



Monday 5th December 2016
St Nicholas CE Primary Academy
Weekly Newsletter

Headteacher: Christopher Dale

Dear Parents and Carers,

A huge thank you to all the families who supported the Christmas Fayre. I would also like to add my sincere thanks to the wonderful efforts of the PTFA committee and army of helpers who made sure the whole event ran smoothly, without their help we would not be able to raise much needed funds. We raised an amazing £1736.63!

With all of the Christmas activities taking place over the next few days I hope to be able to welcome as many parents as possible to join us for the Nativity or KS2 Christingle service. Please do not forget the last day of term is 'wear your Christmas Jumper to School day'. All other uniform is to be worn as usual.

As you will see many classes continue to do well in their reading and if you would like to see a video of our school and staff receiving the Challenge award please follow this link - <https://vimeo.com/193615080>

I would like to thank all the parents for their cooperation in not parking on the zigzags outside the school. Moving forward I believe the school needs to continue to work with all stakeholders, and to try to encourage the small minority not to park on the yellow zigzags as they are jeopardising not only the safety of their own children but that of others as well.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale
Headteacher

District Winners of Busters Book Club

Congratulations to Birch Class for gaining the award as the best class across the Shepway District in the Challenge Day. Birch class had a total of over 90% of children reading regularly in their class. Lily & Aidan collected the class award.



House Points - week ending 2/12/16

St Augustine	424	St Nicholas	573
St George	578	St Peter	323

Dates for your diary

Mon 5th Dec
 1:45pm KS1 Nativity

Tues 6th Dec
 9.30am KS1 Nativity
 1.45pm St Nicholas Day Assembly at Church

Wed 7th Dec
 Pantomime Performances provided by the PTFA

Fri 9th Dec
 PTFA Christmas Disco
 KS1 5pm - 6pm
 KS2 6:30pm – 7:45pm

Mon 12th Dec
 Giving Tree Assembly
 2pm Carols & Cake

Tues 13th Dec
 KS1 Christmas Parties
 10am Balloon Release

Wed 14th Dec
 School Christmas Dinner Day

Thurs 15th Dec
 KS2 Christmas Parties

Fri 16th Dec
 Wear your Christmas Jumper Day
 9.30am KS2 End of Term Carol Service

End of term

Children return to school on Tuesday 3rd January 2017



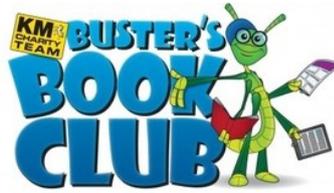
Busters Book Club

Last week we were looking for the highest number of **additional minutes** read.

Badgers were winners in KS1 with **73%** of children meeting or exceeding the reading target. &

Willow are winners in KS2 with **60%** - this class has improved the most!

CONGRATULATIONS TO BOTH CLASSES



This week's collective worship focus is:

ADVENT

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light!

Isaiah 9:2

Attendance – Every Day Counts

School attendance is vital for young people to reach their full potential and is therefore a priority for St Nicholas Academy.

Please remember that our doors open at 8.35 and the school day starts at 8.45 – being in school on time ensures that your child is ready to start the day the right way.

Our whole-school attendance so far this year is 96.3%.

Class attendance rates last week			
Hedgehogs	97.8%	Kites	94.5%
Squirrels	94.1%	Chestnut	96.5%
Badgers	98.3%	Birch	96.7%
Otters	95.5%	Maple	94.2%
Owls	97.9%	Willow	93.8%
Eagles	97.5%	Rowan	93.5%
Kestrels	96.9%	Beech	98.3%

The class with the best punctuality was Willow with no Lates.

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

Stepping Stones at St Nicholas Church

For Pre-school Children, Parents & Carers – we meet every Wednesday, 1.45pm – 2.45pm, weekly during term times for Food, Fun and Fellowship.

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: Lillian D, Otters: Harry D, Eagles: Janani S, Kestrels: Angel P, Birch: Valentine L, Willow: Rosie E, Rowan: Olivia S, Beech: Samuel D

Work to be proud of awards went to:

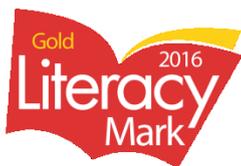
Hedgehogs: Millie-Grace S-R, Badgers: Jaiden H, Owls: Devan W, Kites: Samuel K, Chestnut: Jessica H, Maple: Loui-Joe N



Our Current Value is, **RESPECT**



Caring enough to think about others!



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