



**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2019**  
**St Nicholas CE Primary Academy**  
**Weekly Newsletter**

**Headteacher: Christopher Dale**

Dear parents and carers,

It was lovely seeing so many of you at the Open Class sessions earlier this week; I hope you found it helpful and informative. For those parents who were unable to attend the event presentations should have all been posted on Class Dojo by now for you to see.

Thank you to everyone who has remembered the school uniform policy; the children all look very smart. Please can I remind parents that earrings should be small studs only and bows and ribbons need to follow the school colours.

At St Nicholas CE Primary Academy our Christian Values underpin all aspects of our academy life. Our core values shape our culture and reflect what we champion and what we want to achieve for our pupils, our school and the wider community. Our School Values are;

- Ambition
- Community
- Friendship
- Perseverance
- Respect
- Trust

This term's School Value is Ambition. We will encourage our pupils to become ambitious for themselves and their community. We will encourage all pupils to understand their responsibilities to each other, the school and the wider community. Pride, respect and high aspirations are valued and developed. Children are encouraged to be in school regularly and on time to work cooperatively and share with others. These are skills we would look for parents to develop and help their child with as well to ensure they can succeed.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale

**Headteacher**

**MacMillian Coffee Morning**

We would like to invite all our families in helping this worthwhile cause by joining us on **FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER** from **8:30am** onwards for coffee and cake.

There will be an opportunity to meet our new SENCo Mrs Starmer-Smith, Clair Seiver who will be able to talk to parents about her new role as a Learning Mentor as well as meet with Mrs Turner the Deputy Head and the Headteacher. It will also be a great opportunity for parents to meet up as well. Help us smash last year's fundraiser. If you would like to make a cake for the event please bring them into school on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September.



**Dates for your diary**

**September 2019**

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup>**

**SDD** - school closed to children

**Mon 23<sup>rd</sup>**

9.30am Harvest Festival Church service - parents welcome

**Tues 24<sup>th</sup>**

Year 6 start Bushcraft residential

**Fri 27<sup>th</sup>**

8.30am MacMillian Coffee Morning - all welcome

Year 6 return from Bushcraft residential

**Mon 30<sup>th</sup>**

6.30pm Parent Council meeting

**October 2019**

**Wed 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Y2 & Y3 speed stacking, Marsh Academy 1-3pm

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup>**

Y3 – Y6 cross country at Three Hills

**Tues 15<sup>th</sup>**

Individual pupil photos

**Wed 16<sup>th</sup>**

Y1 Multiskills at Marsh Academy 1-3pm

**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup>**

Year 6 PESE (11+) results released

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup>**

End of Term

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Children return to school**

Start of MATHS WEEK

KS1 Maths Workshops

**Tues 29<sup>th</sup>**

KS2 Maths Workshops

**Wed 30<sup>th</sup>**

Multiplication Mastermind afternoon

**Thurs 31<sup>st</sup>**

Year 6 PESE secondary school applications close today



## 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:  
**AMBITION**

Our whole school attendance this week was 94.3%.

Class attendance rates this week			
Hedgehog	94.2%	Rowan	93%
Squirrel	94.7%	Beech	96.5%
Badger	86.7%	Birch	92.6%
Otter	90.9%	Maple	96.8%
Fox	98.4%	Willow	92.4%
Hare	97.9%	Oak	91.8%
Chestnut	97.7%	Elm	97.3%

## Well done this week to

- Fox
- Chestnut

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

## Star Awards



Star of the week awards went to:

**Badger:** Frankie W, **Fox:** Ivy M, **Rowan:** William T, **Birch:** Stevie P, **Willow:** Maya M,  
**Oak:** Angel P

## Trips

Parents will be aware from the calendar sent out last week that we have already set the date for some trips and outings in the school year. Please note at the moment these are provisional dates and may change.

This year we will be letting parents know of the cost of the trips as soon as they have been booked. We hope that by doing this, it will allow families to plan and budget for these worthwhile activities.

## School Dinners

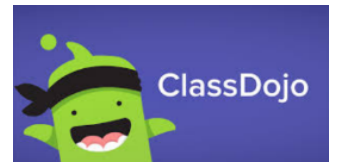
School lunches cost £2.20 per day or £11.00 a week. Lunches must be paid for on the Monday for the week ahead. They can be found on ParentMail under "Payments" then "Shop".

## Class Dojo

At St Nicholas we use Class Dojo to keep in touch with you about school events, send reminders and send celebratory messages about learning and community activities.

Some of the features include;

- Class Story - general class news and celebrations, reminders and updates.
- School Story - news from across the school, on the day it happens, informing you about whole school events, sporting results and other whole school information and updates.



*Now the new school year has started many parents may need to log back in to their Dojo Account to be able to see their child's new class. If you have not already done this we suggest you log out and then sign back in, that way the system will find your child's new class.*

## House Captain's



Children have now voted for their House Captains. Amongst various responsibilities of showing guests around the school and meeting with Governors, the children will also collect and collate House Points on a weekly basis. House Points are awarded for excellent learning and effort but also for manners and demonstrating the St Nicholas way. This year's House Captains are: **St Augustine** – Kyra & Rhys, **St George** – Skye & Samuel, **St Peter** – Jessica & Owen, **St Nicholas** – Bronwyn & Max L