



Friday 12th July 2019
St Nicholas CE Primary Academy
Weekly Newsletter
Headteacher: Christopher Dale

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of this academic year it is with great pride that I can look back at the many achievements of the children. They have worked so hard and with every changing demand made on us by a new and challenging curriculum which was recognised by OFSTED.

The many values that have been on display throughout the year have particularly come to the fore as we end the term – perseverance when tackling a particularly tricky problem whether it is in class or a problem between friends; trust when learning to coping with changes; respect towards all members of the school community; friendship for each other and all the opportunities they are given within the school – which all strengthen their character and their ability to make the most of every aspect of school life.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff for their hard work this year. It has been a year of changes and they have embraced this with goodwill and continued to provide the best education for the children.

I would also like to thank all parents and carers for their support this year. A great deal of what we do in school cannot be achieved without you and your co-operation and backing. Many thanks and we look forward to working more closely with you from September.

This term we say goodbye to a longstanding member of the St Nicholas Team. Mrs Elaine Spink, Senior Midday Supervisor and cleaner will be retiring at the end of next week and we would like to wish her all the very best in her new adventures.

Finally I would like to wish all children who are leaving us at the end of this academic year all the very best on their journey. It also gives me great pride that I can now say that they have all had a great start here at St Nicholas and know that they will go on to achieve great things in the future

On behalf of the whole team at St Nicholas I would like to wish all our families a happy summer break.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Fri 12th
PoPA Film night at 6pm

Sat 13th
Year 6 Prom Night

Mon 15th
Year 6 Production to the Whole School

Tues 16th
Year 6 Production at 9.30am to Family & Friends - Ticket only

Wed 17th
Year 5 Rounders at Marsh Academy 1pm - 3pm
Year 6 Production at 6:30pm to family & friends - Ticket only

Thurs 18th
Year 6 Trip to Chessington
Year 2 - Pirate Day dress as a pirate!

Fri 19th
Party in the Park - weather dependant - if it is fine, we will start at 11.50am with school gates opening for a whole school picnic



Attendance – Every Day Counts

It is essential that your child comes to school on time 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, which may include your child.



This term's collective worship focus is:
TRUST

Our whole-school attendance this YEAR has been 95.3%.

Class attendance rates this YEAR			
Hedgehog	94.2%	Rowan	94.2%
Squirrel	94.5%	Beech	95.2%
Badger	95.7%	Birch	95.7%
Otter	94.3%	Maple	95.6%
Fox	95.3%	Willow	94%
Hare	96.2%	Oak	96.5%
Chestnut	96%	Elm	94.6%

Well done this YEAR to:

- Hare
- Oak

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

Star Awards



Star of the week awards went to:

Squirrel: Charlie B, **Hare:** Madison S, **Rowan:** Freya M, **Birch:** Edward M,
Maple: Megan M, **Oak:** Hayden S

Nicholas Bear was awarded to FOX – well done!

Party in the Park

On **Friday 19th July from 11.50am** you are invited to join us for a summer's afternoon of music and much more in the school grounds. Entertainment will be provided by pupils from Reception through to Year 6 in Drama, Dance and Music; This is a great opportunity for us to meet together as a whole school at the end of the academic year and we look forward to sharing our students' talents with as many of you as possible.

The afternoon events will start with a whole school picnic, to which parents, grandparents and the wider family are welcome to attend and then be entertained by the children.

This event is dependent upon the weather and unfortunately if it needs to be cancelled we will not have time to rearrange this event!

THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE!

The Summer Reading Challenge 2019 starts TOMORROW (13th July) at our local library! To take part children will need to sign up at their nearest library where they will be given a collector folder!
<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

The Reading Agency and Libraries Present
SPACE CHASE
Summer Reading Challenge 2019

Landing at all Inspire libraries this summer...
Join our super space family, The Rockets, for a thrilling mission to track down books nabbed by mischievous aliens!

13 July to 8 Sept

Completely free to join, the **Summer Reading Challenge** invites children **aged 4 to 11 years**, to read six library books of their choice, collecting rewards (including special stickers!) along the way.



The Summer Reading Challenge is the UK's biggest free reading for pleasure event for children. It is run by the national charity [The Reading Agency](http://www.readingagency.org.uk) in partnership with the UK public library network.

Community Friendship Perseverance Ambition Respect Trust

The aim of the Challenge is to encourage children to read any six books of their choice from their library during the summer holidays.

The Challenge offers children and families an enjoyable activity in the six-week summer break from school when reading skills and confidence can dip, commonly known as the 'summer slide'. Children receive special rewards each time they finish a book and there's a certificate for everyone who completes the Challenge.

CAN WE BE THE SCHOOL WHICH HAS THE GREATEST NUMBER OF CHILDREN TAKE PART?

District Sports – Champions for the second year!

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the District Sports. The school came joint first for the second year running. A remarkable achievement.

Results from the day

Heats

Year 5/6 80m heat	Leo N	1 st place	Mia S	4 th place
Year 3/4 70m heat	George R	1 st place	Lily-May S-R	2 nd place
Year 5/6 boys relay	Leo N, Oscar W, Hayden S, Brody R			3 rd place
Year 5/6 girls relay	Sophie B, Rebecca C, Angel Pr, Mia S			2 nd place
Year 3/4 relay	Lily-May S-R, Jaiden S, Maya M, Jacob R, Boglar B-G, George R			2 nd place
400m	Leo N	3 rd place	Mollie V	4 th place

Championship Finals

Boys 80m	Leo N	1 st place
Girls 70m	Lily-May S-R	1 st place
Boys 70m	George R	2 nd place
Year 3/4 Mixed Relay		4 th place
Year 5/6 Girls Relay		2 nd place

Javelin

Rhys L	17m 20	1 st place
Mia S	14m 20	1 st place

Long Jump

Joseph Y-S	80	2 nd place
Mollie V	77	1 st place



1st place (joint) as a school team!