Friday 9th June 2023 St Nicholas CE Primary Academy Newsletter

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Headteacher: Christopher Dale

Dear parents and carers,

This term has started very much the same as most, by reviewing our school values with the children. This term we focus on our value of Trust. The dictionary describes Trust as "... firm belief in the reliability, truth, or ability of someone or something." This week I have been fortunate to see this in action in so many ways in everyone's day to day learning.

I often say to the children "after time - trust is the most precious thing we can give to anyone." This week we have asked the question 'how are we standing up for others so they know they can trust us?' I was overwhelmed by the response of the children.

Next week I hope to send out the arrangements for the new academic year. I wonder how many will have trust in us, to do what is needed to promote the best outcomes for all children at St Nicholas?

Whole School Transition Day

Our whole school transition day will take place on **Thursday 6th July.** This is an opportunity for children to meet and spend time with their new class teacher. On the same day, we would like to invite parents to join us at the end of the school day and meet your child's new teacher. We will send out more information about this nearer the time.

Summer Fair - Saturday 8th July

The PTA Summer Fair is in full planning mode with the event taking place in 4 weeks' time, on Saturday 8th July.

We very much need support from parents to help us with running stalls. If you are able to support the school with this key fund-raising event we would love to hear from you. Please contact the office if you are able to help.

Gentle reminder- dogs are not allowed on school premises this includes being them carried or pushed in a dog pram.

And finally...

This weekend on Sunday 11th June we will be at St Nicholas Church for the St Barnabas Day service at 10:30am. We would be delighted if you could join us and be part of the Sunday family service.

Have a lovely weekend Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale Headteacher

Dates for your diary

June Sun 11th

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

Mon 12th

Year 1 Phonics Screening all week

Tues 13th

Year 6 Bushcraft Residential New intake 'Stay & Play' session 1:45pm (Group A - week 2 of 4) Year 4 – Beech class swimming starts

Thurs 15th

New intake 'Stay & Play' session 1:45pm (Group B - week 2 of 4)

Fri 16th

Year 6 return from Bushcraft

Mon 19th

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

Tues 20th

Year 4 – Beech class swimming week 2 of 5 New Intake 'Stay & Play' session, 1:45pm (Group A - week 3 of 4)

Wed 21st

10am – 2pm Girls Football at THSP

Thurs 22nd

Year 6 Cricket week 2/6 New intake 'Stay & Play' session 1:45pm (Group B - week 3 of 4)

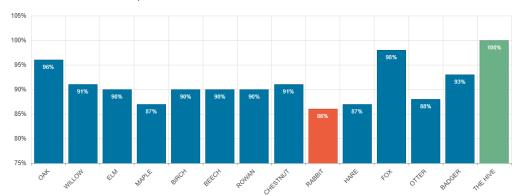
Fri 23rd – 8:30am Year 6 Parents Marsh Academy Transition coffee morning

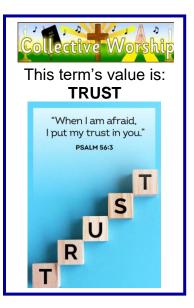
Friday 30th – School Closed to Pupils



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 Oak with 96% and Fox with 98%

Awards



Star of the Week awards went to:

Squirrel: Joshua S, Otter: Amelia C, Rabbit: Gracie L, Hare: Ethan M,

Rowan: Lily C, Birch: Elizabeth G, Willow: Billy G, Elm: Kain R



Reader of the Week awards went to:

Hedgehog: Emily R, Badger: Mason R, Fox: Evie M, Chestnut: Oliver M,

Beech: Albie S, Maple: Harley J, Oak: Cayla S



This week's birthdays:

Riley B, Mason R, Jacob A, Byron C, Harvey H, Tommy J, Bella N, Alfy T, Jacob W, Paige G and Lenny V – many happy returns to you all!

Sports Day:

This year Sports Day for Key Stage 1 & 2 will take place over two days as it has previously.

KS1 Sports Day is on Tuesday 27th June &

KS2 Sports Day is on Wednesday 28th June with both days starting after the morning registration. Parents are welcome to stay in the school ground after dropping their child/children to school. We would like children come to school in their PE Kit on their sports day wearing a PE top in their school 'House' colour (Red, Yellow, Green, Blue). Many thanks in advance for your help with this.



Star letter writer:

Congratulations to Alexa-Grace for her star writing skills! Earlier this year Alexa wrote to the Prime Minister sharing her ideas on Fair Trade produce.

This month Alexa received a reply from the Prime Minster's Office which was also shared with The Foreign & Commonwealth Office.

Well done Alexa-Grace for reminding us that when we feel passionatly about something we have the power to share our ideas with those who have the potential to make a change.

Year 5 Parents - PESE & Grammar school registration.

If your child is currently in Year 5, and you intend to apply to a Kent Grammar school, please register online at kent.gov.uk/kenttest Registration opens on 1 June 2023 and closes at midnight on 3 July 2023.

Who is the Kent Test (11+) for?

The Kent Test is for those who wish to apply for a Kent Grammar school place for September 2024. The Kent Test will take place on **Thursday 7th September 2023.**

School open evening events we have been made aware of are;

- The Harvey Grammar School Tues 4th July 6:15pm to 8:30pm
- Brockhill Park School Wed 5th July 5:00pm to 8:00pm

Year 6 - End of Year Information.

There are a number of notable events for Year 6 parents to be aware of over the coming weeks.

- Friday 23rd June at 8:30am Year 6 Marsh Transition Coffee morning at St Nicholas.
- Monday 3rd July Year 6 Lancaster Model
- Thursday 6th July Year 6 Brockhill, Rye College & Marsh Academy transition day
- Friday 7th July Year 6 Marsh Academy & Rye College transition day
- Monday 10th July Year 6 Reports given out
- Thursday 13th July Year 6 Production of 'Oliver' at 9:30am and 6:00pm
- Tuesday 18th July Year 6 Trip to Folkestone.
- Thursday 20th July Year 6 Leavers service at St Nicholas at 9:30am. In the afternoon, the school gates will be opened early at 3:00pm with Y6 children being applauded out of school.

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