

St Nicolas' CE Combined School Newsletter

Jesus said, 'I am the vine and you are the branches'



Friday 9th May 2025



Year 5 led collective worship across the school on Tuesday, delivering an assembly on the theme of 'What makes somewhere special to visit?' Pine class excelled themselves with their preparation and confident presentation, and the children all enjoyed talking about the new theme park to be built in Bedfordshire...

Pupil quote of the week

When asked, "What is a quadrilateral?", a pupil replied, "A weird square."

100%	Perfection
98%	Impressive
97%	Very good
96%	Good
95%	Nearly there
94%	Needs to improve
<94%	Poor

Attendance matters



Attendance for this week was a very good **97.5%**

Chestnut Class assembly

We are excited to invite EYFS parents and carers to join us on Tuesday 20th May at 9.00am

Year 5 meeting

Wednesday 14th May at 3.45pm

Please join us for this essential meeting to find out everything you need to know about the **11+ tests** and the important-to-get-right **secondary school application** process.

Reading at St Nic's

A fun, entertaining story that follows Hope Crumble, who is about to start year 7, and her family in their busy lives.



Recommended for year 6

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House Points

Jaguars	Pumas	Lions	Tigers
117	103	98	124

Congratulations to the Tigers

Busy Bunch

This week at Busy Bunch we celebrated VE Day.



Coming up:

Next week's theme is 'be happy'.

Summer Concert – Thursday 22nd May

The KS2 school summer concert is taking place on Thursday 22nd May in the church at 5.00pm. Tickets are available now on [ParentPay](#) for £5 per adult.

Siblings under 18 will be admitted free and do not need a ticket. Please note that tickets will be sent home via your child on the 20th May and that ticket holders will have priority access to the concert.

All KS2 children who play instruments or are in the choir will be taking part, as will the singing competition winners; the winning class will be announced after the competition on Thursday 15th May and we hope all those children will be able to attend.

We would love to see the church full to celebrate all the music that takes place in school. If your child learns an instrument out of school and they would like to play in the concert please ensure they speak to Mrs Dobson or email the school office with details of the piece they would like to play i.e. title and composer.

Young Climate Warriors

By reducing the washing machine temperature from 40° to 30°, you reduce the amount of electricity used, and associated carbon emissions, by 40%.

Every time we wash our clothes, up to 700,000 tiny 'microplastic' fibres can be released into our environment.

Microplastics are influencing the health of our oceans. Interference with plankton may damage our oceans' ability to store carbon. Find out [more about microplastics](#).

Become a washing wizard!!

How many times does your family use the washing machine ... per week ... per year?

Become a 'washing wizard' - make your laundry pile disappear! Spot clean your uniform, think 'does it really need washing, can I wear it again instead?'

Dazzle your parent/carer by offering to hang out the washing to dry?

Help load the washing machine - wait and only run a full load - and at 30 degrees!

When you've completed this challenge ... Remember to hit the red button!



Reduce your annual washing by 1 wash cycle per week - you could save 15kg of carbon emissions, and 2,600 litres of water.



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Netball Tournament

Well done to our year 5 and 6 netball team who had a wonderful afternoon in the tournament at Beaconsfield High School.



Year 1 visit to Iver Environment Centre

Elm class had a fantastic day learning about plants. We learnt the parts of a plant, dissected a seed and planted our own seeds. In the afternoon we followed a map to find out how plants are used in our everyday lives.

Year 2 trip to Windsor Castle



Ash Class had a wonderful time at Windsor Castle this week as they continue to learn about the history of different homes in our local area.

"I want to take my mum here." Theo

"I can see the canons; this place is amazing!" Ava

Headteacher Awards



Chestnut: **Ella** for being super focused in her learning especially in phonics. **Sadie** for taking great care in making a model house for our class village.

Elm: **Finlay R** for enthusiasm and great behaviour on our school trip. **Maya** for great progress in phonics and writing.

Ash: **Tilly** for her brilliant clues she thought of to create her kenning poem in English - it was a pleasure to read! **Milana** for always being a super role model and demonstrating our school values

Oak: **Beatrix** for her super work in maths this week on money. **Ivy** for showing a mature and positive learning attitude both inside and outside the classroom.

Pine: **Amos** for publishing a great shape poem on volcanoes, using writing techniques including a simile, metaphor and personification. **Hazel M** for always presenting her work to a high standard, realising that how her work looks is as important as what she has written.

Willow: **Orla** for going above and beyond this week, making notes like a secondary school student and showing excellent enthusiasm. **Emmy N** for engaging greatly in science this week, showing great knowledge of mammals and life cycles.

Fir: **Lily** for her positivity, excellent focus and for being a great 'teacher' of Maths. **Woody** for showing maturity and a great attitude to learning.

And finally...

Sometimes the out-takes from our trip photos are the best... what a bunch of pickles!

Have a lovely weekend,

Ms Holmes and the team





PTA and Community News



£15 PER PERSON
FOOD AVAILABLE TO
PREORDER ONLY

ELUSIVE
BREWING



FEISTY.
BEER CO



STARDUST

INDIE
RABBLE
BREWING COMPANY



DOUBLE-BARRELLED



Beer Tasting Evening

Gather your friends for an unforgettable social night out! Enjoy a selection of twelve unique brews, perfect for everyone to explore together. Indulge in a charcuterie board perfect for sharing, and cheers to a night of laughter, camaraderie, and great company!

Food from
ToMo Tankovna

Hosted by
St Nicolas' School PTA

Beer from
Indie Rabble
Double Barrelled
Brazernor's Brews

Fiesty Beer Co
Elusive Brewing
Stardust Brewery

SATURDAY 17TH
MAY

7PM ONWARDS

Over
18's
only

Beer tasting night - Last Chance for Charcuterie - Ticket Sales End Thursday!

There's less than 1 week left to grab your tickets for the Beer Tasting Night on **Friday 17th May!** If you'd like to add charcuterie, orders close tomorrow, and ticket sales end on Thursday 15th May.

Join us for an evening of beer tasting, great company, and fundraising for the PTA—it's set to be a fantastic night!

Get your tickets now on Eventbrite before it's too late!

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/beer-tasting-evening-tickets-1299991973989>



PTA and Community News

Summer Fair—Friday 20th June

The PTA Summer Fair is coming soon! Straight after sports day. Amazing stalls and games, pizza and beer trucks plus bouncy castle and ice cream van.

Watch out for more details coming soon ☀️

**JOIN US FOR OUR
SUMMER FAIR**

**FRIDAY
20TH JUNE
1PM - 4PM**

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

**ON THE SCHOOL
SPORTS FIELD
AFTER SPORTS
DAY**

ICE CREAM & PIZZA VANS

FAIR GAMES

**EXTERNAL STALLS &
FACE PAINTING**

BEER, BAR AND BBQ

BOUNCY CASTLE

RAFFLE



PTA and Community News

The PTA would love to hire a fantastic entertainer for the children at this year's summer fair — but we need your help to make it happen!

If you're happy to have an estate agent board outside your house for a few weeks, the agent will kindly donate money to our fundraiser. This will go directly towards paying for the entertainment.

The more boards we have - the more fun we can provide for the kids for free!

It's a super easy way to support the summer fair without doing a thing — and the children will love it.

Please join the WhatsApp group if you're happy to have a board and confirm your address.

Thank you so much!

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EMISMxYPWypG64A3Zpk4Ca>

