



# St Nicholas<sup>CE</sup> First School

learning and believing, growing and achieving

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Dear Parents

We hope the children have enjoyed their Sports Relief activities this week in school. A big thank you to Miss Pugh and Mr Mills for organising all of the opportunities for children.



Thank you to Rugby Tots who came and gave Reception children a taster session on Tuesday. All Reception children really enjoyed it with one child saying to their friend as they walked back to class 'that was so much fun, I want to play rugby.'

The children have all enjoyed Mr Mills' Mega Challenge - each class has taken it in turn to wear pedometers and count their total number of steps which we have submitted to Sport Relief in the nationwide campaign to reach 1 billion steps. It is important for children to challenge themselves to achieve their personal bests but also to learn to work towards a community or in this case national effort to achieve.

Children have submitted their ideas for a new sport in our competition. Many children have thought carefully about the rules and tactics involved. The winners of the competition will be presented with a prize in school before we break up for Easter. Thank you for supporting our sport relief week and helping raise money for Sport Relief. We hope the children have greatly enjoyed the active challenges set this week including Tom Daley's Daily challenge.

Alongside our Sport Relief fundraising this week, a big well done and thank you to Year 2 children. Having been learning about the work of the WWF and animals in different climates, the Year 2 children and their teachers felt they wanted to raise money to support this charity as a school, by holding a cake sale. The children really enjoyed the activity (not to mention making their cakes at home) and were good little entrepreneurs! They are excited at the prospect of adopting 2 school polar bears and doing their bit to save the planet, fitting in with our half termly value of Justice. Well done Year 2 and thank you parents for supplying cakes and for allowing children to bring their 20ps in to school to buy their cakes!



Just a reminder that we break up from school next week on Thursday for the Easter holidays. We have **2 training days on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> April** where staff are working in school and children are welcomed back to school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April.

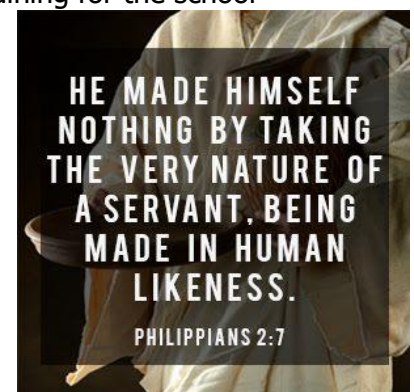
Please see subsequent pages for reminders about Easter events remaining for the school community next week.

Best wishes

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Please see below for our Easter programme of events coming up next week also:

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2-4pm PTFA Easter Egg Hunt

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 10am Easter Church Service

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 3pm Easter Bonnet Parade (can be sent in from Mon onwards for display in school) (weather permitting)

## Superstars of the week!

| Class/Award | Name                 | Reason   |
|-------------|----------------------|--|
| <b>N1</b>   | Sienna Kilvert       | For discussing the properties of 2D shapes.  |
| <b>N2</b>   | Charlie Sims         | For having a go at the Maths challenges and trying hard with counting!                                     |
| <b>RB</b>   | Hollie Hipgrave      | For writing super sentences in phonics.  |
| <b>RP</b>   | Aaron Kang           | For his perseverance and hard work in independent writing.   |
| <b>1W</b>   | Ciara Edwards        | For always contributing well in class and giving thoughtful answers.                                       |
| <b>1R</b>   | Olivia Wilson        | For working really hard in all her lessons this week, especially for using full stops and capital letters. |
| <b>2A</b>   | Clara Butler Montero | For working hard to problem solve in Maths.  |
| <b>2S</b>   | Arjan Bassi          | For working hard on his writing and achieving his handwriting pen.   |
| <b>3HW</b>  | Ettie-Belle Rushton  | For super application of mathematical understanding about fractions!                                       |
| <b>3M</b>   | Henry Preston        | For excellent work in Maths!   |
| <b>4W</b>   | Grace-Louise Holden  | Brilliant effort in all lessons.   |
| <b>4G</b>   | Luke Bassett         | For an exceptional piece of writing!   |

### PTFA News

#### EASTER RAFFLE

This Easter instead of our usual raffle we are holding an Easter Quiz for families to complete at home. Quiz sheets are £2 and will be on sale at the Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday and on the playground at the Easter Bonnet Parade next week. All proceeds will go to the school and we have some great prizes for the top scorers:

**First Prize** A £50 restaurant choice gift card provided by Apollo Home Healthcare

**Second Prize** A gift voucher for two people to attend a mindfulness relaxation class provided by Mind Escape Hypnotherapy.

**Third Prize** Afternoon tea for two at Lacey's Bistro

**Fourth Prize** A meal for two from the new menu at the Legion Club

### **ADULTS COCKTAIL NIGHT**

On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May the PTFA will be hosting a cocktail night at the Forget Me Not rooms in the village. Finer details will be sent out after the Easter Holiday but please start getting a group of friends together and put the date in your diary!

### **A PLEA FOR NEW MEMBERS**

We always need fresh ideas, extra hands and new friends on the PTFA, you don't need a particular skill, just enthusiasm to help us fundraise.

Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March**, 7pm at school. We will be discussing the Cocktail Night and our summer plans. Please come along to find out what we do and then join us for a drink in the village afterwards.

**Treasurer help** – We are looking for someone interested in taking on the role of treasurer in September. Our current treasurer can show you the ropes over the next few months and will be on hand to support you once you take over. Please email us for more information.

We are finding it increasingly hard to run the bigger events such as summer fair and fireworks night and urgently need more occasional helpers. The larger events are our biggest earners for the year, without them there is less money going into school for fun things like playground games, coaches for trips and IT equipment. If you don't want to be involved in organising but are happy to run a stall at events, please email us with your contact details so that we can call on you for help.

We hope you all enjoy the **Easter Egg Hunt 2-4pm this Sunday**, many thanks to you all for your continued support at our events. Thanks *Lou Griffiths PTFA Chair*

### **Digi Dude says:**



Be mindful as to how children are communicating with their peers online. Establish ground rules for inappropriate use and monitor appropriateness of comments made, times that communication is being carried out etc to build a picture of your child's internet use.

If you would like to support the school and a small group of parents by seeking to get a new crossing patrol representative in place to fill the gap at the Bakers Way posting, left by Ron who you may remember retired recently, please send an email in to

[helen.barnes@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:helen.barnes@staffordshire.gov.uk)

## What's On at Codsall Library this Easter

### Tuesday 3rd April – Lego Club 2pm to 4pm

Free – come and build something great at our free Lego club

### Friday 6th April – Easter Crafts 10.30am – 12pm

Make a bunny and an Easter wreath, Easter egg hunt and colouring competition - £1 per child

### Saturday 7th April – World Health day

Celebrating World Health day focusing on teen mental health, with a quiz and activities

### Saturday 7th April – Children's reading groups 11am – 12pm

Reading chat, crafts and fun, for children aged 9 and over, new members welcome

### Tuesday 10th April – Lego Club 2pm -4pm

Free - come and build something great at our free Lego club

### Thursday 12th April – Minecraft Day 10.30am – 12pm

Make a Steve and Minecraft world, treasure hunt and TNT goody bag - £1 per child