, we will let you know how much we have raised this year. Thank you once again for your support.

I would like to particularly acknowledge the huge contribution of PTA volunteers, who worked so hard during the days and weeks leading up to the Fayre to ensure its success. This wonderful team have done so much behind-the-scenes and we are very grateful indeed for their efforts.

Warm Weather

You will – no doubt – have seen that very warm weather is forecast this week. At St Norbert's, we try to see joy every season and are happy to see the arrival of something resembling summer! However, please be assured that our school is a very comfortable temperature thanks to an efficient air conditioning system. Indeed, if you see that classroom windows are closed, this is to maintain the cool air inside. Sadly, the only part of the school which does not currently benefit from air conditioning is the oldest – our Hall – which will remain warm if you join us for a Class Celebration of the Word, for example.

Children should still have their full uniform with them in school, but staff will – obviously – remind them not to wear jumpers or cardigans when it is hot. Boys will also be asked to remove their ties and loosen their shirt collars.

I am delighted to see that every child has a sun hat to wear, many of which we have sourced within school. Please do remember to send a sun hat and water bottle, and apply sun cream before the school day begins, to protect your child at playtimes.

Sports Day

Our planned Sports Day is due to go ahead as usual tomorrow, Wednesday 24th June. Although it is due to be very warm, we have obviously experienced similar many summers before and have an established routine which keeps risk to a minimum. Children will sit on their chairs down our school driveway, for example, which is fortunately shaded all afternoon. The actual time spent in the sunshine, participating in races, will be relatively small.

There will be greater risk for spectators planning to join us. The Early Years Sports Day will take place during the morning and should not mean that you are sitting in the sun for too long. However, anyone planning to watch the afternoon events will need to remember the 'factor 50'!

Reminders – Class Celebrations of the Word (families invited)

Class 3's 'Celebration of the Word' (collective worship)	This Friday, 26 th June
Class 5's 'Celebration of the Word'	Friday, 3 rd July
Class 2's 'Celebration of the Word'	Friday 10 th July

For each, doors will open at 2:20pm with the worship starting at 2:30pm. Please note that there can be no admittance once the worships have started at 2:30pm to avoid disrupting the children's hard work.

Year 6 Leavers' Mass

Please be reminded that the Year 6 Leavers' Mass will take place in Saint Norbert's Church on Wednesday 8th July at 10:30am. Do please join us, if you are able – particularly if you have children in the current Year 6 cohort, of course.

Church Driveway and Garden

It has been brought to our attention that damage has occurred to the garden at St Norbert's Church as a result of children playing in the area. Please note that the garden does not form part of the school site and is maintained by dedicated parish volunteers. As such, the school community does not have permission to use this space.

We would be grateful if parents and carers could ensure that children are appropriately supervised at all times and do not enter or play within the church garden.

In addition, please be reminded that the church driveway and car park are part of a private residence. Access is permitted only for those attending Mass or authorised parish events during the week. Families associated with the school do not have permission to use these areas at any other time, and they must not be used for parking during school drop-off or collection periods.

Thank you for your cooperation and for respecting both the property and the wider parish community.

Plants on Sale

We still have some leftover plants which were kindly donated by Tune's Plant Nursery for our Summer Fayre. If you would like to purchase any of the plants available, please ask at the school office.

Yours sincerely,



A Dawson