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 - Drama Club - Monday 23rd November
There will be no Drama Club on Monday next week. The Club will run again on Monday 30th November which will be the last session for this term. Details of all activity clubs available from January will be confirmed before the end of term.

Reminder - PTA Christmas Bingo Tuesday 24th November and Mufti Day Monday 23rd November
Our Christmas Bingo takes place on Tuesday 24th November; doors open at 6pm with 'eyes down' at 6:30pm. Please do come along if you wish to join us for a fun night of bingo while raising much-needed funds for our school. Refreshments will be available throughout the evening, together with our usual games and raffle. We really look forward to seeing you.

Of course, it would not be possible to offer *any* of our Bingo events without the usual wonderful support of our school community. 'Mufti Day' therefore takes place on Monday 23rd November when children can, if you wish, come to school in non-uniform for the day in exchange for a prize for the Bingo. Prizes could include: Selection boxes, chocolates, wine, alcohol, whisky/gin for a whisky/gin board, vouchers etc. *Anything* you can donate will be so very appreciated.

By now, you will be all-too-aware that we try to be mindful of the cost of the school day; perhaps it may not always feel like it whenever you are invited to take part in fundraising activity! However, all children are very welcome to come to school in non-uniform on Monday 23rd November and no child would be excluded from taking part. All I ask, is that if you do not feel able to donate a prize for the bingo, please just let me know – in total confidence – so that *I* can purchase and donate a prize myself. I do not want any child to feel excluded (that is the whole point of 'Poverty Proofing') but am also keen to ensure that there are sufficient prizes for the event to run successfully and therefore raise as much money for our school as possible. Thank you for your understanding and support.



Reminder - Pantomime Visit
If you have not already done so, could you please make your child's ice-cream choice using the link accompanying this email. **The order has to be confirmed and paid for next week.** If an order is not received from you by 3pm on Friday of this week, your child will be allocated an orange rocket lollipop. Allergen details have previously been provided via the link. In addition, please could you give permission for your child to take part in the visit and make your payment through Arbor.

Sparkly Disco
Mrs Coggrave will - very kindly - be selling Sparkly Disco tickets in the school Reception again at 3pm on Tuesday 24th November. Tickets will be issued on a 'first-come, first-served' basis.

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Christmas Performance Tickets
If you have not yet ordered tickets for your child's Christmas performances, please do so by Friday of this week.
We will begin allocating tickets next week and, whilst we will do our very best to accommodate everyone, I cannot guarantee that tickets will still be available after Friday's deadline. Full details can be found in my previous letters, but I have included the booking links again below for your convenience.

John Leggott Christmas Fayre
Please find attached details of a Christmas Fayre being held at John Leggott College on Friday 4th December.

Mornings
I must continue to emphasise the importance of arriving at school on time each morning. We open the gates at 8:20am, allowing children time to put away their things, settle into their classrooms and be ready for lessons to begin at 8:30am. We do not then spend 5-10 minutes more completing the register – this will already have been completed so that Teachers can begin teaching immediately at 8:30am.

We try to make every minute of learning count, so children arriving late will already miss valuable teaching time. Arriving after everyone else can also be unsettling for children, who deserve a calm, confident start to their day but might otherwise be anxious about being late.

I appreciate that mornings can sometimes be challenging, but please do try to ensure that your child arrives on time. Thank you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely,



A Dawson