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St Nicholas CE Primary Academy Weekly Newsletter

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"St Nicholas Academy... a place where pupils always come first." - OFSTED

From the Headteachers desk...

What a very busy week we have had across St Nicholas!

Our whole-school Science Week has been a huge success. It has been wonderful to see the enthusiasm for science across the school, and I was particularly proud watching our Science Ambassadors leading activities and supporting learning in different classes. They showed great confidence and leadership, and it was fantastic to see younger pupils so engaged in their investigations.

Our **Stay and Read** and **Stay and Count** sessions continued this week and have been extremely well attended. I would like to say a sincere thank you to our parents and carers for your commitment to supporting your children's learning by attending these events. Your involvement really does make a difference.

We also held our **EYFS Mastering Number workshop for parents**, which again saw a fantastic turnout. It is always encouraging to see so many parents keen to understand how we teach mathematics in the early years. Letters have already gone out regarding the upcoming **Year 1 and Year 2 workshops**—I wonder if the parents in those year groups can match the excellent attendance we saw in EYFS!

Congratulations to our girls' football team for their Herald Cup victories! They secured two well-deserved wins through outstanding teamwork and sportsmanship, representing us brilliantly on and off the pitch.

This week we were also delighted to welcome **SENCo leaders from over 30 schools** who visited us to learn more about our work as an **IQM (Inclusion Quality Mark) school**. They were very interested to hear about our nurture programmes, the journey of the school, and they enjoyed seeing our **Specialist Resource Provision (SRP)** in action. We are very proud of the inclusive provision we offer here at St Nicholas and the support we provide for all children. As a school, we work incredibly hard with the resources available to us and continue to develop the best provision possible with the funding we receive. Many of you will have noticed the **log cabin outside my office**, which will soon become **Ms Gunn's dedicated Nurture space**. Over the coming year we will also be expanding our outdoor provision to include a **Forest School area**, which will be overseen by **Mrs Smith, our Learning Mentor**. These developments will provide valuable opportunities to support children's wellbeing, resilience and engagement with learning.

Finally, a reminder that our **Mothering Sunday Service** will take place on **Sunday 15 March at 10:30am**. It would be lovely to see as many families as possible join us for this special service.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.
Best wishes,

Christopher Dale
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

March

Sunday 15th –

Mothering Sunday service at St Nicholas church @ 10:30am

Mon 16th

Y4 Birch class swimming – week 1

Tues 17th

CLASS PHOTO DAY

Y6 Bikeability

Girls football match @ home against Hythe Bay

Wed 18th

Y4 Ancient Egyptian Day

Y6 Bikeability

Thurs 19th

8:30am **SEND Parents**

Coffee Morning

Y6 Bikeability

Mixed football match away against Lydd

Fri 20th

RED NOSE DAY

OWN CLOTHES DAY – £1 DONATION

Mon 23rd

KIC THEATRE for Y5 and Y3

Y4 Birch class swimming – week 2

Wed 25th

10am Governors mtg

Y1 Parents Mastering number mtg 2pm

Thurs 26th

Y5/6 Handball

tournament at THSP
10am – 3pm



CELEBRATE MOTHER'S DAY
**A Special Service honoring all Mothers, Grandmothers & Carers*
 YOU ARE INVITED TO
ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH, NEW ROMNEY
 FOR OUR SPECIAL MOTHER'S DAY SERVICE
SUNDAY, 15th MARCH
STARTING AT 10:30 AM
Parents and Families:
PLEASE ARRIVE READY BY 10:15 AM
(for a prompt start)

St. Nicholas Church, New Romney • All Are Welcome!
 Special songs, prayers, and a celebration for everyone

BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

British Science Week Poster Competition
Theme: *What does a positive childhood look like now and in the future?*

- **Who:** All students at St Nicholas!
- **Format:** A4 or A3 paper (pencils, paint, digital - anything goes!)
- **Deadline:** Hand to your class teacher by **Monday 30th March.**

Important: No names or real photos on the front, please! Shortlisted entries may be shared publicly.

