

Monday 23rd May 2016

**St Nicholas Church of England (Controlled)
Primary School - Weekly Newsletter**

Headteacher: Christopher Dale



Dear Parents and Carers,

It is difficult to believe we are already heading towards the final term of the school year. This year has gone so quickly and there are still many events yet to take place.

Huge thanks to all those parents who supported the joint fundraising between Abacus Nursery and the school at the Bingo on Friday night – it was good to see so many there and all obviously enjoying themselves.

Parents of children in Year 1, 3 4 & 5 should have already received their letter inviting them to the Parent Teacher consultations which take place next term. If you have not already done so, please send in your slip indicating your preferred timeslot. Remember, there is an opportunity before the parent consultation to review your child's work to assist parents with the discussions that have to take place. Do make the most of this opportunity to see the work your child has been doing.

With today's newsletter and in subsequent weeks, we will be sending home leaflets published by the National Association of Head Teachers (NAHT) and the charity Family Action. The leaflet entitled: Ready to Learn Every Day! offers advice to parents on activities to support your child's learning at school. This week's leaflet is called: Your child's wellbeing. I hope you find these leaflets useful.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale
Headteacher

School Uniform

We strongly believe that school uniform gives our children a sense of identity and of belonging to the school. It removes the need to keep up with constantly changing and expensive fashion trends. Unfortunately, last week during the finer weather, we became increasingly concerned at a small – but rising number of pupils, who are extending the boundaries of our school uniform.

We ask you, as parents/carers to please support us on this uniform issue and ensure that your son/daughter is appropriately dressed for school in the correct uniform, and that they have the correct equipment with them. We believe firmly that if our children are smartly dressed for school, in a uniform consistent with school policy, they will be prepared for work in the classroom.

Thank you for your continued support in this matter

Dates for your diary

Wed 25th May
EYFS Pirate Day

Fri 27th May –
Term Ends
Messy Church at 3.15pm

Mon 6th June –
Stagecoach bus
company to meet Y6

Tues 7th June –
Year 4 & 5 Parent
/Teacher consultations
4.30 – 7.30pm

Wed 8th June –
Y6 Trip to London
Family First Aid Training
9.30am (1 of 3)
Year 4 & 5 Parent
/Teacher consultations
3.20pm – 6.00pm

Fri 10th June –
Queens 90th Birthday
Lunch – parents
welcome

Wed 15th June – Family
First Aid Training
9.30am (2 of 3)

Tues 21st June –
Year 1 & 3 Parent
/Teacher consultations
4.30 – 7.30pm

Wed 22nd June –
Family First Aid Training
9.30am (3 of 3)
Year 1 & 3 Parent
/Teacher consultations
3.20pm – 6.00pm

Fri 24th June –
French partner school
visiting year 4 & 5
PTFA Bring a Gift non-
uniform day

Fri 1st July – PTFA
Summer Fayre

TERM DATES 2016

Term 6
Starts - Mon 6th June
Ends - Thurs 21st July

INSET Day

The school is closed to children
on this date

Friday 8th July

Busters Book Club

Another great week of reading with 136 children meeting their reading target and 114 of those exceeding their targets. This year as a school we have now read 92936 minutes of reading!



WINNING CLASSES THIS WEEK

Foundation & KS1: - *With greatest improvement of children reading:*

Badgers – 54%

KS2: - *with greatest amount of readers in all KS2 classes:*

KITES – With a staggering 96% WELL DONE KITES CLASS!

CONGRATULATIONS TO BOTH CLASSES

Attendance

Well done to **KITES** class who achieved **97.1%** attendance in the week ending 20th May.

Whole school attendance to 20th May was **94.3%**.

Thank you for realising the importance of sending your child to school every day.



This weeks collective worship focus is:

THE COURAGE TO STAND ALONE

Be on your guard;
stand firm in the faith;
be courageous; be strong.

1 Corinthians 16:13

Romney Marsh Community Church – Friday Club

Meets Friday 6 - 7.30pm
for children in school
years 3 – 6

It's an informal social time
for children to join in with
fun games and activities
and chill together.

Star Awards

Star of the week awards went to: Squirrels: Joshua R, **Otters:** Rhys L-S, **Owls:** Natacha L, **Kites:** Jessica H, **Birch:** Abi L, **Maple:** Edward Clare **Chestnut:** Isabel M



Work to be proud of awards went to: Hedgehogs: Harry G, **Badgers:** Katy L & Eva A, **Eagles:** Skye S, **Kestrels:** Lacey D, **Willow:** Beau G, **Rowan:** Morgan P



Nicholas Bear was awarded to...OWLS CLASS!

Last week at St Nicholas...



The children across the school had an opportunity to engage with some high level thinking and reflection on the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. There is a wonderful display of work in the school hall for parents to see.



The children in year 1 received two free books and a lovely letter of thanks from the publishers Penguin for the wonderful work which they shared with them.

Coffee Morning

We welcome parents, grandparents and carers (including their 0-4yrs) to join us for a regular coffee morning on **Tuesdays 8.30- 9.30am**. Stay 10 minutes or an hour! Children's Centre Staff will be visiting to chat about what's available there for our families. Just come along when you drop your children off and meet new people, have a drink and a chat with us. Lisa Baker, School Family Liaison Officer.

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