Friday 3rd May 2019
St Nicholas CE Primary Academy
Weekly Newsletter
Headteacher: Christopher Dale

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to announce the safe delivery of Miss Common's (Mrs Dunton's) twins. The children – Xander and Saskia are doing very well and as you can see from the photo below, mother and father are very proud. Also our congratulations to Mrs Darling who has announced she is expecting her second child and will be going on maternity leave at the end of the school year. We are sure you will join with us in wishing both Miss Common and Mrs Darling congratulations on their recent announcements.

Over the holiday the school website has been updated. Please do take the time to look at the class pages and find out about the topics your child will be covering this term. As a school we work very hard to make sure parents are kept fully informed about your child's learning. Remember to look at the school curriculum pages as well. Please look out for our Parent Council Page and our Sports pages, where you can read about the success of the school. If you think there is anything missing or perhaps some additional information we could add we would love to receive your feedback.

Have a good Bank Holiday weekend.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale
Headteacher

Herald Cup
Last night was the semifinal of the Herald Cup. St Nicholas took on local school Greatstone. The match was played in tremendous spirit and was a credit to the children of both schools. It was end to end football. The score at the end of normal time was 1-1 and after extra time 2-2. Greatstone were the eventual winners by penalties. While the boys were devastated to be knocked out in this way, they showed real perseverance and determination of spirit in their play demonstrating the qualities of respect and gamesmanship. Our congratulations to Greatstone in getting to the final of the cup but a real well done to the St Nicholas Football Team for playing with such pride. Our thanks to all the adults who have supported them this term.

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Attendance – Every Day Counts

It is essential that your child comes to school <u>on time</u> every day.
Learning begins immediately with Early Morning Work when the class doors open at 8.35am when many additional interventions are also scheduled for this time, <u>which may include your child.</u>

Our whole-school attendance this week was 96.1%

Class attendance rates this week			
Hedgehog	94.6%	Rowan	95%
Squirrel	98.3%	Beech	97.4%
Badger	93%	Birch	99.6%
Otter	97%	Maple	92.9%
Fox	94.8%	Willow	96.9%
Hare	95.5%	Oak	96.9%
Chestnut	98.9%	Elm	93.9%

Well done this week to

- ### Squirrel
- ### Birch

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

Absence Reporting
To report your child's absence please use ParentMail under 'Notify Absence' or leave a message on the school's absence line 01797 363118.

Uniform
A reminder that all children are required to wear school uniform. Trainers are not acceptable items of footwear and children should not be wearing sweaters or cardigans which do not have a school logo.
There are a number of items currently available in our lost property box next to the school office if you believe your child has misplaced their uniform feel free to check the box.
We would also like to remind parents that on health and safety grounds we do not allow children to wear jewellery to school other than small stud earrings and watches.
Please check the school website for uniform guidance. https://www.st-nicholas-newromney.kent.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/School-Uniform-Policy-2016.pdf

Key events this term
As a school we realise that many parents have to make arrangements to ensure they are able to join their children for whole school events. Some of our key events this term are as follows:
- Stay and Play for our new entrants starts on **Tuesday 14th & Thursday 16th** May for 6 weeks
- Friday 24th May – **St Augustine's House** – Blue House – **non uniform day**
- Week beginning 10th June – **Year 1 Phonics Screen all week**
- Friday 14th June – **KS1 Fathers Day afternoon**, fathers, grandfathers, uncles and brothers welcome
- Week beginning 24th June – Healthy Living Week
- Monday 24th June - **non uniform** – come as your favourinte sports star
- Wednesday 26th June - Aquila Schools Football Tournament at Maidstone
- Thursday 27th June – **Sports Day** KS1 morning/ KS2 afternoon
- Friday 28th June - **St Peter's House** – Yellow House – **non uniform day**
- Tuesday 2nd July – **Saint Josephs School, Lille France to visit**.
- Thursday 4th July – **whole school Open Evening 6pm - 8pm**
- Friday 5th July – reports out to parents
- Monday 8th July – **whole school transition day – meet the new teacher**
- Friday 12th July – Bastille celebrations
- Thursday 18th July – whole school **'Party in the Park'** picnic day – families welcome

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