

Mrs. Sandy Dilks – Upper School Science Teacher (Celebrating six years)

What is your professional background? I have a B.S. degree in Medical Technology from Ohio State University. I am in my fifth year of teaching at Saint Norbert School.

What is your favorite moment at Saint Norbert's so far? There are so many special religious practices and moments that we have at Saint Norbert's, it's hard to name just one. But what really touches me is when all the children gather to say the Rosary. Being able to pray the rosary in our new prayer garden this spring is the icing on the cake – what a sanctuary it is for our community.

What has been your favorite tradition at Saint Norbert's? I love the Nativity that our school performs in the Church every December. It is such a beautiful night to celebrate the Christmas season, and is unmatched by any other Nativity production I've seen. It is nice to be able to see the children perform with such heart, and to see another side of them that I might not necessarily see in the classroom.

What aspect of "Be Your Bulldog Best" appeals to you the most? I like the "best" part, as it conveys to students the importance of always trying your best. What a teacher really wants to see is that a student is trying his or her best, even if that student is not the top performer. A student's demonstration of effort is so important.

Who is your hero? My personal hero is St. Clare of Assisi. She is such a strong role model for women, as she was a pioneer in her era in serving as a leader among women. I also admire how she showed courage throughout her life, regardless of the challenges she faced.