



Friday 10th November 2017
St Nicholas CE Primary Academy
Newsletter

Headteacher: Christopher Dale

Dear Parents and Carers,

As parents will be aware, the governing body has decided to set up a Parent Council to help the school find out more about what it is like being a parent at St Nicholas CE Primary Academy and to give parents a chance to meet up together and talk about the things that matter to them. This will be an opportunity to hold a forum for parents organised by parents. I do hope families will take part, giving parents a voice in the school and allowing us to find out what changes and improvements parents would like to see in our school community.

Next week is anti-bullying week. Schools across the UK will be working together to highlight the issues connected with bullying. This year's theme is 'All different, all equal'. To draw attention to this theme and help us launch the week, we would like children to come to school on Tuesday 14th November wearing odd socks. For more information on this important topic and ways in which you can help to promote the week please visit www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale
Headteacher

Pupil led fundraising event.

Over the last term a representative from Project Salus has been working with year 5 children on a participation project. The focus of this project, which was decided upon by the children, has been to organise fundraising events to raise money for the improvement of our school playgrounds. To boost their fundraising they have held a **non school uniform day**.

Thank you on behalf of the Year 5 Participation Project group.

Hannah Franks PSHE Lead/Year 5 teacher.

Attendance – Every Day Counts

Our whole-school attendance so far this year is 95.8%.

Class attendance rates this week (10/11/17) were:			
Hedgehogs	99%	Beech	100%
Squirrels	88.5%	Birch	89.6%
Badgers	92.7%	Chestnut	100%
Otters	98.5%	Maple	94.8%
Hare	94.2%	Willow	94.6%
Fox	96.1%	Elm	100%
Rowan	95.7%	Oak	96%

Well done to BEECH and CHESTNUT for achieving 100% attendance!

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

Dates for your diary

Mon 13th Nov

Anti-bullying week
 further details to follow

Tues 14th Nov

Anti-bullying week wear odd socks day.

Thurs 16th Nov

Year 5 & 6 Marsh Academy Athletics morning – please ensure PE kit is in school

Fri 17th Nov

Children in Need Non-Uniform day suggested donation £1
 Yr 3 Skiing group 3

Tues 21st Nov

Brian Moses able writers' day.

Fri 24th Nov

Yr 3 Skiing group 4

Mon 27th Nov

PTFA – Bring a gift day for non-uniform

Fri 1st Dec

PTFA Christmas Fayre at 3pm



This term's collective worship focus is:

TRUST

"I will bless the person who puts his trust in me."

Jeremiah 17:7

Star Awards



Star of the week awards went to:

Badger: Eileena-Mae G, **Hare:** Megan F, **Rowan:** Douglas H, **Chestnut:** Faye W,
Maple: Tierra V

Online Computer Safety Advice for Key Stage 2 parents

Now the clocks have turned back an hour, the darker evenings often mean an increase in the use of the internet and social media platforms. You should receive via Parent Mail a factsheet all about using parental controls. Setting parental controls will enable you to help your child get the most out of the internet in a safe and controlled manner.

It can seem difficult to keep up-to-date with the technology that children use. You can find out more information and support about digital technologies (including guidance relating to the new music video social networking app '**musical.ly**') by visiting the following websites.



<http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents> and <http://www.common sense media.org>.

Values

Our core values are based on Christian principles and stories found in the Bible. Many of you as parents will have helped us choose our values previously. Our values, while being Christian, can be applied to education and our lives, as well as to sport. These are in our school mission statement and are taught through daily worship, and are touchstones in our daily interactions and expectations:

This term our Key value is Trust. The children are taught the value of this through, openness, transparency, faith, support, family, democracy, supportive challenge, clarity and no conflict of interests.
