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St Nicholas CE Primary Academy Weekly Newsletter

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From the Headteachers desk...

Dear Parents & Carers,

As we approach the end of another busy week, I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the parents and carers who took the time to complete our recent parent survey. We were delighted to receive well over 120 responses, providing us with valuable feedback and insights. Over the next few days, I will be carefully reviewing and compiling the results before sharing the findings with both governors and parents. Your views are incredibly important and help us to continue developing and improving the experiences we provide for our children.

A huge congratulations goes to our Girls' Herald Cup team, who have successfully battled their way through to the final. This is a fantastic achievement and one that everyone involved should be extremely proud of. We are keeping our fingers crossed for the next stage and hope the girls can make that final push with plenty of support behind them.

Last week's World Cup Football Friday dinner was a tremendous success. The special menu proved very popular and the football score machine was a huge hit with the children, creating lots of excitement and conversation throughout the day. Thank you to our lunchtime team for helping to make the event such an enjoyable experience.

You will also notice an item in this week's newsletter about Easyfundraising. This month there is a fantastic opportunity for our school. If you download the app and sign up as a supporter this week, the school will receive a £3 bonus donation simply for inviting you. With over 400 children in our school community, we currently have just 117 supporters signed up. Every supporter makes a difference, and these donations help us provide additional opportunities and resources for our children **at no extra cost to you**. If you haven't already signed up, please consider doing so and encourage family and friends to join as well.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and enjoy some well-deserved family time.

Yours sincerely,

Christopher Dale
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

June 2026

The term dates have been published on Dojo for parents to download.

Mon 15th

- Y4 Multiplication Times table check
- Y2 SATs
- 10:15am - RMCC leading worship
- Y6 New Romney Arts Society at 1pm

Tues 16th

- **Y2 SATs**
- **New Intake** "Stay & Play" – Week 3 (1:30 – 2:45pm) & NELFT Workshop for parents

Wed 17th

- **Y2 SATs**
- Kav in – KS2 Competitions & EYFS – Bike ability
- **Y5** Windsurfing

Thurs 18th

- **Y2 SATs**
- **New Intake** "Stay & Play" – Week 3 (1:30 – 2:45pm)

Mon 22nd

- **KS1** Sports day all morning
- **Y6** NRAS at 1pm

Tues 23rd

- **Y4** French Café 2pm in school - families welcome
- **New Intake** "Stay & Play" – Week 4 (1:30 – 2:45pm)

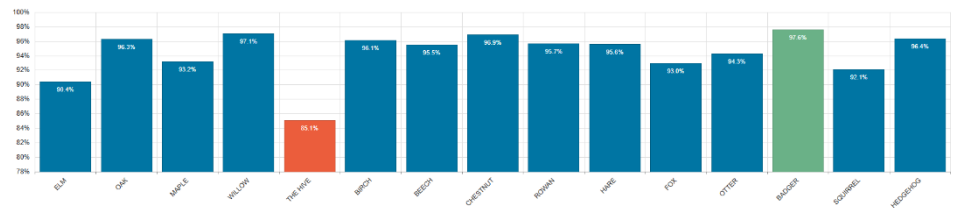


Attendance - Every Day Counts!

It is essential that your child comes to school on time every day. **Learning starts when the class doors open at 8:30am with SoDA (Start of Day Activities)**, some interventions start at this time - **this WILL include your child!**

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Top attenders are:		
Year	Class	%
1	Badger	97.6
5	Willow	97.1
3	Chestnut	96.9
R	Hedgehog	96.4
6	Oak	96.3



Congratulations to all the classes above with their super attendance

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

Star Award –



Star of the week awards went to:

Squirrel: Bonnie C **Badger:** Lily W **Fox:** Olivia N **Rowan:** Lara W
Beech: Beatrice C **Elm:** Olivia E & Harvey R



This week's Birthdays –

Evelyn G, Oscar B, Adelaide B, Teddy D and Darcy C – many happy returns to you all!

Who's Who at St Nicholas – *We have a number of staff in our Wellbeing team at St Nicholas and we thought it would be a good idea to introduce all of them to you each week, so you know who's who and the role they have within the team at our school.*



This week, we are delighted to shine a spotlight on Mrs Smith, one of our Learning Mentors. Mrs Smith works closely with children across the school, helping them to feel happy, confident and ready to learn. One of her key roles is providing **soft landings** at the start of the school day. This means she is available to support children who may be feeling anxious, unsettled or simply need a little extra encouragement as they arrive at school.

Mrs Smith is also trained in **Drawing and Talking Therapy**. This is a gentle, child-centred approach that uses drawing as a way for children to express their thoughts, feelings and experiences. It can help children develop emotional resilience, improve self-esteem and work through worries in a safe and supportive environment.

In addition, Mrs Smith is one of our four trained **ELSAs (Emotional Literacy Support Assistants)**. ELSAs receive specialist training to help children understand and manage their emotions, develop positive relationships, build confidence and learn strategies for coping with challenges both in and out of school.

Alongside her work supporting children, Mrs Smith is currently leading an exciting project to develop a **Forest School** provision at St Nicholas. Forest School sessions provide opportunities for children to learn and explore outdoors, helping to develop confidence, independence, teamwork and a love of nature. We are very excited about this project. Watch this space for further updates!



Year 6 Performance



To confirm the Y6 performance dates as originally published on the Term 6 overview. The year 6 performance of Pirates of the Curry Bean will take place as follows:

- Wednesday 8th July 2026 at 2:00pm
- Thursday 9th July 2026 at 9:30am
- Thursday 9th July 2026 at 6:00pm.

At our school, keeping every child safe, happy, and ready to learn is at the heart of everything we do. That's why we have a dedicated **Safeguarding Team** who work together to make sure our pupils feel supported both in school and beyond.

How You Can Reach Us:

If you ever have a concern about a child's safety or wellbeing, please ask to speak to a member of our Safeguarding Team. You can find us in school or contact us via Tel: 01797361906

The team are here if you have any concerns or worries about yourself or someone you know. Alternatively, you can always speak to your child's class teacher who can pass your concerns on to a member of the team.

Early Help Service

Kent County Council offers Early Help services to support children, young people, and their families at any stage of life. These services aim to resolve problems early and ensure that families receive timely and responsive support.

- Early Help involves collaboration among agencies to address issues effectively.
- Support is available through family hubs and partner organizations, focusing on educational, social, and emotional needs.
- Contact details for Early Help can be found through local Family Hubs or by reaching out to the Early Help District team.
- Support levels include universal services, additional support, intensive support, and specialist support for families with complex needs.

For more information, you can visit the Kent County Council Early Help page. The Early Help service is made up of Early Help professionals who support schools to co-ordinate early help for pupils and their families. More details can be found here - [Early Help \(support for families\) - Kent County Council](#)



Online Safety for Parents - WhatsApp for Under 13's

With the exception of YouTube, WhatsApp has always been one of the most popular messaging apps, including for children under 13. This has always been a concern for a lot of different reasons, but out of the blue it seems that Meta have now created a parent-managed service which we think is really good.



Similar to other parent-managed accounts, a parent will pair their device/account to the child's device/account which then gives a lot of flexibility such as:

- No 'view once' messages.
- No location sharing.
- Messages and group invite from unknown contacts sent to the parent for approval.
- Parent notifications, such as new contact added.

For more information follow these links: [WhatsApp parent-managed accounts - explained.](#)
Link: [How to set up a parent-managed account.](#)

For Parents - A Practical Toolkit for Families

The Molly Rose Foundation has some wonderful resources for parents including guides and other resources. One of these guides helps families understand who and what may be shaping a child's online world and how these influences can affect mood, confidence and safety. To download this guide and check some of the other resources see the link below.

Link - [Molly rose Foundation - A Practical Toolkit for Families](#)



SPORTS DAY DATES – REMINDER



Monday 22nd June 9:00am – KS1 Sports – all morning

Thursday 25th June

Y3/4-Sports day event in the morning starting at 9:00am

Y5/6-Sports day event in the afternoon starting at 1:00pm

Parents should be aware these events are weather dependent & may be cancelled at short notice.

Easy Fundraising – Raising funds for your child's school

It costs you nothing... but could make a huge difference to our school!

Join **easyfundraising** today and help raise free donations for **St Nicholas CE Primary Academy** every time you shop online with over **8,000 retailers**, including Tesco, Argos, M&S, eBay, Booking.com and many more. – click the link - <https://shorturl.at/UFgzw>

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Retailers donate to our school at no extra cost to you!

8,000+ RETAILERS INCLUDING...
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...and many more!

LET'S GROW TOGETHER!
400+ CHILDREN in our school community
175 SUPPORTERS SO FAR Thank you!
Let's reach 250+ supporters this summer!

Every supporter makes a difference.
Free donations help us fund resources, experiences and opportunities for all our children.
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PTA News & Upcoming Events



Our PTA plays a huge part in supporting the school community, and we would love for as many families as possible to get involved. Please take a look at the events below and get them into your diary and come along and support us in raising valuable fund for your children.

Freezer Friday Returns – Start Friday 19th June

We're delighted to bring back **Freezer Friday**, where children (and grown-ups!) can buy lollies and sweets for **50p or £1** at the end of the school day. To help things run smoothly, please bring the correct change where possible. Every purchase helps raise funds for the school—thank you for your support.

PTA Committee Meeting – Tuesday 15th September 2026

Join us at **6:30pm** at **St Nicholas CE Primary Academy** for our first committee meeting of the year. We warmly welcome new members—whether you'd like to help regularly or just occasionally, your support makes a real difference.

Grand Quiz Night – Friday 25th September 2026



A fun-filled evening for families, friends and the wider community. Get your teams ready for a great night of questions, laughter and friendly competition.

BINGO Evening – Friday 6th November 2026

Always a popular event! Bring your lucky charms and enjoy an evening of prizes, fun and community spirit.

As outlined in last weeks newsletter the school will take over the running of the breakfast club from September 2026. If you would like to know more, come to our open session. See details below.

NEW! BREAKFAST CLUB

A great start to every school day!



OPEN SESSION

THURSDAY 2 JULY

🕒 3:30PM – 6:00PM

Come and see how our exciting new Breakfast Club will be set up before it launches in **September 2026!**



EVERY DAY
7:30am – 8:30am

A calm start to the school day.



HEALTHY CHOICES

A wide range of healthy breakfast options.

£2

ONLY £2 PER DAY

Great value for families.



INCLUSIVE FOR ALL

SEND experienced and inclusive provision for every pupil.

MEET OUR TEAM!



Paediatric First Aid trained



Food Hygiene certified



Familiar staff known to pupils



SEND background and experience



COME AND DISCOVER!

- ✓ Our Breakfast Club set-up
- ✓ Our healthy breakfast menu
- ✓ How to book a place
- ✓ The team who will care for your child

Everyone Welcome!

LAUNCHING SEPTEMBER 2026!

📍 JOIN US ON THURSDAY 2 JULY, 3:30PM – 6:00PM
We can't wait to welcome you!



We're Hiring!

Join our friendly and dedicated team in the heart of New Romney.
Are you looking for a rewarding role in a supportive school environment?

We are currently recruiting for the following positions:

Cleaner - <https://shorturl.at/ITHMA>

Midday Meals Supervisor - <https://shorturl.at/ckDWH>

Kitchen Assistant (Catering Team) - <https://shorturl.at/VSZvU>

For more information do check the website - [St Nicholas Church of England Primary Academy, New Romney, Kent | Teaching Jobs & Education Jobs | MyNewTerm](#)

At St Nicholas, we are proud to offer a caring, inclusive environment where every member of staff plays a vital role in supporting our children to thrive.

