



St Nicholas CE (VC)
First School

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Friday 14th October 2016

Dear Parents

First I must start by thanking all of the families who donated generously to our Harvest campaign this year! The children of St Nicholas will have gone a long way to supporting those in need. As always you rose to the challenge to show your support for the school and others and we hope that those of you able to attend enjoyed an opportunity to celebrate the Harvest with us down in church on Tuesday. Can I thank Rev Simon for having us in church to meet together and worship, it is always a special time within the school community. We look forward to our Christmas services later on in the year which will be organised into two sessions, one for EYFS and KS1 (Years 1 and 2) and one for KS2 (Years 3 and 4). We have decided to try this at Christmas to ensure all of our children are comfortable in church (it has become a bit of a squash over the years as both school numbers as well as parent support has grown!).

A big thank you to our Reception parents who came in to create their wonderful family trees this week, working alongside their children. It was a lovely time for staff and parents and all of the masterpieces created were wonderful to look at. A big thank you to our team of staff in Reception for organising these special opportunities for our younger children to help them to settle.

We have one more week in school before half term. Next week children break up on Thursday with staff accessing training and well-being opportunities in their Friday session. Don't forget that we have our Parent Consultation Meetings taking place in the hall next week on Monday and Tuesday. Please do try to arrive on time for these so as to not inconvenience other parents who follow you. Teachers will need to remain strict with the ten minute slots allocated to fit everyone in and so if you have any lengthy, private matters to discuss, may I as always urge you to bring these to their attention in a separate appointment. I will also be on hand within the sessions should anyone want to come and say hello, ask a question or if new to school introduce themselves. We look forward to seeing you.

Finally a reminder that the PTFA are actively selling Firework Night tickets now (4th November), please don't miss out, it is always a very well attended event! Also please look out for your free sample Christmas card as designed by your child. We have noticed that despite being given the correct school name the company responsible for printing and selling these has made a mistake and this will be corrected on the final versions parents buy. Likewise the colour quality on the final prints produced by Nursery and Toddler group children is also being investigated in the hope to improve it.

Wishing you a happy and peaceful weekend,

Miss J Parker
Head Teacher



Psalm 16:8
I have set
the Lord
always before
me. Because he
is my right
hand, I will not
be shaken.

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Superstars of the week!

Class/Award	Name	Reason
N1	Harry Shore	For showing great enthusiasm to all of our activities and making some yummy chocolate cakes in our mud kitchen!
N2	Mason Barratt	For trying new activities, being a top chef making bird cake and doing some lovely leaf printing.
RB	Harley Smith	For his beautiful writing about our Autumn walk.
RP	Noah Boddison	For working hard when writing about his Autumn walk, recognising the initial sounds in words he wrote.
1M	Chloe Elliman	For super spelling using her phonics and sight words.
1R	Maisie Speed	For trying really hard in phonics lessons and using her skills during reading sessions.
2A	Ryan Spittle	For being a super role model and always making good choices in school.
2S	Erin Phillips	For working really hard on her adjectives in her descriptive work!
3HW	Isobel Lees	For beautiful drawing at Wroxeter Roman City!
3P	Archie Mack	For working hard in our literacy lessons.
4C	Isabel Preston	For great team work and improving her basketball skills this week.
4S	Robbie Phillips	For hard work and enthusiasm in all subjects, especially our WW2 topic!
Sportsperson of the week	Lily Lewis	For a valiant effort in her Cross Country Competition.

Emergency Services Week Info

Monday 17 th October	Years 3 and 4 children have a Stranger Danger talk from the Police Service
Tuesday 18 th October	Years 1-4 have a session to learn about CPR as part of Restart the Heart day with West Midland's Ambulance Service
Wednesday 19 th October	Reception and Year 1 children have a visit from the Fire Brigade
Thursday 20 th October	Years 1-4 have a session to learn about the Recovery Position with West Midland's Ambulance Service Whole School Emergency Services Sponsored Event 2.50pm – George's Pumpkin Sale 3pm Whole School Emergency Services Parade – children wear own clothes/hats etc, e.g Nurse, Dr, RNLI, Police, Fireperson etc Parents welcome to attend and support!



Don't forget St Nics @ St Nics next week which will be based on the story of Jonah and the Whale.

Diary Dates For Next Half Term

Monday 31 st October	School opens for Autumn 2 nd Half Term
Thursday 3 rd November	Birches v St Nics Football match (away)
Friday 4 th November	PTFA Firework Night Last day for sponsor monies to be returned
Wednesday 9 th November	Whole school Diwali day
7.30pm	PTFA Meeting – all welcome – Christmas events
Friday 11 th November	Year 4 House Sports Morning led by Miss Cranston
Wednesday 16 th November	Year 1 children visited by Samuel Pepys
Thursday 17 th November	St Christopher's v St Nics (away –played at Codsall Middle)
Friday 18 th November	Children In need – wear own clothes Small book sale led by School Council Lloyds Bank supporting
Monday 28 th November 2pm	Y2 Nativity for parents
Tuesday 29 th November 10am 3.30pm	Y2 Nativity for parents St Nics @ St Nics
Thursday 1 st December 10am 2pm	N1 Nursery Nativity N2 Nursery Nativity
Friday 2 nd December	School Council Christmas Sale
Saturday 3 rd December	PTFA Christmas Event – more info in due course
Monday 5 th December 9.15-10.15am 6-7pm	E-Safety Parent meeting with Concerro
Tuesday 6 th December 2.15pm	Reception Nativity
Wednesday 7 th December 9.15-10.45am 1.45-3pm	Class 1M Nativity shoebox session with parents Class 1R Nativity shoebox session with parents
Thursday 8 th December 2.15pm	Reception Nativity
Friday 9 th December 2pm	Y3 Christmas Musical Extravaganza
Monday 12 th December	KS1 Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 13 th December 9.30am-10.30am 11-12noon	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Church Service KS2 Christmas Church Service
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Thursday 15 th December	EYFS (Nursery and Reception) Cinderella Pantomime
Friday 16 th December	Last day of the Autumn Term
Tuesday 3 rd January 2017	School re-opens for the Spring Term

NB there may be some slight changes over the term, which we will of course communicate to you with maximum notice possible. Equally there will be further dates of Christmas parties etc that will be communicated to you as the term proceeds.

Need name labels for your child's uniform etc? Visit [Stikins](#), our school suppliers who provide commission on all sales raising funds for the school. Our school number is 21269.

Cross Country Fun!

A big thank you to Miss Cranston and parents who supported this event this week. We have two first place teams as well as a third team, who have qualified to the next round. A big well done to all!

