

learning and believing, growing and achieving

St. Nicholas CE First School, Codsall **Belvide Gardens** Codsall Wolverhampton WV8 1AN

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018

## **Dear Parents**

Firstly a big thank you to our staff and PTFA members for a lovely disco evening last Friday. The children had fun, enjoyed their dancing and social time and raised in excess of £600 for the PTFA as a result!

Also a big thank you and well done to all involved in the R-Y4 sponsored Read (£1282.70 exceeding our target) and the Nursery Cheeky Monkey Challenge Sponsored event (over £800 and still climbing), again these raised large sums which will be ploughed back into the purchase of new resources and reading materials for our children. Your fundraising efforts really go a long way to help us provide the best we can for the children in school and are appreciated! Thank you for your support!

We are having a few issues of late with amassing lost property in school. Please do ensure all items are labelled to help us ensure their safe return to your child. Inevitably we can only hold onto lost property for a fixed period of time and as such will have to dispose of unclaimed items from time to time. Please do encourage your child to look for their own belongings and take responsibility for them. Lost property can be located outside my office and is accessible at home time daily to parents.

The weather this week has been warm and very close. Please ensure children wear sun cream and have labelled sun hats in school on hot davs.

A big well done to Joel P in Year 3 who went along to Hampton Court Palace to be part of the 500 Words competition celebrations. Joel was a competition entrant himself and clearly looks like he had an amazing day!



This week we welcomed Birches First School Reception children to St Nicholas for a very special partnership day which meant the children had an opportunity to show off their school, make new friends and try out new activities. The children had a lot of fun and Miss Pugh and I hope that this is something we can replicate in future years!

Next week we look forward to our Sports Days. Children can come to school all day in suitable PE kit on these days. I will ask teachers to ensure that these are sent home the night before. Please refresh yourself should you need to as to the dates, times and arrangements for these by referring to the school website.

Finally I wish you all a peaceful and positive weekend and look forward to seeing you all next week for a very sporty week indeed!

Best wishes

Miss J Parker

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I have had reports of a gentleman recording his child/grandchild on the school playground. Whilst I am sure this is innocent enough, we would ask that no photos or videos are taken on the school site, without prior consent. This maintains the privacy of all of our site users.

## Superstars of the week!

| Class/Award | Name              | Reason  |  |  |  |
|-------------|-------------------|---|--|--|--|
| N1          | Frankie Rickards  | For cutting and sticking the transport pictures from smallest to biggest. |  |  |  |
| N2          | Lillie Williams   | For making a wonderful boat and testing it in the water tray.             |  |  |  |
| RB          | Sophie Spittle    | For writing a fantastic description of a giraffe!                         |  |  |  |
| RP          | Phoebe Terry      | For trying hard with her phonics and handwriting!                         |  |  |  |
| 1W          | Thalia Thompson   | For being an excellent team player in our PE sessions!                    |  |  |  |
| 1R          | Harry Woollaston  | For excellent art work recreating Van Gogh's Sunflowers!                  |  |  |  |
| 2A          | Chloe Lloyd       | For a fantastic description of a jungle!                                  |  |  |  |
| 2S          | Benjamin Robinson | For super ideas for his quest story!                                      |  |  |  |
| 3HW         | Ieuan Jones       | For working hard on a piece of persuasive writing!                        |  |  |  |
| 3M          | Henry Preston     | For fantastic effort with his home reading!                               |  |  |  |
| 4W          | Charlie Mitchell  | For excellent teamwork and work on our river collage!                     |  |  |  |
| 4G          | Joe Dubberley     | For excellent use of formal language in his writing!                      |  |  |  |

## **Digi Dude says:**

There are several anonymous conversational apps and sites where individuals can ask questions or post information to others. These anonymous apps, which include Whisper, Yik Yak, and Ask.FM, are dangerous because they promote bullying. Hiding behind a computer screen, anonymous bullies can easily taunt, tease, and put down others.



A big well done to our kitchen team who this week were visited (unannounced) by Environmental Health and maintained the highest 5 star rating for the condition of the kitchen and their practices!

But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

- Psalm 66:19

## **Feedback about Chartwells Catering Service**

We were disappointed last week at the poor turn out for the Chartwells lunch provider meeting. Having contacted the company in response to parent comments, a nutritionist and other professionals came along to meet with parents. As so few confirmed that they were attending, (2 families), we will expect that parents are satisfied with the service that is being provided. As you know we sent home a questionnaire to parents to gather your feedback, which can be read below: Total responses received: 61 (19.8% return)

| Do you find the hot lunch menu value for money?   | NA                   | Yes          |  | No   | Not sure       |  |  |
|---|----------------------|--------------|--|--|----------------|--|--|
| ,   | 8%                   | 57%          |  | 11%  | 24%            |  |  |
| How do you find the ordering process?   | N/A                  | Easy         |  | Difficult  | Not Sure       |  |  |
| arms was processed  | 7%                   | 43%          |  | 1%   | 49%            |  |  |
| How often does your child have a hot dinner?  | 1 x weekly           | 2 x weekly   |  | 3x weekly  | 4x weekly +    |  |  |
|   | 3%                   | 15%          |  | 5%   | 68%            |  |  |
| How do you find the menu variety?   | N/A                  | Good         |  | Satisfactory   | Unsatisfactory |  |  |
|   | 3%                   | 43%          |  | 42%  | 12%            |  |  |
| Would you order a packed lunch if available?  | Yes                  | No           |  | Not Sure   |                |  |  |
|   | 50%                  | 39%          |  | 11%  |                |  |  |
| If your child doesn't have a  | school dinner why is | s this?      |  |  |                |  |  |
| General comments:  Doesn't like the menu Spicy food Depends on the daily menu Dislikes menu  Comes home feelin Portion size More salad bar cho Only has dinners w parent is working Prefer sandwiches |                      | oice<br>when | Fussy eater Sit with friends Variety portion sizes Don't like potatoes Menu on Thursday Clashes with evening meals |  |                |  |  |
| What would you like to see added to the menu?   |                      |              |  |  |                |  |  |
| Sausages Chicken Nuggets Sandwiches Pasta Burgers Hotdogs Jacket with more fillings Bigger portions More roast dinners Lasagne  |                      |              |  | Lasagne Noodles Soup More vegetarian dishes Chocolate ice cream Indian/Chinese themes Other single comments Casseroles/Sausage & mash/Less pork/Breaded chicken/Chicken pie/Squash/Different pizza/wraps/mild curry/spaghetti bolognese/more fish/more fruit/ more healthy meals all |                |  |  |

Chartwells have taken these comments away and will consider them in relation to their provision where possible. Thank you for all of the really positive comments that were received about our kitchen team too! They were appreciated!