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learning and believing, growing and achieving

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Walking in the footsteps of Jesus with Respect, Perseverance, Care, Trust and Thankfulness.

Friday 27th November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our LEAF Education Gold Award Journey

Following two fantastic days of celebration last Thursday and Friday, we're delighted to share this wonderful video from LEAF Education, recognising our school's achievement in receiving the prestigious LEAF Education Gold Award.

The video officially launches our journey as a LEAF Education Gold Award Demonstration School and celebrates the fantastic work, commitment and enthusiasm of our whole school community.

Mr Piggott and I have the honour of sitting on a panel with HRH Duchess of Edinburgh in London on Monday to discuss the achievement and all things farming!

We are incredibly proud of this achievement (first and only Primary School to reach this level in the UK) so over the coming days and into next week, we'll be sharing more highlights and exciting moments from our Gold Award celebrations. Stay tuned!

- a video created by Mr Piggott sharing our school's journey

A video created by LEAF Education to celebrate the work of the school over time.

A video created by Mr Piggott to showcase the week's celebrations.



Nativity Season Commences Next Week

It's that time of year again when Christmas carols are being rehearsed, hay is strewn across the hall, glitter has somehow found its way into every carpet, and our school is filled with excited children counting down to the festive season!

Next week marks the start of our Nativity performances with Reception, and the remaining weeks of term are packed with Christmas activities. Some of these involve parents, others are organised by our wonderful PTFA, and all are designed to help create special memories for our children and families.
Whilst this is one of the most magical times of the year in school, it is also one of the busiest.

The additional excitement, rehearsals and festive events can leave children feeling tired, so we would be grateful if you could help them get as much rest as possible over the coming weeks.

We are very much looking forward to sharing this special time of year with you and hope you enjoy all the festive events ahead.

Have a lovely weekend!
Miss Parker
Head Teacher

Important School Year Diary Dates

Mon 30th Nov 2pm Tues 1st Dec 2pm	Reception nativity – 2 tickets per showing per child. Please bring tickets with you and enter via the rear hall door. Door will open 15 mins before performnace start time.
Tues 1st Dec 2pm	Toiletries Tues Reception nativity – 2 tickets per showing per child.
Wed 2nd Dec	Panto comes to St Nicholas funded by the PTFA
Thurs 3rd Dec	Loudmouth Education Workshop for KS2
Fri 4th Dec 7pm	Carols Around The Tree in the village centre (all welcome to come and join in)
Mon 7th Dec 3-4.30pm	9.30am KS2 Church Service – 1 x Parent Welcome to attend 10.45 – Reception and KS1 Church Service –1 x Parent Welcome to attend Reception PTFA Christmas Party
Tues 8th Dec 9.30am-10.30am	3P Nativity Shoebox – Parent/Child Christmas craft activity
Tues 8th Dec 2pm-3pm	3N Nativity Shoebox – Parent/Child Christmas craft activity
Wed 9th Dec 3-4.30pm	Invited children sing at Willows Care Home Y1 PTFA Christmas Party
Thurs 10th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day – must be ordered in advance. Christmas Jumper Day – wear your Christmas Jumper to school! Invited children sing at Crompton Court Care Home – transported by Minibus.
Fri 11th Dec 1.30-3pm	Chitter and Chatter Coffee Meet Up in Codsall Council Offices Community Hub – all welcome
Mon 14th Dec 2pm	Y1 Nativity 2 tickets per showing per child.
Mon 14th Dec 3-4.30pm	Y2 PTFA Christmas Party
Tues 15th Dec 9.45am	Nursery Christmas Sing a Long 4 tickets per child
Tues 15th Dec 2pm	Y1 Nativity 2 tickets per showing per child.
Tues 15th Dec 3-4.30pm	Y3 PTFA Christmas Party

Wed 16th Dec 9.30am	Rocksteady Concert for parents of children involved – 2 tickets per child.
Wed 16th Dec 2pm	Y2 Carols 2 tickets per child
Wed 16th Dec 3-4.30pm	Y4 PTFA Christmas Party
Thurs 17th Dec	Children break up for Christmas
Fri 18th Dec	INSET Day school closed to children
Mon 4th Jan	Start of the Spring Term.
Fri 8th Jan 1.30-3pm	Chitter and Chatter Coffee Meet Up in Codsall Council Offices Community Hub – all welcome
Thurs 28th Jan 5.45-7pm	Face to Face Chitter and Chatter at St Nics – meet in school reception.
Tues 9th Feb	Safer Internet Day
Fri 12th Feb 1.30-3pm	Chitter and Chatter Coffee Meet Up in Codsall Council Offices Community Hub – all welcome
Thurs 23rd Feb 5.45-7pm	Face to Face Chitter and Chatter at St Nics – meet in school reception.
Thurs 4th Mar	World Book Day
Fri 19th Mar	Comic Relief – Red Nose Day – Own clothes day for suggested donation on £1 payable on Parent Pay



Stars of The Week

Class/Award	Name	Reason
Nursery	Ray W	For super cutting skills when carefully cutting out the nativity characters and adding them to the stable.
RG	Marlow P	For always challenging herself within classroom activities and working really hard on writing CVC words.
RW	Christopher C	For his excellent segmenting, writing a birthday list for Bertie the Dog. Chris is also the first to look after our classroom and tidy up showing many of our St Nics values.
1M	Poppy M	For trying so hard to show fantastic learning behaviour.
1R	Bonnie C-H	For excellent engineering in DT working out how to make an axle rotate.
2AB	Tuesday E	For a descriptive set of instructions in English.
2S	Sonny O'C	For working so hard on his writing instructions and his lovely sewing.
3N	Archie W	For some fantastic spelling and reading. The hard work is clear to see, well done!
3P	James M	For superbly written instructions for how to wash a woolly mammoth and wonderfully neat presentation too!
4SG	Rose L	For being simply amazing in all areas of her learning and a super friend - an unsung hero! Well done Rose!
4F	Eleanor J	For writing a fantastic letter in English!
Head Teacher's Award	Lucas R and Auguste Y from 1R Joey P from 2S Eliza B, Jasmine N, Albie H and from 4SG Emma D and Delilah B from 3P Arlo H from 3P and Albie H from 4SG Anya B from 2AB Riley K and Ted B from 4SG	For excellent attacking and defending in PE and demonstrating it well to the rest of the class. For reading a story to Nursery "On The Farm" For super football in PE this week! Well done! For beautiful handwriting! For settling into St Nicholas wonderfully well and following the St Nicholas Way! For making some lovely soup from her LEAF veg! For brilliant teamwork!