



ST. NORBERT'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

25th November 2016

Cathedral Mass to mark the closure of the Extraordinary Year of Mercy.

Last Friday (November 18th), three pupils and three staff from St Norbert's joined with hundreds of primary and secondary school children from across the Diocese to mark the Closure of the Extraordinary Year of Mercy with a special Mass at St Barnabas Cathedral Church in Nottingham, led by Bishop Patrick.



Molly Hallisey (Year 6), Genevieve Stokes (Year 5) and Marco Mendoza (Year 4) were accompanied by Miss Bools, Mrs Amess and Mr Burns to a sunny but very chilly Nottingham. Molly also joined the ranks of Altar Servers for the Mass, whilst Marco carried a framed collage, representing the work carried out by St Norbert's School during the Jubilee of Mercy, in the opening procession.

The Mass was a very lively and joyful experience for everyone involved and we were delighted to have the opportunity to meet Bishop Patrick afterwards for a photo opportunity!



Friday 25th November 2016:

National Takeover Day

What is Children's Commissioner's Takeover Day?

The day gives children and young people the chance to work with adults for the day and be involved in decision-making. Children benefit from the opportunity to experience the world of work and make their voices heard, while adults and organisations gain a fresh perspective on what they do. It is hoped this will help break down barriers between generations and encourage children's active involvement in their communities.

What is happening here at St. Norbert's school?

Our theme this year is, "Every class a world business." Every class has been assigned an area of business to "Takeover". Today the children have transformed their classrooms into alternative work places completing a range of tasks to recreate different jobs from cloth making, hat construction, to beading work and of course once again Year 6 have shadowed staff working in the education sector.

Admissions Consultation

A consultation on school admissions is taking place between 28/11/16 and 09/01/17. Please see our website for more details.

Reception places 2017

It is time to begin applying for parents and carers to apply for places in Reception 2017. The application process opened on Monday November 14th and we have limited copies of letters for those who would like to apply for a place. All details and application forms, including for those parents or carers requesting a place based on Faith, are available online at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions or by telephoning 01522 782030.

We are very happy to show parents around who might be considering sending their children to St Norbert's, and their children, around the school. If you do know of anyone in this position, please ask them to contact the school for further information.

Pupils of the Week

Reception - Talullah Featherstone for her beautiful singing and trying hard to learn the Nativity songs.

Year 1 - Maja Pietraszewska for developing her independent writing and working hard to learn her times tables at home.

Year 2 - Nojus Kilmas for a positive attitude to learning this week.

Year 3 - Lily Robinson-Smith for her amazing Catapult Design Technology engineering homework. You have taken the inspiration and shared it at home through your enjoyment of improving your engineering skills whilst supported by an adult. Brilliant!

Year 4 - Caspian Szczziel for an excellent Lego-themed Maths board game design, including written instructions.

Year 5 - Zoe Furmanczyk for a consistently positive attitude and dedication to all aspects of school life.

Year 6 - Anya Strickland for diligence and attention to detail completing annotated Advent Wreath learning.

Attendance

Week commencing: November 21 st						
REC	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
96%	92.7%	95.6%	97.7%	97.7%	91.3%	94.5%

Congratulations go to Years 3 and 4

this week for the best attendance.



Rewards-House Points

1 st	1 st	3rd	4th
St Dominic 155	St Bernadette 155	St Francis 146	St Lucy 139

Well done St. Dominic and St Bernadette House. You were tied as the winning houses this week.

Friends of St Norbert's News

Thank You to all those who boogied on down at last Friday's disco, fun was had by all. The Friends would like to let you know that £150 raised from this event will be donated to Children in Need, which also took place last Friday. This is a fantastic charity supporting disadvantaged children and young people in the UK, so Thank You.

With December fast approaching, letters will be going out this week inviting children to meet Father Christmas. He will be taking time out of his busy schedule to come to St Norbert's, in his travelling sleigh, to spread some Christmas cheer. Please return your reply slip if your child would like to join in this event.

Tickets will be on sale at this year's Nativity Plays and Carol Service for our Christmas raffle. A Christmas M&S hamper is available to win amongst other prizes. Please support to help The Friends raise money for our school. Tickets will be drawn at the end of the Church Carol Service on Thursday, 15th December.

Outdoor Learning

For outdoor learning in Year 6, they have been making a 3D Nativity scene using natural resources such as leaves, sticks and logs. People who were not working on the Nativity scene made stained glass windows of Jesus in a stable. 'I enjoyed making it because we were able to roam the outdoor learning area to find things that may be

useful.' said Angelika (a Year 6 pupil). A group of pupils were chosen to make a Kaleidoscope cous cous to share with the class at the end of the session. The cous cous contained vegetables such as peppers, tomatoes and spring onions.

-By Adria Grikstaite,
Takeover Day Head Teacher



Maths Corner Challenge



Guess my Number

1. I am a 2-digit number. I am more than $6 +$

6. I am less than $8 + 8$. I am even.

What number am I?

2. I am greater than 40. I am less than 50.

My ones digit is the number of sides on a triangle. What number am I?

3. I am greater than 70. I am less than 90.

My ones digit is 1 less than my tens digit. I am not 76.

What number am I?

Play 'Guess My Number' with your family and friends.

English Challenge

Three little words you often see are ARTICLES: *a*, *an*, and *the*

Circle the articles in each sentence below.

a) After the argument they all went home.

b) We saw a magnificent polar bear.

c) Eating an apple can help keep you healthy.

d) When the dog ran, it was tired.

e) They saw an enormous elephant.

f) Eating a banana can keep you healthy.

g) The moon orbits the earth once every twenty-seven days.

For each sentence below, circle the article that you believe is the best choice.

a) Karl sometimes makes the / a / an mistake.

b) The / a / an queen lives in the / a / an palace.

c) Please don't move the / a / an books on that table

d) He said he would come the / a / an minute that he finished doing the dishes.

e) I'd like to find the / a / an book to read

f) I asked him to pass me the / a / an apple from the bowl.



Prayers please!

Do not worry,
But in prayer
Ask God for what you need
With thankful heart
And simple trust
God is Lord indeed.

Then peace
Far wider than the sky
And deeper than the sea
Will fill your heart
And soul and mind
Now and eternally. Amen
(Based on Philippians 4:6-7)

Mr J Burns

Headteacher