



# St Nicholas<sup>CE (VC)</sup> First School

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Dear Parents

I hope that you all enjoyed the Easter holidays with your children and that they are ready and raring to go for the Summer Term. Having looked through the term ahead with staff this week, it is certainly going to be a busy one, with lots going on which we hope will excite the children.

This week we welcomed Mr Gough back to St Nicholas, he will be a permanent addition to our staff team and is keen to be fully involved in the school community. Please do come and say hello to him if you remember him when he was with us in Year 1 just a few years ago.

As per the post on the school website, children can start wearing Summer school uniform as soon as parents feel that the weather warrants it. May I ask that all parents however are mindful that children must have suitable outdoor footwear on with Summer uniform. Many sandals are not safe for the children at playtimes or even within their classrooms. Please ensure that children wear appropriate, safe, school shoes along with their Summer uniform. Thank you for your support with this.

As you know St Nicholas is currently working as part of a Multi-Academy Trust with Codsall Middle School. I must inform you that Birches First School governors are currently in the process of consulting with staff, parents and the community about the possibility of joining Codsall MAT. With much in common with St Nicholas as a fellow First School, there will be many benefits for Codsall MAT, St Nicholas and Birches First in working more closely as part of a Multi Academy Trust.

Finally I must remind parents that I am unable to authorise holiday in term time as per government direction unless in exceptional circumstances. I have noticed in recent months an increase in the requests that parents are making for absence and must reiterate that this will be almost always be recorded as unauthorised and therefore be subject to scrutiny should your child's attendance at any point (sometimes through no fault of your own – illness etc) fall below Local Authority attendance markers.

May I remind you that school is closed on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May for the May Day Bank Holiday and that on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May children will return for an exciting Inspiration Day to kick start the term's topics. Please see later on in the newsletter for a reminder of any requirements for your child's participation on the day.

Best wishes

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## Inspiration Day Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017

Nursery - All Things Bright and Beautiful - children can come dressed as per a usual Nursery session

Reception - All Things Bright and Beautiful - please wear suitable outdoor clothes that can be worn for gardening and exploring the great outdoors (weather appropriate).

Year 1 - Weather - School uniform please

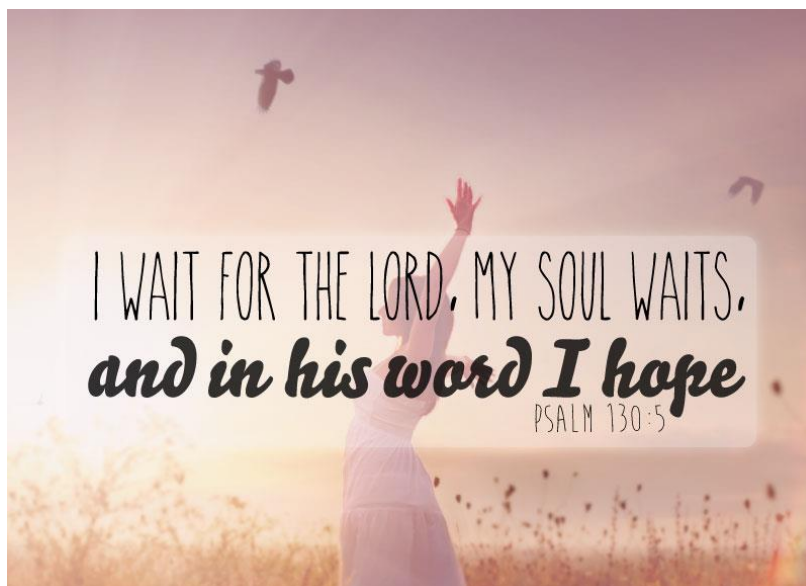
Year 2 - Our Local Area - Deferred to post assessment, uniform on 2nd May as normal. (However children DO have an excited day – penguin related to get stuck into)

Year 3 - France - Children to wear Red, White and Blue if possible, if not school uniform.

Year 4 - Coasts and Rivers - Comfortable, non-smart clothes suitable for a lot of craft and messy activities.

As always, if any parents have an interest, talent or any resources that support the topics that children are working on, please do contact class teachers to see how you can get involved in the class topics! A big well done to **Imogen Andrews** and family for her super video presentation about Rocks and Soils building upon what had been learnt in Year 3 in the Spring Term. By working at home on her topic and sharing her interest with her parents, Imogen has produced a high quality presentation that demonstrates all that she has learnt, but also exemplifies her communication skills. After all how useful is it for the children to learn fact upon fact if they are unable to share it in a meaningful way. Well done!

Our next PTFA Meeting is on Wed 10<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm in school – why not come along?



# Superstars of the week!

Class/Award	Name	Reason
<b>N1</b>	Biba Guest	For doing lovely paintings of vegetables during our Oliver's Vegetables week!
<b>N2</b>	Willow Baker	For sharing her knowledge of different vegetables and having a go at planting in our gardening tuff tray!
<b>RB</b>	Eden Field	For a lovely settled start to the Summer term and being so helpful!
<b>RP</b>	A'Myah McCalla	For her continued hard work in phonics and using her phase 5 sounds in her independent work!
<b>1M</b>	Ella-Mae Thompson Wiggan	For a super recount of her Easter holidays!
<b>1R</b>	Reuben Price	For excellent topic work about the weather and remembering to use finger spaces between his words!
<b>2A</b>	Rayan Chauhdry	For confidently using a numberline to add and subtract numbers.
<b>2S</b>	Roman Wylde	For making a good start settling into his new school!
<b>3HW</b>	Chloe Link	For an excellent attitude for learning and super behaviour at all times!
<b>3P</b>	Finley Knight	For applying his understanding of multiplication and division to finding fractions of a number.
<b>4C</b>	Lola Fellows	For working hard in Maths applying her knowledge of measurements to problem solving.
<b>4S</b>	Caide Derbyshire	For hard work in Maths this week, especially dividing decimals by 10 and 100.
<b>Sportsperson of the week</b>	Sienna Rogers	For always getting stuck into games and trying her very best!

I have shared dates for Sport's Days in the final newsletter of the Spring Term. One or two parents have asked for them again so here they are:

Monday 19th June      KS1 Sports Day and Picnic Lunch  
 Tues 20th June        KS2 Sports Day and Picnic Lunch  
 Wed 21st June         EYFS Sports Day and Seaside Party

