

Friday 19th May 2023
St Nicholas CE Primary Academy
Newsletter

Headteacher: Christopher Dale



Dear parents and carers,

It's been a busy week at St Nicholas. I have loved seeing the learning which has taken place across the school this week. Whether it was the lovely Ascension Day service with the Year 2 & 3 children yesterday, the Year 6 on their Geography trail along New Romney High Street, or seeing the awe and wonder that exists on the face of the children when doing something new for the first time.



Reading - One of the things I have asked parents to help us with, is for support in reading regularly with your child. This will ensure they will be able to develop their fluency and speed in their reading. In school we have reading sessions every day and the adults in the school are working hard to ensure that all children are heard reading daily on top of their teaching. We have already seen great improvements but if we want this to be really successful we do need your support at home.

Headlice - The presence of head lice in schools is an uncomfortable fact of life. The cooperation of all parents is sought in helping to ensure this nuisance does not become a great problem.

It is extremely important for you to check your child's head for head lice **TODAY**. If you do find head lice, commence treatment immediately and be sure to complete the process of treatment. This will help prevent head lice from spreading. Remember to keep checking your family member's heads every 2 days until there are no head lice found for 10 consecutive days. For further information regarding treating head lice, refer to the [Department of Health's Head Lice fact sheet](#). Your local pharmacist can provide advice regarding head lice treatment options and headlice combs.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

May

Mon 22nd

Year 3-5 Assessment week

Tues 23rd

5:00pm PTA Meeting

Wed 24th

Y6 pupils water sports

Thurs 25th

YR Balanceability

Fri 26th

End of Term

June

Mon 5th

Children return to school
Year 4 national testing in Multiplication tasks starts

Wed 7th

Y6 pupils water sports
2:00pm Attendance tea party

Thurs 8th

KS2 Corpus Christi service

Fri 9th

All day – Kent
Challenger Games at the Julie Rose stadium

Sun 11th

10:30am St Barnabas
Day Service at St Nicholas Church

Mon 12th

Y1 Phonics Screening all week

Tues 13th

Y6 Residential –
Children to Bushcraft

Fri 16th

Year 6 return from
Bushcraft at 5:30pm

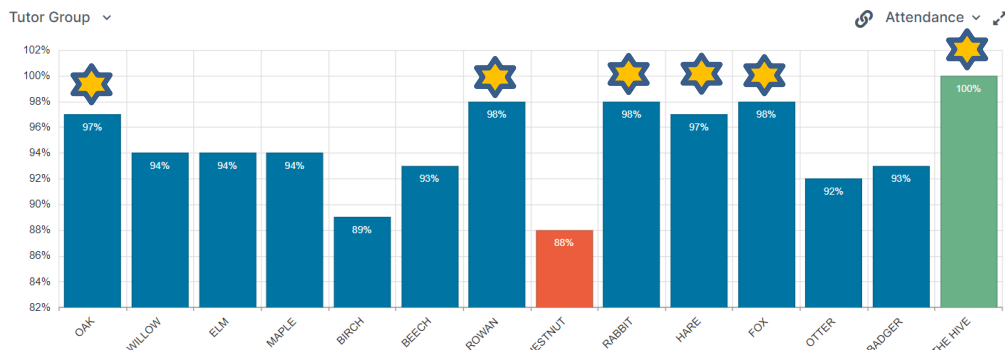
Mon 19th

French exchange
teacher to join us for one
week and Mrs H Lee to
go to France to teach.



Attendance – Every Day Counts

Thank you to everyone who has been sending their children to school every day. We are aiming for 96% attendance. Our whole school attendance for this point in the year is: **93.2%**. **This week the class attendances were;**



Well done to The Hive with 100%; Rowan, Rabbit & Fox with 98%; Oak & Hare with 97% and finally Willow, Maple & Elm with 94%

Collective Worship

This term's collective worship focus is on our value:

RESPECT

“Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves.”

Romans 12 :10

How have we honoured someone else today?



Attendance update.

The [Summary table of responsibilities for school attendance](#) from the DFE, makes it clear that while some pupils find it harder than others to attend school, it is the parents responsibility to ensure their child attends every day - and on time.

Star Award



Star of the week awards went to:

Squirrel: Lilly-Mai T, **Otter:** Amelia C, **Fox:** Kenzie R, **Hare:** Sophie H, **Rowan:** Richie W, **Birch:** Grace C, **Willow:** Lola B, **Elm:** Henry B



Reader of the week awards went to:

Hedgehog: Joey S, **Badger:** Alfie N, **Rabbit:** Lilly B, **Chestnut:** Jack O, **Beech:** Buddy L, **Maple:** Logan S, **Oak:** Orion M



This week's birthdays:

Jasmine C, Joey W, Aarna P, Brihanna B and Ava B – many happy returns to you all!

Nicholas Bear was awarded to Year 2 and 3! Congratulations to them for their lovely Church service this week!

Would you like to join our team?



We are currently looking for a **Lunchtime Assistant** to join our team. If you enjoy working with children and would like to work in a friendly primary setting then this could be the role for you.

Do you have good communication skills with children and the ability to create a positive environment, while maintaining trust and confidentiality?

If you do, we would love to hear from you. [Please make your application via Kent-Teach](#)

Kent County Council Clean Air Campaign.

Leaving engines idling while cars are stationary has a huge impact on our health.

Help keep your children and their classmates safe and healthy by turning off your car if you are waiting for more than one minute during school pick up times.



PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Could you offer time to help at PTA events?

If so we would love to hear from you. Please pass on your details to the school office. It would be great to have more parents who would be willing to support us at events and functions. We look forward to hearing from you.

The next major PTA event is the School Summer Fair – Saturday 8th July 11:00am onwards – If you would like to help support us with this event we would love to hear from you!



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