



# St Nicolas' CE Combined School Newsletter

Living and learning together with God

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2026



## Elm Class assembly

Elm class wowed us all on Tuesday with their fabulous assembly. It was remarkable to see how far they have come with their learning and how much they have grown.

We especially enjoyed their song in Welsh, and their enthusiasm and enjoyment for their learning.

It was wonderful to see so many year 1 families and friends as well - thank you for your support and positive comments.

## Year 5 parent meeting: moving up to secondary school

Don't forget this information meeting which tells you everything you need to know about applying for secondary schools, as well as the 11+.

In a change to previous years, Y5 parents will be asked to confirm whether or not they wish their child to sit the 11+ following the meeting, so if you are still unsure, please attend so you can ask questions and make an informed decision. Thank you



## House Points

Jaguars	Pumas	Lions	Tigers
220	181	159	202

Well done Jaguars!

### Pupil Quote

"It's absolutely massive Miss Mccatty – how are they going to hear us right at the back?"

Yr 6 – in Royal Albert Hall

## Choir sing at The Royal Albert Hall



Well done to Year 5 & 6 choir for a fabulous performance at the Royal Albert Hall.

"I enjoyed the range of songs we had to sing, watching the lights on the ceiling reflect the mood of the song, walking around Kensington Gardens, listening to the other part and performing with friends." **Nell**

# Book Fair

We'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported last week's book fair. It was wonderful to chat with children and parents about the books, and we've especially enjoyed hearing the children talking about their new reads around school.

Thanks to your generosity, we raised an amazing £667.76 to spend on books through Scholastic! This funding will help us provide dictionaries, thesauruses, and a range of topic-based books for our classrooms.

Thank you again for your continued support—it makes a real difference.

**Mrs Anderson**



## Netball Team



Well done to our netball team. Two fantastic wins against Holtspur and Robertswood Schools.



## SEND - learning plans

All learning plans have now been updated and provisions reviewed. If you have any problems logging in to the system, please email into the office and I will get another link generated for you. Any problems or questions regarding the learning plan or if you would like to schedule a meeting please do get in touch.

**Mrs Birch**

# Oak Class - Skateboarding Festival



The skateboarding festival Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at Farnham Common Junior school led by Team Rubicon.

The coach Alex was brilliant. Everyone attempted a mixture of tricks and by the end of the session were doing forwards backwards and jumping on and off their boards.

“I really enjoyed the number of tricks we learnt inarticulacy the one where we shifted our weight to one end and spun the skateboard through 180 degrees – I would like to master doing the 360 degree. I’ll keep practicing”. **Oliver**

“ I had never tried skateboarding before. The elbow pads and knee pads were exciting to put on and we all had matching helmets apart from three of us who had bright red ones. I learnt so much so quickly. My best part was learning to do ‘walk the dog’. I’ll think about asking for a skateboard for my birthday”. **Luna**

“It was amazing. When I got home I was able to teach my brother how to go forward and then taught him how to do a half kick flip. It was super amazing. I would like to have a skateboarding party for my next birthday”. **Dillon**

# KS2 summer concert Thursday 21st May 5pm

Our annual concert is on the above date and everyone who learns an instrument in school will be taking part along with our KS2 choir and the winner of our KS2 singing competition. If your child learns an instrument outside of school and would like to take part please email the school office with their choice of piece and composer before the end of next week so Mrs Dobson can put the programme together. Ticket information will be available in the next couple of weeks.

## Year 1 - Bear Hunt

"Pretending we were in a snow storm was really really fun". **River**



"When we found the bear I thought it was really fun". **Mia**

"I liked finding all the letters". **Sadie**

"I liked climbing over the frame". **Liliana**



"I liked the parachute" **Mrs Malynn**

Globally we produce over 400 million tonnes of paper and cardboard every year – over half of which is used for packaging.

The good news? The UK already recycles around 70% of its paper – but that still means 3 in every 10 sheets ends up as waste.

Maybe printers will soon be able to 'suck the ink off paper' – becoming 'de-printers' – what do you reckon?

The Forest Stewardship Council UK (FSC) certifies forests that are managed to strict environmental, social and economic standards, so look out for FSC-certified paper!

**Taller than houses, able to live longer than humans ...**

Trees are used to make paper and card – which can be found in almost every home on the planet ... books, labels, toilet paper, packaging ...

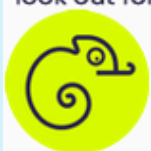
Which actions will you undertake this week? ...

- REDUCE** – Help banish the junk mail and avoid the packaging.
- REUSE** – Be creative with the scrap paper, used envelopes and old magazines.
- RECYCLE** – Rescue the toilet roll tubes and make sure they're recycled.
- RETHINK** – Talk to your parent/carer/teacher about switching to recycled paper.

**NO JUNK MAIL**

**YOUNG CLIMATE WARRIORS**

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



It's estimated that the average UK family throws away 6 trees worth of paper



# Headteacher's Awards

Well done to everyone who received an award in celebration assembly today!



Chestnut: **Lucas** for great focus and enthusiasm during country dancing. **Margot** for determination and enthusiasm during writing activities.

Elm: **Teddie** for hard work across all subjects this week and always showing our school values. **Winston** for great mathematical thinking and confident explanations during mastering number lessons.

Ash: **Megan** for creating and writing a brilliant adventure story, using great vocabulary choices to interest the reader. **Albie** for showing great enthusiasm when sharing his knowledge about castles, and producing a detailed diagram to show the structure of a castle.

Oak: **Leo** for having great ideas for writing a character description for a fantasy narrative. **James** for being a fantastic team player in PE, encouraging others and listening carefully to instructions.

Pine: **Lola B** for her hard work and perseverance in all aspects of her learning. **Matilda** for her fantastic contribution in all lessons this week

Willow: **George** for providing excellent answers this week, especially in RE when discussing philosophy. **Oscar** for his excellent contributions to our discussions about the book 'Tuesday.'

Fir: **Eleanor** for showing commitment and determination to master her understanding in all maths topics. **Emmie S** for always going the extra mile to be the best learner that she can be.

*And finally...*

*Have a great bank holiday weekend!*

*Ms Holmes and the staff*