



St Nicholas Church School

School Newsletter

4th March 2022 Term 4 Newsletter 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I need to thank you for all the amazing costumes that the children had for World Book Day - all of the children looked amazing, and they had lots of fun. Also many thanks for the contributions for Children's Mental Health Week - the children all looked super today and thoroughly enjoyed their cookies.

It was lovely to catch up with our Spirit Award today, the children are all so well behaved and follow our values so it becomes more and more difficult for staff to choose who should have the award. At today's worship I also announced our new Head Girl, Phoebe B, and Head Boy, Henry W, who join Maisy and Joseph in representing our school. These two children have been excellent role models throughout their time at St Nicholas and embrace our values in their day to day life. Congratulations go to both of them.

The children have asked to do a cake sale on Comic Relief day - it will also be 'Topsy Turvey' Day (also suggested by the School Council). Contributions from the cake sale will go to the Red Cross for the Ukrainian Appeal. We will sell cakes at break time and any left over we will sell at the end of the day - we are asking parents to send in cakes to sell. We are in very worrying times, and I am sure I am not alone in closely tracking the news coming out of Ukraine. I am sure everyone is trying to protect their children as much as possible, but the reality is we cannot shield them from everything. I have been taking the lead from the children and each day we pray for what they ask for - usually the people of the Ukraine and the Russian people who do not want to be in the situation they find themselves. On Monday I reassured all the children about their safety and spoke to them about ensuring they share any worry with their parents, carers and staff here. There is nothing more difficult than knowing what to say to the children about war. Some helpful websites are;

Supporting your child if they see upsetting content online about what is happening in Ukraine (Childnet)

<https://www.childnet.com/blog/supporting-your-child-with-upsetting-content/>

We should not hide from children what is happening in Ukraine (Schools Week/Children's Commissioner)

<https://schoolsweek.co.uk/we-should-not-hide-from-children-what-is-happening-in-ukraine/>

How to talk to children about what's happening in Ukraine and World War Three anxiety (Metro)

<https://metro.co.uk/2022/02/24/how-to-talk-to-children-about-whats-happening-in-ukraine-16163133/>

Help for teachers and families to talk to pupils about Russia's invasion of Ukraine and how to help them avoid misinformation (Department for Education)

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/02/25/help-for-teachers-and-families-to-talk-to-pupils-about-russias-invasion-of-ukraine-and-how-to-help-them-avoid-misinformation/>

I hope you have a good weekend and pray that the world situation will have improved when I write next week.

Best wishes,

Nicki

World Book Day

Some of our amazing pictures from World Book Day .
We will add more to our website shortly.



Class Attendance

Cam	96.4%
Frome	98.5%
Somer	95.6%
Dart	96.8%
Avon	98.7%
Tone	89.8%
Mells	93.5%
Severn	97%
Yeo	88.2%
Hartlake	100%
Midford	91.4%
Wellow	87.5%
Attendance overall this week is 95.5%.	
Well done everyone.	

Spirit of St Nic's

We had a very busy Term 3 with lots of visitors coming into school and working with the children. During the assembly one child from each class was presented with a trophy for their work, outstanding achievements and overall commitment to St Nicholas during Term 3. They will keep the trophy until the next Spirit of St Nicholas Service which will be held at the end of each term. Winners for this term:

Cam: Caleb C	Somer: Bradley R	Frome: Oliver L	Dart: Rosie G
Avon: LuKas TS	Tone: Evie E	Mells: George W	Year 5: Mollie-May I
	Hartlake: Riley D	Midford: Logan H	

Well done to Everyone

Diary Dates

Tuesday 8th March

Parents Evening

Thursday 10th March

Parents Evening

Friday 11 March

KS1 Celebration Assembly

Tuesday 15th March

Parents Evening

Wednesday 16th March

2:00pm Year 1 Family Event

Friday 18th March

KS2 Celebration Assembly

Tuesday 22nd March

Year 4 Family Lunch

Wednesday 30th March

Year 5 Trip to Eden Project

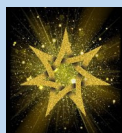
House Points

Foxcote 17

Tyning 33

Huish 27

Ludlow 46



Parents Evening

Parents Evening will now take place on the **15th & 17th March**. You will be able to book your appointment next week. We will send a text message to let you know. All appointments will need to be booked through E-Schools. Please ensure you have your user name and password. It is very important that all parents attend as this is our opportunity to share your child's achievements and raise any concerns.

Our Values

Pancake Day! This week each class discussed Shrove Tuesday and its meaning. Year 1 were busy decorating pancakes with their favourite toppings and Year 6 looked at the history of the famous pancake race in Onley Buckinghamshire. We researched and found out that the biggest pancake was 15 metres wide and so we created this with some of the children laying down in the corridor. Our RE word of the week was temptation and our value for this lesson was endurance. Well done everyone.



SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES

2021-2022 Academic Year

Including INSET DAYS

TERM 1	
Start:	Monday 6 th September 2021
Finish:	Friday 22 nd October 2021
TERM 2	
Start:	Tuesday 2 nd November 2021
Finish:	Friday 17 th December 2021
TERM 3	
Start::	Wednesday 5 th January 2022
Finish:	Friday 18 th February 2022
TERM 4	
Start:	Monday 28 th February 2022
Finish:	Friday 8 th April 2022
TERM 5	
Start:	Monday 25 th April 2022
Finish:	Friday 27 th May 2022
TERM 6	
Start:	Monday 6 th June 2022
Finish:	Thursday 21st July 2022
INSET DAYS	Thursday 2 nd September 2021
	Friday 3 rd September 2021
	Monday 1 st November 2021
	Tuesday 4th January 2022
	Monday 24th January 2022
	Friday 22nd July 2022
	Extra date due to the Queen's Jubilee