



Friday 23rd April 2021

St Nicholas CE Primary Academy

Weekly Newsletter

Headteacher: Christopher Dale

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, I do hope you all had a peaceful and happy Easter break. It is so lovely to have all the children back at school in a 'normal' start to the term. Welcome to our ten new families who have joined us this term. I hope you have a long and enjoyable time at St Nicholas.

While the children have been on holiday we have had a number of changes across the school and I would like to thank Mr Leech and the premises staff for working so hard to get things done for the benefit and safety of the children in our community. We are also pleased to let parents know that we have secured a grant of over £3000 for a new cycle shelter and we are hopeful that this will be up and running soon.



Above – the Worship Garden and the new school sign outside the school office.

It has been another very busy week at St Nicholas. This week has included some of our normal timetable activities resuming as a result of the changes in the government roadmap. I was pleased to be able to take Year 4 to their paddle boarding sessions this week and I look forward to other sessions in the future.



From today members of the school Leadership Team and I will be having meetings with all the teachers across the school holding Pupil Progress Meetings. We discuss every child's progress and attainment in reading, writing and maths. The meeting also focuses on identifying the children that have not made the necessary progress and deciding what will be done to ensure we target these pupils and the outcomes we would like.

As part of that meeting, staff are asked questions about support for the child at home. When reviewing reading we will continue to seek support from parents by making sure you hear your child read regularly. All we are asking of parents is for them to read with their child 4 times a week in a bid to ensure they reach the best possible outcome.

Wishing you all the best for a safe weekend

Christopher Dale
Headteacher



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Dates for your diary

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

April
26th April to 30th April
Science Week

Wed 28th
Year 4 Group 2 Stand Up Paddle Boarding

Fri 30th
Year 2 Tennis

May
Mon 3rd
BANK HOLIDAY –
SCHOOL CLOSED

Wed 5th
Year 4 Group 3 Stand Up Paddle Boarding

Fri 7th
Year 2 Tennis

Tues 11th
Year R Vision screening & national child measurement programme

Wed 12th
Year 5 Group 1 Windsurfing

Mon 17th
Year 6 Bushcraft Residential all week

Wed 19th
Year 5 Group 2 Windsurfing

Wed 26th
Year 5 Group 3 Windsurfing

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

www.st-nicholas-newromney.kent.sch.uk



Attendance – Every Day Counts

It is essential that your child comes to school on time every day. Learning begins immediately with SODA (Start Of Day Activities) when many additional interventions are also scheduled for this time, which may include your child as part of our 'catch-up' programme.

Our whole-school attendance this week was 96.9%.

Class attendance rates this week			
Hedgehog	95.1%	Chestnut	98.1%
Squirrel	97.5%	Birch	96.5%
Badger	99.2%	Beech	98.2%
Otter	95%	Maple	92.5%
Fox	97.2%	Willow	95.9%
Hare	98.4%	Oak	100%
Rowan	93.5%	Elm	98.1%



This term's collective worship focus is:
RESPECT

Well done this week to

- Badger
- Oak

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

Dates for your diary

May

Monday 3rd – **Bank Holiday Monday – School closed**

Wednesday 5th – Year 4 Group 3 Stand Up Paddle Boarding

Tuesday 11th May – Year R vision screening & national child measurement programme.

Monday 17th – Year 6 Bushcraft residential all week

Wednesday 26th – Start of Arts Week – more information to follow

Wednesday 26th **St Augustine House** non-uniform day

Friday 28th **Term Ends**

June

Monday 7th – Children return to school

Thursday 24th – 3:00pm meeting for **Year 3** parents regarding proposed Year 4 Kingswood visit

Thursday 24th – 6:00pm meeting for **Year 5** parents regarding Year 6 Bushcraft residential

July

Thursday 1st – Parent & Teacher Consultations Year 1-6 from 3:30pm to 8:00pm
Year R from 9:30am to 8:00pm

Friday 2nd – **St Peter's House** non-uniform day

Wednesday 14th – Bastille Day at School – French day to support our MFL teaching

Friday 16th – **End of School Year**

Star of the Week & Reading Awards

Congratulations to all our Star of the Week and Reading Award winners this week.

Star of the Week goes to:

Squirrel: Jayden M, **Hedgehog:** Vinnie M, **Otter:** Vince B, **Badger:** Gracie J, **Fox:** Charlie B,
Hare: Harrison M, **Chestnut:** Mason L, **Rowan:** Lola R, **Beech:** Samuel R, **Birch:** Harley S, **Willow:** Stevie P, **Maple:** Dolly D, **Oak:** Keeley G, **Elm:** Caleb A

Reading Awards go to:

Squirrel: Georgia I, **Hedgehog:** Theo S, **Otter:** Freddie A, **Badger:** Eva H, **Fox:** Mollie-J L,
Hare: Buddy L, **Chestnut:** Chloe D, **Rowan:** Dennis F, **Beech:** Henry B, **Birch:** Lillian D,
Willow: Joseph W, **Maple:** Thomas W, **Oak:** Maya M, **Elm:** Hayley T