



## 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

I am delighted to inform you that this year's Summer Fayre raised an amazing £2200 for our school. Thank you so much once again to everyone who has supported the fayre in any way – we are so grateful and your efforts will do so much for our children.

Rising costs affect all of us – including schools – and it is a constant challenge to maintain a balanced budget (which we do). However, any additional PTA fundraising unlocks a range of possible projects which we may not otherwise be able to undertake. This year, for example, PTA funds have continued to subsidise a wide range of class visits at little or no additional direct cost to families.

I cannot thank the PTA and our families enough for your contribution but I will keep trying: thank you!

### Jimjam Jog

Our 'Jimjam Jog' – for all children from Nursery to Year 6 – will take place on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July from 8:45am. This has become something of a tradition at St Norbert's and each child participates by running a minimum of one lap around the school field – in his/her pyjamas – just for fun.

However, we know that many children really enjoy fundraising for our school through this event and - should they wish to obtain sponsorship - we will, of course, be very grateful. As such, a separate sponsorship form has been sent home with all children today. As I have previously, I will happily personally sponsor any child who wishes to raise money but may not be able to find another sponsor – he/she will just need to come to my office and ask: "Mr Dawson, would you like to sponsor me?"

Sponsorship forms should come back into school on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July, please.

Children will need to arrive at school in their 'pyjamas', bringing their uniform with them to change into later in the morning. They will also need to bring a sun hat, water bottle and have sun cream applied, please.

The Nursery Class will begin the event at 8:45am, following registration; other classes will follow in turn. If you would like to watch the running, you are very welcome to stay by the side of the field. Once children have completed their run, the PTA will provide them with toast or a piece of fruit and a drink.

Thank you.

### Leavers' Mass

Mass dedicated to our Year 6 Leavers is due to take place at 10:30am on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July in St Norbert's Church. Do come along to join us if you are available. I will be presenting gifts to each of our wonderful leavers on the last day of term.

### Leavers' Disco

The Year 6 Leavers' Disco takes place on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July from 7 – 9pm. Please email [admin@stnorbertscrowle.co.uk](mailto:admin@stnorbertscrowle.co.uk) by Friday this week (3<sup>rd</sup> July) to confirm whether or not your child will be attending so that food can be organised. Year 6 children may bring a friend along to the disco and Year 5 children are all invited too. Thank you.

### Crowle Show Wrist Bands

Your child has been sent home with a free entry wristband for Crowle Show, which is due to take place on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July. Please take care of the wristband if you are planning on attending as we have only been allocated one per child and do not have any replacements in school should these become lost or damaged. Thank you.

### End of Year Reports and Parents' Appointments

This year, paper copies of your child's annual report will be sent to you on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Please note that all schools in our Trust share the same report format.

Your child's latest attendance statistics can be accessed through your Arbor app. Please do compare this percentage attendance with the colour-coded table below at your earliest opportunity.

As there are no planned parents' afternoon or evening meetings during the Pentecost (Summer) Term, please do contact your child's teacher directly should there be anything you wish to discuss. You may either make an appointment to see him/her at a mutually-convenient time, or speak briefly when you arrive at school in the morning or afternoon. Thank you.

### Reminders – Absence from School

0 days of school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

To ensure that our safeguarding and absence procedures are robust, we cannot accept emails as a method of reporting any child's sickness absence. Please contact the school office as early as possible (but certainly before 9am) – by telephone – and speak to a member of the office staff. An absence line answerphone is available for out-of-office-hours messages.

If we only receive an email from you, and you do not telephone or visit to confirm your child's absence, this absence must subsequently show on your child's records as unauthorised. Our office staff must also attempt to contact you after 9am, unless they have received a telephone call, until they have spoken to you. A home visit may then be necessary and the Education Inclusion Officers consulted where no contact has been possible.

If your child normally walks to school on his/her own, please telephone as early as possible if you need to report an absence so that we can ensure that he/she is accounted for and safe.

I would also like to politely remind you that – in the vast majority of cases – I am unable to authorise holidays during term time; unauthorised absences must be reported to the Education Inclusion Service who may decide to issue fines as appropriate. Where both parents have joint responsibility for a child, both parents would be included in any action taken by them.

Please note that should your child be reported as absent due to sickness on a day before or a day after a confirmed holiday period, this absence will not be authorised. These days will show as unauthorised and will therefore be included in the total number of unauthorised absences on your child's records and must be reported to the Education Inclusion Service, where appropriate.

In addition, please be reminded that if you are taking your child out of school for dentist or hospital appointments, you may be asked to provide confirmation of the appointment information. Thank you for your understanding.

#### **Children moving to Reception Class and Year 1 from September**

Important meetings are being held in school on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July for new Reception children and Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July for children moving into Year 1. These will both be held in school at 6:30pm. If you have not already done so, could you please confirm that you will be attending. Thank you.

#### **Children Moving from Year 2 to Year 3**

Children moving from Year 2 to Year 3 will no longer be eligible for Universal Free School Meals and any meals should be paid in advance through your Arbor App. The cost of a school meal is £13.50 per week which works out at just £2.70 per day.

Your child may, however, be entitled to Free School Meals. If you think you may qualify or just want to check, please apply online through North Lincolnshire Council: <https://www.northlincs.gov.uk/schools-libraries-and-learning/school-food-and-free-school-meals/>.

#### **Goldstar Out-of-School Club**

As always at the end of each full term, our Goldstar Out-of-School Club will not be open on the last day of term, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July. All children should be collected on this day at 3pm, please. Breakfast Club will, however, be open as usual.

#### **Centenary Ball**

There are still tickets available for our planned Centenary Ball in September. Please see the attached poster for full details.

Yours sincerely,



A Dawson