



St Nicholas^{CE} First School

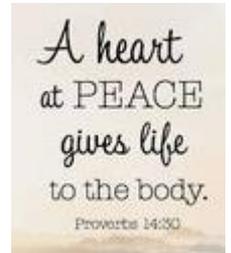
learning and believing, growing and achieving

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Dear Parents

What a busy first full week back we have had! The children have enjoyed their Inspiration Days! For those who came in costume a big thank you to parents who helped create some really lovely ideas, from the astronaut princess in Reception through to the castle folk of Year 1 and the nautical characters in Year 2 a lot of fun and a lot of learning has been had by all!



This week I must say a big thankyou to St Nicholas Church for the time given to us on Tuesday and Wednesday to visit and explore the building. Members of the church community were stationed around the building ready to show children how different parts of the church were used and the symbolism and meaning behind different things in the church. Upon their return children shared snippets of news with their teachers and I. One child in Year 4 told me that he had seen the font and really wanted to be baptised now and belong to God's family officially! Children in Year 2 wrote some really grown up and insightful reflections upon their return, some of my favourites can be read below:

When I was in church I felt happy and I loved the windows and the special doors. I saw a beautiful gold cup (a chalice). *Kiyra*

The font is where babies are baptised. The altar is where there is bread and wine. There is a different coloured cloth on the altar at different times in the church year. *Sienna*

I felt like I belonged to the St Nicholas family, because I go to St Nicholas Church and St Nicholas School. *Ellie*

I felt calm because everybody was quiet. I felt peaceful because I felt like part of God's family. I felt loved because God loves us. *Lea*

Best wishes Miss J Parker Head Teacher



Here are a few pics from the visit.

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Superstars of the week!

Class/Award	Name	Reason
N1	Theo Wright	For trying hard with the maths challenges this week!
N2	Lillie Williams	For having a go at new activities within the classroom.
RB	Riley Pinches	For showing a positive attitude to learning.
RP	Tobyn Siddell	For his excellent adding up using fairy pennies and recording his own number sentences!
1W	Harrison Foxall	For using his phonic sounds to help with his writing.
1R	Harry Haycox	For superb Science work about sorting materials.
2A	Amy Thompson	For asking and answering lots of questions when we visited the church.
2S	Hannah Hassell	For listening and contributing to our visit to church.
3HW	James Green	For thoughtful reflections following our church visit this week!
3M	Thomas Read-Arnold	For a fantastic Viking longship.
4W	Molly Parsons	For great work and attitude to all learning.
4G	Dori Fear	For being a consistently exceptional role model.

Children's Teddy Bear Raffle

Two of our children Solomon and Eden will be travelling to the Gambia with their family to go and find out more about the way people live. The children will be visiting and working with a school, offering support and learning about the different hardships the children face, compared to in England. In order to support this school as it develops, we have decided to hold a raffle in school to win a Build a Bear Workshop teddy bear, tickets will be on sale at £1 a strip from Mon-Thurs next week, with the raffle being drawn in Thursday morning's assembly. Children can bring £1 to school to buy their ticket and all monies raised will go towards purchasing basic educational materials: pencils, rubbers, crayons etc, that we at St Nicholas take for granted on a daily basis.

Digi Dude says...

Don't forget Eco-Day next Tuesday, please see diary dates for a reminder of info.



Never talk to strangers online. Sometimes people are not who they say they are. We wouldn't talk to strangers in the street, so why do it online? If a stranger contacts you, don't delay, tell a grown up straight away!

Well done to all who danced at Codsall Middle this week!