

St Nicolas' CE Combined School Newsletter

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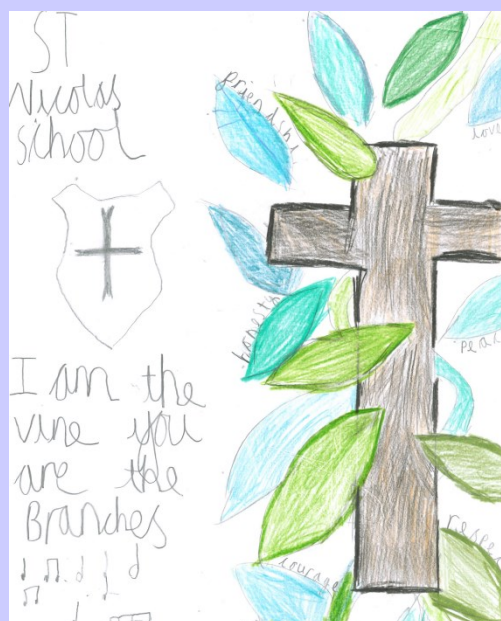
Friday 27th June 2025

Congratulations Elm class on your fabulous assembly!



Exciting news: our new school logo...

The children were excited in assembly this morning to see and talk about our new school logo. This has been developed through this year in collaboration with pupils, the school council, staff and governors. We wanted to create a logo that was distinctive and relevant to our school



vision.



The inspiration for our logo was this original design by Harry (Y4).

First embroidery sample for the uniform logo. Thank you Goyals!

...and a sporty new blue PE top!

We are also introducing a new PE top. Our current top is in four different house colours which means the children do not look like a united team when they attend events, and it can be difficult for other schools to tell where we have come from. We hope the smart blue PE top will inspire confidence and lead to increased participation in sport, which is our main goal in encouraging the children to lead a healthy lifestyle. The new PE top is also made from a more breathable, durable and sustainable fabric. Parents of Lions will be pleased to hear it keeps its colour in the wash!

We expect the transition in uniform logo and PE tops to happen organically over 1-2 years, during which both styles will be in use at school. We continue to encourage the use of pre-loved items and emphasise that there is no need to rush out and replace what you already have!

KS1 concert



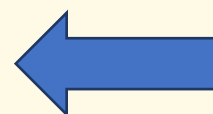
Pupil quote of the week

Year 1 pupil

"I overheard someone saying that our assembly was the best one ever!"

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 an impressive **98.1%**

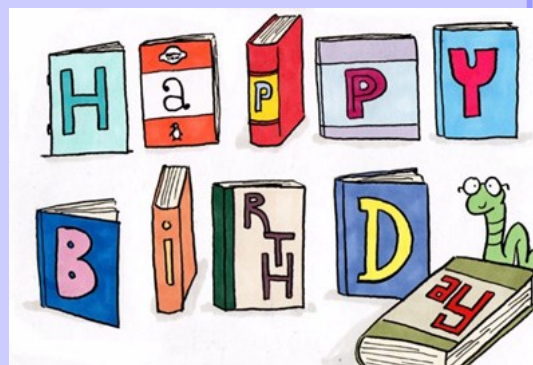
Reading at St Nic's

At St Nicolas we love celebrating your birthdays! **We have a birthday book list on the English section of our website.** Any book purchased for your child's birthday will have their name placed inside the book and will be presented in assembly. This book will then be placed in the library to be enjoyed by others for many years to come.

Please hand any books bought to the office with your child's name and birthday details.

Many thanks

Mrs Anderson



Bikeability



Dara - I loved bikeability and the trainers who helped us. It was the best lesson and it really helped our confidence when cycling on the road. I learnt that you are not supposed to ride a bike on the footpath.

Grace - I enjoyed bikeability because it was fun going down the roads and cycling with friends. It made me feel confident at cycling on the roads. I learnt about what side you should be standing on the road and we also learnt about indicating.

Thea - I really enjoyed bikeability. I learnt so much: where to be on the road at a certain time and how to pass cars. The trainers were great. They were patient with us and cheered us on. Overall it was amazing.

Azalea - I loved Bikeability: It was so fun. When I started, I did not know what to do or how to be a good cyclist. Now, I'm amazing! One day I was nervous but the instructors Hewan, Alan and Taran helped me with my confidence.

Ava - When I was at Bikeability, we had three instructors: Taran, Hewan and Alan. Going down the hills and slopes was easy. The hard bit was going back up them! I had a great time.

Year 6

Rehearsals are well underway for Year 6's production of **Lookin' Good Robin Hood** and are working hard on the finer details within scenes.

The children have created their own props and scenery, which really bring the stage to life.



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House Points

Jaguars	Pumas	Lions	Tigers
428	243	241	304

Congratulations to the Jaguars

Busy Bunch

This week at Busy Bunch we created a colourful mural



Coming up:

Next week's theme is Nature



Year 4 Jam tarts

We learnt that seasonal fruits can be preserved in many different ways. For example it can be frozen and it can also be transported from different countries. A gas called ethylene can be sprayed into fruit to ripen it more quickly.



Did you know that you can make jam out of fruit to preserve it. We made jam tarts and they were yummy!

Young Climate Warriors

75% of the world's main food crops rely on animal pollination. Bees are key pollinators, along with wasps, ants, flies, butterflies, beetles and moths.

In the UK we have over 250 bee species. A bees 'buzzing' is the sound of their wings beating at over 130 beats per second.

Bees bounce back! Bees are really responsive to changes in their habitat - for a 10% increase in bee-friendly habitats, bee numbers and diversity increases by over 30%.

Join National Insect Week -23-29th June. #standtallforthesmall



'Bees are the batteries of orchards, gardens, guard them'. Carol Ann Duffy, Poet Laureate 2009-2019

BEEcome BEE-friendly?



Bees challenge!



This week it's time to 'bee' curious ... what insects can you spot fluttering, humming, buzzing, hovering, flitting.

Can you spot any bees? What colour is their tail ...check out the Wildlife Trusts identification site.

Can you support our bees with more opportunities to eat, drink and live - mini meadows - in flower pots on your doorstep? Water saucers? Wild, 'messy' areas?

Learn about their 'waggle dance' and maybe learn how to draw a bee?





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

www.youngclimatewarriors.org



Valuing Difference – Reject Racism workshop



Valuing Difference

Similarities and difference
Celebrating difference
Showing kindness

As part of our Growing and Changing theme in PSHE -Personal, Social and Health Education, we are further developing children's knowledge about aspects of difference. Difference including gender, disability, faith, families and race. This spans the subject areas within the national curriculum. At St Nicolas' we want children to increasingly grow thinking and discussion skills when exploring topics in a safe and sensitive way.

Recognising, valuing and celebrating difference
Developing respect and accepting others
Bullying and getting help

Our PSHE program includes sessions shown in the table beginning with EYFS at the start through to Year 6 at the end of the table. This is mainly through Coram Scarf resources.

Being kind and helping others
Celebrating difference
People who help us
Listening Skills

In July Year 3, 4, and 5 will take part in a Reject Racism workshop led by Equaliteach, a registered charity that provides resources on issues of equality diversity and inclusion. This will broaden children's awareness and lead onto further development in the autumn term.

Recognising and respecting diversity
Being respectful and tolerant
My community

The Reject Racism workshop is



'A pupil-led workshop which explores the impact of racism on an individual, institutional and structural level, building students' racial literacy and supporting them to understand the harms of using racialised language.' (Equaliteach)

Recognising and celebrating difference (including religions and cultural difference)
Understanding and challenging stereotypes

During the workshop the children will:

Recognising and celebrating difference, including religions and cultural
Influence and pressure of social media

Define racism and understand the different forms that it can take

Understand the potential impact of racism on peoples' lives
Consider appropriate terminology to discuss race and identity
Discuss the harms and consequences of using racialised language

Recognising and celebrating difference
Recognising and reflecting on prejudice-based bullying
Understanding Bystander behaviour
Gender stereotyping

Understand what to do if they witness or experience racism in school

We want to continue to make our whole school approach to equality and diversity relevant to changes/influences in the world.



Headteacher Awards



Chestnut: **Jayden** for working so hard on his amazing Lighthouse design. **Livia** for showing care and kindness to others.

Elm: **Nick** for joining in our class assembly and speaking very confidently and clearly. **Yuvraj** for working hard to be an independent learner.

Ash: **Beatrix** for her fantastic description of her dragon machine and explaining how it works! **Bobby** for his great contributions and thoughtful insights when discussing in geography why our oceans are under threat.

Oak: **Niall** for successfully completing his 'GOLD' level in the 99 Club and moving on to PLATINUM'. **Avni** for her excellent use of expanded noun phrases when describing her setting and mythical character Safire.

Pine: **Amos** for an excellent week where he supported others during computing and sang beautifully in music. **Charlie** for brainstorming a fabulous word bank, full of similes, metaphors and high-level vocabulary, ready to describe the beast Grendel.

Willow: **Josh** for being a supportive friend in Bikeability and pushing himself to be a master mathematician. **Bella** for striving hard to understand multiplying and dividing decimals and being an independent learner.

Fir: **Max** for learning every word of the songs for the Year 6 show and for being an alert, hard-working member of the stage crew. Lily for using excellent initiative and having a can-do, helpful attitude when organising the costume department

And finally...

It's been an action-packed week here. Enjoy a sunny weekend off!

Ms Holmes and the team



PTA and Community News

ST NICOLAS LUNCHTIME & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

UNITED AS ONE



DAY	LUNCHTIME	AFTER SCHOOL	AFTER SCHOOL
Monday 8 th Sept to 8 th Dec	CHESS YR 3-6	FOOTBALL YR 1 & 2	
Thursday 11 th Sept to 11 th Dec	LEGO YR 1 & 2	NETBALL YR 3-6	FOOTBALL YR 3-6
Friday 12 th Sept to 12 th Dec	GIRLS FOOTBALL YR 3-6	DODGEBALL YR 1-6	

***Please note not including October half term
20th - 31st October**

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WWW.MAIDENHEADUNITEDFC.ORG OR THE QR
CODES AND TYPE ST NICOLAS FOR FURTHER
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st Peter's Week 2025

SATURDAY 28th JUNE

Scavenger Hunt Quiz and Craft

2pm - 4:30pm

in Cornerstone & Churchyard

Come and join us for an afternoon celebrating God's creation in our beautiful churchyard.

Hopefully the sun will be shining and you'll be able to come along between 2pm and 4:30pm for craft, a quiz or a scavenger hunt (depending on your energy levels!), and tea and cake to admire and explore our space and everything that goes in to caring for it.

