Friday 18th October 2019 St Nicholas CE Primary Academy Weekly Newsletter

Headteacher: Christopher Dale

Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe how quickly term 1 has passed. Here we are again at the end of another term and I would like to add a 'thank you' to all the staff who have worked incredibly hard this term to support each child. Without the dedication of the whole team, the school would not continue to move forward from strength to strength.

We are fortunate again to have many exciting activities taking place next term especially our Maths Week. I cannot ever remember a time when I have asked parents to support the curriculum teaching in this school financially but I would be grateful if parents would be able to support a fantastic venture such as this one. Please see details contained within the newsletter.

As ever, have an enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale Headteacher

School Open Day

On Thursday 7th November 2019 the school will be holding an Open Day for prosepctive new parents. Please do let any parent you know of this opportunity to visit the school on this date. Further details below. Thank you.



Dates for your diary

Mon 28th Oct

Children return to school Start of MATHS WEEK KS2 Maths workshops

Tues 29th Oct EYFS & KS1 Maths workshops

Wed 30th Oct

Multiplication
Mastermind afternoon

Thurs 31st Oct

Year 6 secondary school applications close today

November 2019

Wed 6th

Y6 Cathedral Schools Day at Canterbury Cathedral

Wed 6th

Y3 Group 1 Skiing

Thurs 7th

OPEN MORNING at 10:30am for prospective YR parents

Mon 11th

National Height & Weight Measurement for YR & Y6 pupils

3pm-3:45pm Open Classes

Wed 13th

Y3 & Y4 Sportshall Athletics 9:30am–1pm at Marsh Academy

Thurs 14th

Parent /Teacher Consultations -YR from 1pm Y1-Y6 from 3:30pm

Mon 18th

Flu vaccinations



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, which may include your child.



Our whole-school attendance this week was 93.4%

Class attendance rates this week			
Hedgehog	86.8%	Rowan	93%
Squirrel	90.9%	Beech	90.4%
Badger	96.7%	Birch	93.5%
Otter	97.6%	Maple	95.2%
Fox	88.8%	Willow	93.1%
Hare	91.6%	Oak	95.6%
Chestnut	94.8%	Elm	90.4%

Well done this week to

- Otter
- Badger

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

Star Awards



Star of the week awards went to:

Badger: Logan P, Fox: Bailey M, Rowan: Freddie S, Birch: Frankie P,

Willow: Aimee B-C, Elm: Lexxi V

Nicholas Bear was awarded to OTTER – well done!

Year 6 - Secondary Transfer September 2020 Admissions

If your child is currently in Year 6 they are due to transfer from primary to secondary school in September 2020. You need to apply for a secondary school place **NOW**. The deadline for submitting applications is **Thursday 31**st **October 2019**. Applications should be made online at https://kent.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/ParentPortal/default.aspx

If you do not make your application on time the Local Authority will decide which school your child will attend.

Oxford Owl

All of our children now have access to e-books on their tablets or computers – completely free of charge! For some of the stories, there is also an audio version so children can read along whilst listening to the story being read to them. All you have to do is log onto the website: www.oxfordowl.co.uk Login details are available from class teachers.



Harvest Visit



Yesterday we shared the donations we received from our Harvest festival with the community.

Thank you to everyone who made donations to our Harvest collection this year.

Pupils had a lovely time meeting and talking with members of the Romney Marsh Day Centre.

Maths Week - w/b 28th October 2019

There are many exciting activities taking place during Maths week. They are as follows;

Monday 28th October: KS2 maths workshop

Tuesday 29th October: EYFS & KS1 maths workshop Wednesday 30th October: Year 5 and 6 parent workshops

Multiplication Mastermind Maths activities after school

Thursday 31st October: EYFS, KS1, Years 3 & 4 parent workshop

Maths activities after school

Friday 1st November: Maths dress up day

Ideas for the dress up day include -







Or check this out for other ideas...<u>https://www.theschoolrun.com/no-sew-mathematical-costumes-for-maths-week</u>

We would be so grateful if parents could support us with the workshops taking place over Maths Week with a voluntary donation of £2 per pupil – please make your donation via ParentMail – thank you in advance.

Netball mums!

St Nicholas Netball Mums meet at the Marsh Academy on Wednesday nights 7.30pm - 8.30pm. We are active parents enjoying a fun friendly game. Meet new friends, have a laugh and get fit together.

All abilities welcome. We would love to have more parents (mums) join us.



