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St Nicholas CE Primary Academy

Weekly Newsletter

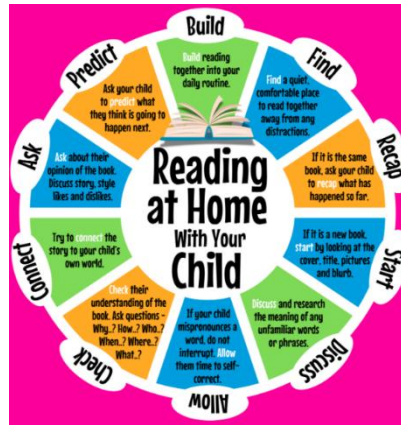
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Dear St Nicholas Community,

Another bustling week has flown by at St Nicholas CE Primary Academy, brimming with activity and progress. We've welcomed several visitors to our school, each focusing on different aspects of our vibrant learning environment. From observing our phonics lessons to visiting our classes and building and even witnessing the archaeological dig taking place on our site for the pavilion development, it's been a week of diverse experiences.

I've had the pleasure of meeting with our dedicated teachers and subject leads to review the learning and development of all our pupils across the school. These discussions have reinforced the critical importance of regular reading at home. At St Nicholas, we advocate for children to read between 10 to 20 minutes, four times a week. The impact of this simple practice on a child's achievements is profound and cannot be overstated. I urge you, as partners in your child's education, to ensure they have these vital opportunities to read at home.



On a more serious note, I must address a recurring issue that poses a significant risk to our school community. Over the past week, we've observed several instances of parents parking on the yellow zig-zags and on the crossing points outside our school. I cannot emphasise enough the danger this presents. With the low sun this week, and children and adults trying to navigate crossing the road with obstructed views, we are courting disaster. I shudder to think what it might take for these parking habits to change. The safety of our children is paramount, and I implore you to park away from the school gate entrances. Let's work together to prevent any potential tragedies.

On a brighter note, club letters have been distributed this week. If you haven't already done so, please return your club letter as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. These extracurricular activities provide wonderful opportunities for our pupils to explore new interests and develop their skills beyond the classroom.

As we look ahead, I'm filled with optimism for the exciting learning journeys our pupils are embarking upon. Your continued support and engagement with your child's education make a world of difference. Together, we can ensure that every child at St Nicholas CE Primary Academy thrives and reaches their full potential.

Have a lovely weekend
Yours sincerely

Christopher Dale
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

January

Tues 21st

- 9:00 Y5 Friendship workshop
- Y4 Knuckleball Bros workshop

Wed 22nd

- O2 Young Voices

Thurs 23rd

- Inclusive sports festival at Three Hills Sports Park
- 9:30 Y1 & 2 Infant Agility all morning

Fri 24th

- **Whole school - 6 Ways to Wellbeing Day.**

Tues 28th

- Confirmation classes with Rev Chris

Thurs 30th

- Yr R & 3 - KIC Theatre all day

Fri 31st

- **KS1 art exhibition**

FEBRUARY

Mon 3rd

- **KIC Theatre PSHE day with Y2 /5**
- 1:30 Candlemas Eucharist
- 3:15 open classes for all parents



“Learning, loving and encouraging through Christ.”



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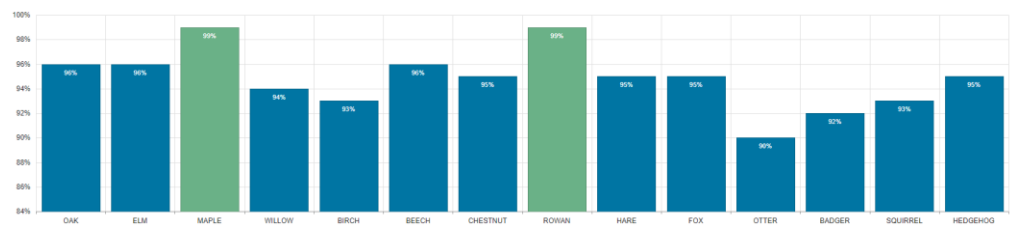


Attendance every day counts.

It is essential that your child comes to school on time 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!

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Top attenders are:		
Year	Class	%
3	Rowan	99
5	Maple	99
4	Beech	96
6	Oak	96
6	Elm	96



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:

Squirrel: Oliver T **Otter:** Darcie W **Hare:** Isabel H
Rowan: Frankie W **Beech:** Poppy L **Maple:** Harvey H
Oak: Dolly D



This week's birthdays:

Freya I, Albie G, Aurora K and Hiram W – many happy returns to you all!



This term's worship focus is on our value:
AMBITION

Romans 15:2

"We should help others do what is right and build them up in the Lord."

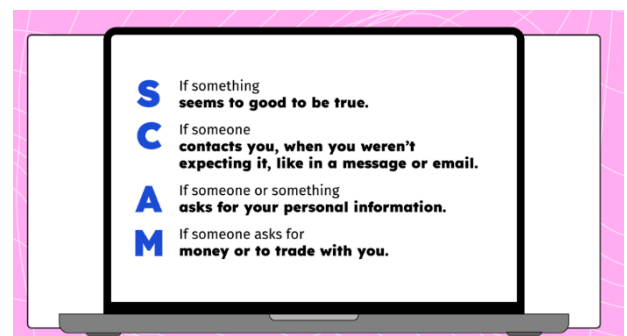
Safer Internet Day 2025 – February 2025

Safer Internet Day 2025 will take place on the 11th of February 2025, with celebrations and learning based around the theme **'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online**

Safer Internet Day is the UK's biggest celebration of online safety. Each year we cover an online issue or theme that speaks about the things young people are seeing and experiencing online. Created in consultation with young people across the UK, this year Safer Internet Day will be focusing on the issue of scams online and for young people, how to protect themselves and others, as well as what support is available to them.

This Safer Internet Day we will assess the real scale of this issue and allow young people to share their experiences and ideas on how to tackle the problem. We'll build on the important work being done to raise awareness of issues such as online financial sextortion and we'll also consider the future of scams, answering questions such as:

- How is changing technology like generative AI going to impact the approach of scammers?
- What role can the government and internet industry take to tackle this threat?
- And what changes would young people like to see to help protect themselves moving forward?



What are Suave words?

A **suave word** is our fun name for a sophisticated or ambitious vocabulary.

We chose this word because we wanted to use a word that none of the children know already and that is short and easy to learn.

Suave, means charming. In that sense it is usually applied to people. However, it also means sophisticated elegant and debonair – a perfect description for many wonderful words in the English language.

Suave words are usually words that children do not regularly meet in their normal daily exposure to reading, listening to stories, watching or listening to programmes or in a conversation at home or in school.

We use **SAUVE** words to give our children a greater exposure to some of these words and enrich their word power.

Please help us each week by promoting our Suave words.

(What are Suave words by Ros Wilson – Top tips for teaching)

SUAVE WORD OF THE WEEK

cherish

DEFINITION Value or feel something is very precious.

EXAMPLE I cherish my grandma's ring.

ACTIVITY Use the word in three different sentences.

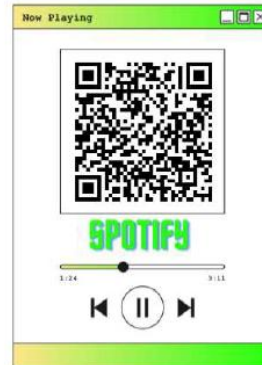


HOME INFORMATION



January's Musician of the Month

HANS ZIMMER



About: Hans Florian Zimmer is a German film score composer and music producer. He has won two Oscars and four Grammys, and has been nominated for three Emmys and a Tony. His works are notable for integrating electronic music sounds with traditional orchestral arrangements. Since the 1980s, Zimmer has composed music for over 150 films.

Genres: Orchestral, Electronic & Soundtrack

Active from: 1977-Present

Origin: Frankfurt, Germany

Books to read...



If you like Hans Zimmer, try...

- John Williams
- Max Steiner
- Rachel Portman



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WEEKLY
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DOORS OPEN 3.30
SESSION ENDS 5.00
EXPLORERS
5.00 – 5.30

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MEET THE TEAM
YRS & YR6



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