



# St Nicholas Church School

## School Newsletter

11th June 2021

*'Joyful is the person who finds wisdom'*

Dear Parents,

As we go into the final term of this year, it is lovely to see the children happily playing in the playground and enjoying the lovely weather. Year 2 were so excited to go on their trip to Folly farm. They had a lovely day and obviously enjoyed the activities looking at the wildlife—they loved telling me about the newts they found!

I am sorry that parents are not able to wave the coaches off when children go on day trips—we are not currently allowed to do anything that encourages groups to congregate—hopefully this will change soon.

Currently we are planning to have our sports days in bubbles. We hope that we may be able to invite parents but this will all depend on the Government decision on Monday. We will let you know as soon as we know.

The year 6 leavers Prom will be able to go ahead for the children no matter what the decision and we will live stream their leavers service and play if we are not allowed to have an audience. We will do our best to make it as special as possible.

Visitors to our school have been so impressed by our children. They have commented on how lovely it is that they are inquisitive, well behaved and so polite. Professionals who come to our school regularly always comment on the lovely atmosphere, a real testament to the hard work of the staff and your wonderful children.

Have a lovely weekend in the sun—I think I am off to the beach!

Best wishes,

Nicki

Many of the trips for the children are **unlikely to run** due to non-payment of the voluntary contribution. This includes the Year 6 leavers trips.

Whilst payment is voluntary, we do not have the funds in school to pay the substantial amounts that would be required to go ahead with the trips. It would be such a shame to have to cancel after the year the children have had!

### **COVID 19 IS STILL A RISK!**

**Cases are on the rise in our area. Cases across the country are rising in younger people.**

**We want to be able to invite parents back into school for events so**

**PLEASE, PLEASE**

- ⇒ **keep wearing your masks on the car park**
- ⇒ **maintain social distancing with friends on the car park**
- ⇒ **do not send your child to school if they have a persistent cough or temperature above 37.8 until you have had a negative PCR test.**

CAM	95.63 %
LOX	94.44 %
SOMER	98.83 %
BRUE	100 %
DART	99.29 %
AVON	97.92 %
KENNET	98.61%
MELLS	100 %
SEVERN	99.1 %
HUNTSPILL	97.73 %
HARTLAKE	99.37 %
MIDFORD	100 %

### Attendance this Term

Attendance this week was a brilliant **98.35%** . Well done everyone! Please ensure you arrive at the correct time to collect your child after school. Covid rules and timings are still in place and we cannot release late pick ups until all the other bubbles have gone.

**Please note: we are not able to authorise any holidays during term time. Please be honest with us. It is so sad for the children to have to lie about whether they have been sick or not; they always tell us about their holidays and we will always talk to them about their trip. They are not to blame for adult decisions.**

## KS2 Celebration Assembly

	Star	Maths Magician	Wizard Effort	Wizard Improved	Wizard Writer
AVON	Freddie	Oscar W	Jay	Paige	Amelia
KENNET	Kai	Aleisha	Lily	Elijah	Lexi
MELLS	Mercedes	Amy	Romeo	Leo	Joshua
SEVERN	Oliver	Henry	Jack BP	Blake	Scarlett
HUNTSPILL	Maisie	Gracie	Liam B	Lily	Azura
HARTLAKE	Summer	Karis	Oscar	Darcy	Rain
MIDFORD	Corey	Caydn			Brooke

## Sunflower Competition

To raise everybody's spirits, we've been trying to get all of the classes outside as much as possible over the last few weeks to enjoy the warm sunshine and let the children have lots of social time to support their well-being. Some classes have started to do gardening work around the grounds, which the children have loved. To keep the outdoor gardening theme going, we have decided to have a Sunflower growing competition for all of the children in the school. We know some classes have attempted this already, but we thought it would be lovely to give all children the same opportunity. A huge thank you to the PTFA who have worked hard to source seeds, compost and pots for all the children and your child will be coming home with a planted seed very soon, ready to grow. Let's see who can grow the tallest sunflower at home by the end of the Summer holidays!

Once your sunflower is at full height, you could take a picture of your child stood next to it and send it to our Facebook page. There will be prizes for the best sunflowers when we return to school in September.

Have fun and happy gardening!

**Please ensure that you put sun-cream on your child each morning and send them with a sun hat and water bottle. Thank you.**

## **Important Dates**

**Reception Trip Carymoor 16th July**

**Year 1 Trip SS Great Britain 16th June**

**Year 3 Trip Noah's Ark Zoo Farm 22nd June**

**Year 4 Trip Lyme Regis 30th June**

**Year 5 Trip We are the Curious 1st July**

## **Year 6 Dates**

Apologies that some of these dates are close together but we didn't want year 6 to miss out on any of their final treats. Please note these dates all assume that the government will be removing COVID 19 restrictions so are subject to change.

### **Dates for the Year 6 Events are:**

**Thursday 24th June** Weston Super Mare all day

**Monday 28th June** Stratford-on-Avon

**Monday 5th to Wednesday 7th July** Residential Trip

**Monday 12th July 6pm** Year 6 production 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'

**Friday 16th July** Year 6 Prom—Dress to impress!

5.45pm Drinks reception, Year 6 parents, pupils staff

6.30pm Year 6 pupils and staff leavers dinner

Dancing until 8.45pm

### **Wednesday 21st July**

8.30am Year 6 Pupils and parents breakfast followed by leavers service.

12.20pm Year 6 leave

12.30pm End of school year for the whole school

## **Term Dates 2021**

### **TERM 6**

**Finish: Wednesday 21 July 2021 12.20pm Year 6**

# SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES

2021-2022 Academic Year

**Including INSET DAYS**

<b>TERM 1</b>	
Start:	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2021
Finish:	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2021
<b>TERM 2</b>	
Start:	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2021
Finish:	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021
<b>TERM 3</b>	
Start::	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Finish:	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
<b>TERM 4</b>	
Start:	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
Finish:	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
<b>TERM 5</b>	
Start:	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
Finish:	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
<b>TERM 6</b>	
Start:	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022
Finish:	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2022
<b>INSET DAYS</b>	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021
	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2021
	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2021
	Tuesday January 4 <sup>th</sup> 2022
	Monday January 24 <sup>th</sup> 2022