

Friday 5th January 2024

St Nicholas CE Primary Academy

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

HAPPY NEW YEAR.

I hope all our families had an enjoyable Christmas break with the opportunity to meet with family and friends over the festive period.

First, may I take this opportunity to thank all our families for being so supportive with the circumstances which arose on Wednesday only minutes before we were due to let the children into school. We were so lucky to find the issue when we did. I must also thank UK Power Networks for their quick response in supporting us to ensure the school could open yesterday.

This term promises to be a very busy one with lots going on. Over the course of the term, we will be asking parents to support us with a big drive in supporting the children to become more confident in their recall of their times tables. We will learn more about this from Mrs Lee who is our Lower KS2 and Maths Lead over the course of the term.

We started school yesterday with a focus on our Value of **Ambition**. Ambition is often described as a strong desire to achieve something. In our first assembly of the year, I asked the children what they would like to be when they grow up and what they would like to achieve – of course not all children are able to express this in the way you or I can. One child said to me they would like to be a mermaid! Sometimes our talents are the things that motivate us and while being a mermaid is not for everyone, we all have our hopes and dreams, which should be encouraged as much as possible. I think this is best summed up in a quote by Mark Twain;

“Keep away from those who try to belittle your ambitions. Small people always do that, but the really great make you believe that you too can become great.”

This quote reminds me that we are best when we surround ourselves with people who believe in us and do not try to drag us down.

I know that this past year has been full of challenges, and I pray that the coming year brings brighter, happier and healthier days for you all. With every good wish to everyone in our community for 2024.

Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale

Headteacher

Dates for your diary

January 2024

Mon 8th

8:30am IQM Inspection

9:45am New Intake meeting

Tues 9th

9:15am Y6 Epiphany Service

2pm Attendance tea party

Wed 10th

Y4 parent meeting on National Testing of Multiplication Tables at 9am and 2:45pm

Thurs 11th

1pm Y6 Dodgeball

Tues 16th

Astrodome visit for Years 1, 5 and 6

Wed 17th

8:30am onwards – FLO's Coffee Morning in small hall - **all welcome!**

Thurs 18th

Y6 Dodgeball

Tues 23rd

School Health Team - **EYFS** pupils Vision & Hearing screening

Thurs 25th

Y6 Dodgeball



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