



**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020**  
**St Nicholas CE Primary Academy**  
**Newsletter**

**Headteacher: Christopher Dale**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another great week of learning last week across the school with so much set to take place in this the final week of the autumn term.

Unfortunately, we have not been able to do many of our planned Christmas activities such as the KS1 Nativity, Christingle Carol Concert, the Choir visits to the New Romney Day Centre to name but a few, due to the restrictions we must work with to keep everyone safe. That said the children will still have their Christmas parties and Christmas dinners this week and these will all take place in the children's bubbles. Much thought has gone into this to ensure we keep the children as safe as we can.

Normally during Christmas parties, we allow the children to bring in home clothes for the afternoon, this year we will allow children to come to school in home clothes. On Friday for our Christmas Dinner and Jumper day school uniform is to be worn with the Christmas Jumper. On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December, the whole **school will finish at 3pm** so I would be grateful if everyone on that afternoon uses the correct gate.

There is no doubt about it, this has been one of the strangest school terms of my entire career, as it has for many professions, however I must say how grateful I have been to have the support of the staff and all our families in what has been a difficult year for so many.

As this will be the last newsletter of the year I would like to wish you all a Happy Christmas and I look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda

Christopher Dale  
**Headteacher**

**Star of the Week Awards**

Congratulations to all our Star of the Week award winners last week.

**Squirrels:** Jude W-S, **Hedgehog:** Aurora K-H,  
**Otter:** Jack O **Badger:** Lily C  
**Hare:** Livvy B, **Fox:** Ernest P,  
**Rowan:** Layton S, **Chestnut:** Harley C  
**Beech:** George G, **Birch:** Rose R  
**Maple:** Fraser D, **Willow:** Harley M  
**Oak:** Emily O **Elm:** Janani S



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and see our sporting achievements on @cep\_sport

**Dates for your diary**

Below are key dates for your diary which have been set as reminders via the Class Dojo Events pages.

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Is your child starting school in Sept 2021? -  
Tours at 4.30pm and 5.30pm

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Christmas around the world celebrations at school

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

Rotary Club Father Christmas visit – this has been cancelled due to tier 3 guidance

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

Year Group Christmas Parties & own clothes

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Christmas Jumper Day  
Christmas Dinner Day

**End of Term at 3pm**

**Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021**

Children return to school



For all of our most up to date information on term dates please see the school website

[www.st-nicholas-newromney.kent.sch.uk](http://www.st-nicholas-newromney.kent.sch.uk)



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## 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 many additional interventions are also scheduled for this time, which may include your child as part of our 'catch-up' programme.



This term's collective worship focus is:  
**COMMUNITY**

Our whole-school attendance this week was 94.8%.

Class attendance rates this week			
Hedgehog	95.1%	Chestnut	96.5%
Squirrel	96.7%	Birch	97.5%
Badger	84.9%	Beech	89.3%
Otter	89.2%	Maple	98.3%
Fox	88.8%	Willow	99%
Hare	97.9%	Oak	98.6%
Rowan	98.8%	Elm	98.2%

## Well done this week to

- Hare
- Willow

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

## Reverse Advent Collection



We have been overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity shown for our Reverse Advent. We cannot thank our community enough for the huge array of gifts to help those who need our love and support at this special time of the year. The Rainbow Centre Folkestone will be collecting everything we have on Tuesday. Once again we would like to thank all who contributed – your generosity has surpassed all expectation. THANK YOU



## Year Group Focus

This week we are sharing work from Year R. Last week the Reception class children had a visit from Santa's Elves who told them all about his workshop. The Year R workshop has been very busy. The children have been wrapping presents, writing labels and they're being delivered by Santa and his sleigh!



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## **New Romney Old School House - Art Competition**

Well done to Jess, Nieve & Gracie who were winners in the New Romney Old School House Competition. They each received a certificate and a £10 book voucher and will have their artwork displayed for all to see. Every child who took part also received a bag of chocolate coins.



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**On behalf of the Governors and all the staff at  
St Nicholas CE Primary Academy  
We would like to wish our families a Safe and Happy Christmas  
& all the very best for a better New Year in 2021**



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