Friday 3rd May 2024 St Nicholas CE Primary Academy **Newsletter**



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Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a busy week this week with lots of learning and sporting success across the school. I have been really pleased to see the children working hard with some wonderful examples of children's writing being shared with me.

We have a number of parent events coming up and I would like to bring these to parents' attention as we believe it is important that parents attend.

Year 1 National Phonics Screening Test

On Friday 10th May, we will be holding an information session for Year 1 parents relating to the upcoming phonics screening check which will take place in June 2024. The session will take place in the lower hall between 9am and 9:30am and I encourage all Year 1 parents to attend.

Year 6 Bushcraft Meeting

In preparation for the Year 6 residential I will be holding a parent/carer meeting on **Thursday 23rd May at 6:00pm**.

You will be provided with further information about the residential trip, how to prepare and what children will need to bring with them.

I recommend that a parent/carer of each child going on school journey attends this meeting.

Year 5 Parents - Registering for the Kent Test

For children starting secondary school in September 2025.

If you intend applying for a place in a Kent Grammar school, I will be holding a meeting on **Tuesday 4th June at 6:00pm**, for parents to discuss how to apply and register for the test as well as discussing options around The Shepway Test.

Registration for the PESE (11+) testing procedure **opens on 3rd June 2024** and **closes at midnight on 1st July 2024.**

Application for Secondary Transfer opens - Monday 2nd September 2024 The 11+ test date for pupils in Kent primary schools is **Thursday 12th September 2024**

Have a lovely Bank holiday weekend Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale Headteacher

Dates for your diary

<u>May</u> Mon 6th Bank Holiday – School Closed

Wed 8th Year 5 Group 4 windsurfing

Fri 10th 9:00am Y1 Parents Phonics meeting

Year R Balanceability Year 5 Cricket

6:45pm PTA BINGO NIGHT

Mon 13th Y6 SATs all week

Thurs 16th 2:00pm Attendance Tea Party

Fri 17th Year R Balanceability Year 5 Cricket

Mon 20th Year 2 Stone age cooking workshop

Tues 21st French Partner school children from Lille visiting for the day

Wed 22nd National Numeracy Day

Thurs 23rd Y6 Bushcraft Meeting at 6:00pm



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Attendance every day counts

It is essential that your child comes to school <u>on time</u> every day. Learning starts when the class doors open at 8:30am with SODA (Start of Day Activities), some interventions start at this time and this WILL include your child at some point!



Top attenders are:		
Year	Class	%
2	Owl	98
1	Badger	97
1	Otter	97
4	Beech	97
5	Willow	97



Congratulations to all the classes above with their super attendance

Thank you for realising the importance of sending your child to school every day.

Star Awards



Star of the Week awards went to:

Hedgehog: Holly H Otter: Joey S Hare: Esme D Rowan: Poppy L Birch: Gracie D Willow: Callum R Oak: Riley T



This term's worship focus is on our value:

PERSEVERANCE

James 1:12



This week's birthdays:

Harry A, Violet W, Cal C, Luna U, Teddy J, Ivy-Rose Y, Chloie D and Jerusha J – many happy returns to you all!

¹² Happy is the one who endures testing,
because, he will receive the crown of life that
God promised to those who love him.



Congratulations to the girls Shepway Cup football team.

A huge well done to everyone in the girls team they reached the Semi-finals last night by winning their Quarter final game 2-0.

This is a super all round effort by everyone in the squad.

#Thisgirlcan

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ST Nicholas CE Primary Academy PTA & Abacus Nursery Fundraising Night Starts at 6:45pm eyes down for 7pm Adults Only Come along and enjoy a night of bingo for only ±8 (please pay on arrival). Extra games and a raffle can be purchased too. Please bring your own nibbles, drinks and glasses. To reserve a table please call the school office on 01797 361906

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