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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely break during the school holiday and feel relaxed and ready for the last term of the year. I can't believe how quickly this year has gone!

Over the holidays the school converted to become an academy. I am delighted to inform you that we have joined Aquila the Multi Academy Trust run by the Diocese of Canterbury. From now on the school will be known as **St Nicholas CE Primary Academy**.

As a school we have worked very closely with the Diocese for many years and earlier in 2015 the IEB decided to join the Trust to begin to work even more closely and to strengthen our Christian ethos and commitment.

This term starts with parent teacher consultations for parents of children in years 1, 3, 4 and 5. If you have not already done so please do send in your slip confirming your attendance and take the opportunity to find out how your child is progressing. There is also the chance for you to see the work your child has been doing, before the consultations take place. I feel sure many of you will be really pleased by the progress your child is now making.

If your child is currently in year 5 and you want to apply for a year 7 place at a Kent grammar school you can register your child for the Kent Test. The registration process opened during the half term. The test is devised to assess whether grammar school is a suitable option for your child. We have sent leaflets out for parents with the newsletter.

I look forward to a really enjoyable term and seeing as many of you as possible during different events.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale  
Headteacher

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## Dates for your diary

### June

7<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Kent Test Meeting for parents 3.10pm  
Year 4 & 5 parent teacher consultations 4:30 to 7:30pm  
8<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Trip to London  
Family First Aid Training 9.30am (1 of 3)  
Year 4 & 5 parent teacher consultations 3:20 to 6:00pm  
9<sup>th</sup> Year 5 & 6 Kwik Cricket @ Elham CC  
10<sup>th</sup> Queens 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Lunch, Parents welcome  
15<sup>th</sup> Family First Aid Training 9.30am (2 of 3)  
20<sup>th</sup> Book Character Day – more details to follow  
21<sup>st</sup> Year 1 & 3 parent teacher consultations 4:30 to 7:30pm  
22<sup>nd</sup> Family First Aid Training 9.30am (3 of 3)  
Year 1 & 3 parent teacher consultations 4:30 to 7:30pm

### June

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24<sup>th</sup> French School to visit Year 4/5 classes  
PTFA Non Uniform Day  
28<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Trip to Wingham Wildlife Park

### July

1<sup>st</sup> PTFA Summer Fayre  
5<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Dental Health and Sugar talk  
8<sup>th</sup> **SDD – School Closed to pupils**  
12<sup>th</sup> Marsh Academy Transition for Y6 pupils  
13<sup>th</sup> Marsh Academy Transition for Y6 pupils  
15<sup>th</sup> Year R, 2 & 6 Reports out to parents  
19<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Trip to Bedgebury Pinetum  
20<sup>th</sup> Year R screening tests  
21<sup>st</sup> Last Day of Term

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## Attendance

Well done to Willow class who achieved 98.2% attendance in the week ending 27<sup>th</sup> May.

Each Classes attendance for the year to 27<sup>th</sup> May was:

Hedgehogs	96.01%	Kites	94.91%
Squirrels	93.43%	Kestrels	95.75%
Otters	94.41%	Birch	92.93%
Badgers	94.91%	Maple	94.03%
Eagles	92.92%	Willow	95.92%
Owls	94.01%	Chestnuts	94.41%
		Rowan	93.08%

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

## Coffee Morning

We welcome parents, grandparents and carers (including their 0-4yrs) to join us for a regular coffee morning on **Tuesdays 8.30- 09.30am**. Stay 10 minutes or an hour! Children's Centre Staff will be visiting to chat about what's available there for our families. 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.



This weeks collective worship focus is:  
**WHAT IS PRAYER?**

When you pray, go into your room, close the door & pray to your Father, who is unseen.

**Matthew 6:6**

## 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: Hedgehogs:** Jaiden H, **Badgers:** Aimee B-C, **Eagles:** Maddie R, **Kestrels:** Mia S, **Rowan:** Jack W



**Work to be proud of awards went to: Squirrels:** Brylie H, **Otters:** Lex W, **Owls:** Emily T, **Kites:** Ryan L, **Chestnuts:** Ben B



**Nicholas Bear was awarded to...OTTERS CLASS!**

## Ready to Learn Every Day!

This week's leaflet is called 'Speaking & Listening.'

## Prayer Tree

This week the children at St Nicholas have appeared in the Diocesan Magazine 'Outlook.' The magazine reports on the very successful prayer week we had at the school with our year 5 and 6 children. It is fitting then that at the end of the last term we were presented with a Prayer Tree identical to the one at St Nicholas Church made by Mr Miller who is also the grandparent of two children at the school. Our grateful thanks to Mr Miller for all the hard work and time he has taken in making our prayer tree. We also had the tree blessed by Revd Julie at our start of term Worship today.

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