



**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020**  
**St Nicholas CE Primary Academy**  
**Weekly Newsletter**

**Headteacher: Christopher Dale**

Dear parents and carers,

We have had a fantastic week of learning here at St Nicholas. This week has seen the children take part in a number of sporting events all of which have made us feel very proud of their performance and dedication. They have been true to the school value of perseverance. The children also had a really enjoyable World Book Day yesterday. The number of home-made costumes this year was amazing thank you! All of the children should have received a World Book Day voucher – please do take the time to share the gift of a book with your child over the coming week. The whole focus of our day in amongst the fun was to celebrate the joy and love of reading. Mrs Lilly also set each class with the task of turning their classroom door into a book cover – at the end of the newsletter we have included some of the doors made by children for parents to see.

As a school we now receive daily updates with the Government response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). We have been reporting these to parents via Class Dojo. If you have any concerns regarding this virus please see the updates provided in the first instance and if you need to contact the Government's helplines for advice.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale  
**Headteacher**

**Sporting Success**

Huge congratulations to all those who took part in the Year 3 to 6 Cross Country on Wednesday this week. I am delighted to report that out of 120 runners all of our pupils finished in the top 30. In the Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 events both of the teams medaled with second place.



A big well done to all those who took part in the football events this week. Well done to Team B for winning the developmental league on Monday at Three Hills! Also a well done to Team A who played against some tough opposition in their group. In the Herald Cup this week the school football team played against Palmarsh Primary School and ran out 6 – 0 winners.

**Dates for your diary**

**March**

**Mon 9<sup>th</sup>**

YR-Y2 Fun Factory  
3:15 – 4:15pm Pop  
Lacrosse Club

**Tues 10<sup>th</sup>**

Y4 Tennis

**Wed 11<sup>th</sup>**

1-3pm Active Health  
Conference at Marsh  
Academy

**Thurs 12<sup>th</sup>**

Herald Cup vs  
Dymchurch at Marsh  
Academy KO 3:45pm

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup>**

3:15 – 4:15pm Pop  
Lacrosse Club

**Tues 17<sup>th</sup>**

Y4 Tennis (final week)

**Wed 18<sup>th</sup>**

3:15 – 4:15pm Tri Golf  
club

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

Mother's Day  
Celebrations  
KS2 - 9:15am at St Nicholas  
Church  
KS1 - 2pm in classrooms

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

3:15 – 4:15pm Pop  
Lacrosse Club

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

Herald Cup vs Lydd at  
Marsh Academy KO  
3:45pm

**Wed 25<sup>th</sup>**

Y6 Sailing - Group 1  
3:15 – 4:15pm Tri Golf  
club

**Thurs 26<sup>th</sup>**

Reception Fun Day at  
Marsh Academy 1-3pm



## Attendance – Every Day Counts

*It is extremely important that children are on time for school so that they have a settled and productive start to their morning. When children are frequently late for school this adds up to lost learning time.*

*Arriving 5 mins late every day adds up to over three days lost each year*

*Arriving 15 minutes late every day adds up to two weeks absence a year*

*Arriving 30 minutes late every adds up to nineteen days absence a year*

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.

Please be in school on time - lateness affects everyone's learning



This term's collective worship focus is:

### **FRIENDSHIP**

"Do to others as you would have them do to you."

**Luke 6:31**

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

## Star Awards



Star of the week awards went to:

**Squirrel:** Archie A, **Badger:** Reggie P, **Hare:** Freya P, **Rowan:** George G,

**Beech:** Fraser D, **Maple:** Janani S, **Elm:** Morgan B

**Nicholas Bear** was awarded to Mrs Turner's Maths group – well done!

## Reminder – British Science Week – March 2020

As part of British Science Week we have planned an exciting week for the children starting on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March**. The theme of the week will be 'our diverse planet'. We have lots of activities planned to get the children excited and engaged about Science.

To kick start our Science Week we will be holding a 'crazy scientist'

dressing up day at the start of the week (Monday 9<sup>th</sup>) where we ask the children to come to school dressed as a mad scientist.

**There will be a prize for the most original costume for KS1 and KS2. We would also like to request a £1 donation on this day to assist us with the purchase of additional resources we will need for the week.** If you need help for ideas type *crazy scientist dress up days* into Google and search images.



## Maths Timestables

Our focus on timestables across the school continues in order to ensure that children have rapid recall of these key facts. We use manipulatives, resources and engaging games to support children's understanding. Please encourage your children to log in and use Timestables Rock Stars regularly.



If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals please apply for your child on the KCC website:

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/free-school-meals>

## ParentMail

Please make sure you check your ParentMail regularly for updates, school messages and consent forms.

ParentMail

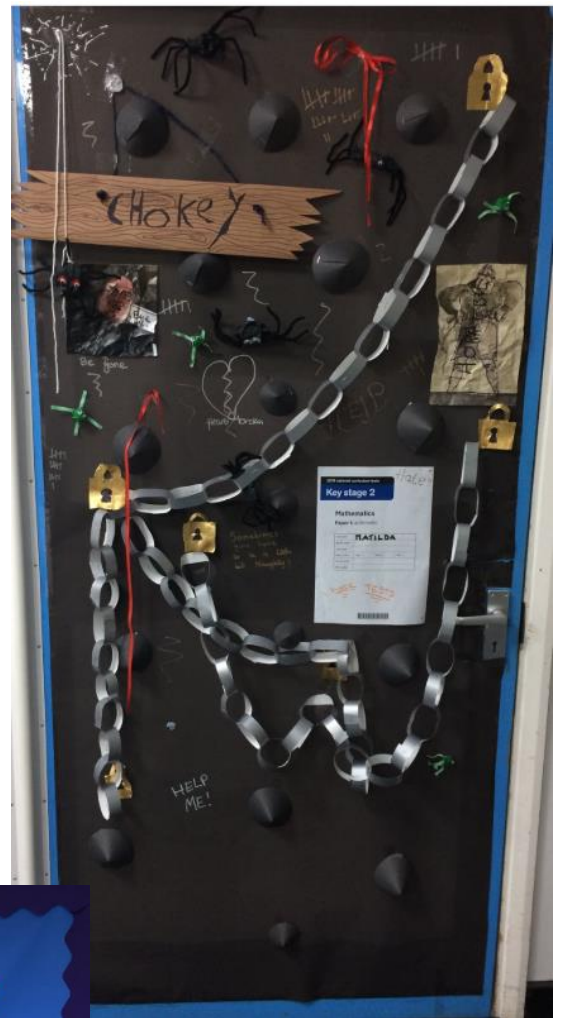
It's an easy, convenient way to receive school messages

To register contact the school office for more details

# World Book Day Doors



Year 5 – Willow



Year 2 – Fox

Year 6 – Elm

