



Friday 19th November 2021
St Nicholas CE Primary Academy
Weekly Newsletter

Headteacher: Christopher Dale

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well it's been another very busy week at St Nicholas. The week started with our Odd Socks Day as part of our Anti-Bullying Week programme. As ever it was great that the week start so positively as we have explored what bullying is and what we should do if it happening to us or others.

The School Council have also discussed strategies of support with Miss Welsh, the schools PSHE Leader. The theme this year was One Kind Word – this is not a theme we will be covering for this week but throughout the rest of the year. I was also pleased to see we had Anti-Bullying Guardian Angels this week. Children were each given another child's name from the class and encouraged to do something to make that person smile.



We were also visited this week by teachers from other schools to look at the way we teach reading. It is lovely to have the success at our school celebrated this way but more importantly that we share those things we do for the benefit of all children.

We have also set the dates for many of our Key Stage Christmas activities and I would like to give parents advanced notice of these in case parents need to arrange their diaries to attend.

Have a lovely weekend.

Christopher Dale
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

November

Tues 23rd

Year 6 swimming
(week 7 of 8)

Wed 24th

Attendance Tea Party

Fri 26th

School closed to children

Tues 30th

Year 4 Advent Service

Year 6 swimming
(week 8 of 8)

December

Wed 1st

Parent /Teacher consultations

Fri 3rd

Year 3 Group 4 Skiing

Mon 6th

Year 5 Victorian Christmas at Kent Life museum

St Nicholas Day service at Church

Wed 8th

Y1 & Y2 Nativity at 10am

Thurs 9th

Carols & Cake

Fri 10th

Whole school Panto Day
Year 3 Group 5 Skiing

Mon 13th

EYFS Tableaux at 9:30am

Carols in the Community- Singing in New Romney from 10:30am onwards

Y1+2 Nativity at 2pm



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.



This term's collective worship focus is:
COMMUNITY

Our whole-school attendance this week was 94.5%.

Class attendance rates this week			
Hedgehog	96.3%	Chestnut	94.6%
Squirrel	95.9%	Birch	96.5%
Badger	92.5%	Beech	93.5%
Otter	94.4%	Maple	99%
Fox	90.1%	Willow	95.5%
Hare	92.6%	Oak	94.9%
Rowan	96.7%	Elm	94.1%

Well done this week to

- Hedgehog
- Maple

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



Star of the Week goes to:

Badger: Theo S, **Fox:** Harlan R, **Chestnut:** Sophia D, **Beech:** Ellie M, **Maple:** Freddie S, **Elm:** Tilly C

Reading Awards go to:

Squirrel: Ollie B, **Hedgehog:** Talia B, **Otter:** Xinny L, **Hare:** Ruby-Mae S, **Rowan:** Darcie E, **Willow:** Jayme C, **Oak:** Joshua R

Congratulations to all our Star of the Week & Reading Award winners.

School Lunch Payments

Unfortunately the school seems to have a worsening situation with payments for school lunches not being paid in advance or on Monday morning each week.

Please could I remind parents & carers that school meals **must be paid for in advance** or by the Monday morning for the week ahead. On Monday this week half of all paid meals ordered for had not been paid for.

Parent Teacher Consultations – Wednesday 1st December 2021

Parent Teacher Consultations will take place on Wednesday 1st December. Bookings must be made through ParentMail and will open on Monday 22nd November at 10am.

Starting School - Reception 2022?

We will be holding a series of open sessions for parents looking for a Reception place for September 2022.

This is an opportunity to meet the Headteacher, tour the school and see Reception classes in action.

Visits to the school can be booked on:

Monday 22nd November at 1:30pm

Wednesday 12th January 2022 at 9:45am

St Nicholas CE Primary Academy

Is your child starting school in September 2022?

Parents and families are welcome to visit our school and wonderful grounds by appointment.
See our website for a video of the school in action
www.st-nicholas-newromney.kent.sch.uk
Contact: office @st-nicholas-newromney.kent.sch.uk or tel: 01797 361906

Visits can be booked for:
Monday 15th November: at 9.45am & 1.30pm
Wednesday 17th November: at 9.45am & 6.00pm
Monday 22nd November: at 1.30pm
Wednesday 12th January 2022: at 9.45am

"The school's work to promote pupils' personal development, welfare and behaviour is outstanding" - OFSTED

EYFS Tableaux & KS1 Nativity

If you have ordered tickets for the KS1 Nativity's on Wednesday 8th and Monday 13th December they will be coming home with your child this afternoon. From Monday spares will be allocated to those on the waiting list.

Tickets for the Year R events will be available on ParentMail from Monday 22nd November. Please go to the "Payments then Shop" section to order.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

We have been informed that Kent County Council will continue to support its Free School Meals families with food vouchers over all the holiday periods until Easter 2022.

If you are not currently receiving Free School Meals and believe your child may be eligible and you get any of the following, please apply on line at www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/kent/

- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

Christmas Events

Date	Activity
Mon 6th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• St Nicholas Day, whole school at Church• St Nicholas Day Lunch (Year 5 Out at Kent Life Trip)
Wed 8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• KS1 Nativity at 10am (Y1+2)
Thurs 9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Carols & Cake at 1:30pm
Fri 10th	Panto Day; KS2 at 9:30am and EYFS & KS1 at 1:30pm
Mon 13th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• EYFS Tableaux at 9:30am• Carols in the Community- Singing in New Romney from 10:30am onwards• KS1 Nativity (Y1+2) at 2pm
Tues 14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• EYFS Tableaux at 9:30am
Wed 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• KS1 Class Parties - food provided
Thurs 16th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• KS2 Class Parties – food provided• Christmas Disco's (EYFS within class during afternoon)
Fri 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Whole school Christmas Jumper & Christmas Lunch day• KS2 Carol Service at 9:30am at Church

HAVING A CELEBRATION?



HALL
HIRE
Available

ST NICHOLAS CE PRIMARY ACADEMY

Fairfield Road, New Romney, Kent, TN28 8BP

PLEASE CONTACT MISS PAICE IN THE SCHOOL
OFFICE FOR MORE DETAILS - 01797 361906