



# St Nicholas CE Primary School Bulletin 5th December 2025

## [TKAT Taskmaster](#)

A massive thank you to Sonning CE Primary School for a fantastic North Hub Taskmaster event on 25th November.

St Nicholas are the Champions!!!

An amazing effort from all the children involved.





## What Amazing Results

What a fantastic win for the boys when they played against Alder Grove CE Primary School recently. Goals from Seb (set up brilliantly by Cruz), Jack and Elliot capped off an excellent performance. They really took feedback from their previous match on board, passing more, supporting each other and playing as a true team. Everyone embraced the chance to try new positions and stayed strong right to the final whistle. A hard fought 4-3 victory that showed outstanding resilience and perseverance!



Whilst the boys played their match, so did the girls! It was a fun game which saw a lot of improvement amongst our players. Every player in the squad played their part, which is why we were able to come away with a 4-0 win. Really impressed with the teams overall performance throughout. Goals from Ivy, Hallie, Lottie and Margot. Big shout out to Charlotte for trying goalkeeper for the first time and showing amazing team spirit.



## MyHappyMind

We are coming to the end of the first module - 'Meet Your Brain' in the myHappyMind programme.

### We have learnt:

- The different parts of our brain and how they help us.
- How to use Happy Breathing to help us when we feel sad, stressed or worried.
- What happens in our brain when we learn something new and how we can look after our brain.

### Why not ask your children to tell you what they have learnt?

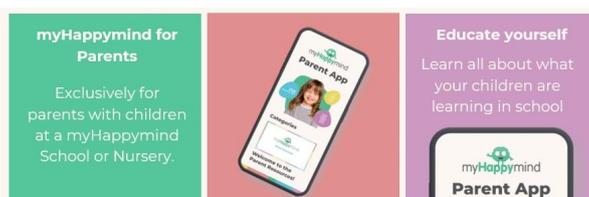
Here are some questions to help you:



Log onto the parent app for more information about the Meet Your Brain module and how you can support your child at home.

There are lots of activities you can do together including Happy Breathing and making a Glitter Jar, listening to the story and song, plus much more.

To access the materials just go to <https://myhappymind.org/parent-resources> and enter your name, email and authentication code. 147377



Can you help?



On the morning of Sunday 14th December we are looking for volunteers to help clear the village hall following the Dinner Dance.

The Hurst Village Society donate 70% of the profits to school, but we need volunteers!

If you think you are able to help between 8am and 12pm, please email [admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk)<sup>1</sup> and we will put you in touch with the clean up team!

THANK YOU!

## St Nicholas Church Fayre and Night Celebrations

Will you be joining the festivities this weekend!

We start with the Christmas Fayre on Saturday morning from 11am where the children will be singing some songs for everyone to enjoy. The PTA will be hosting the Chocolate Tombola so please come along and support!

Sunday evening brings the annual St Nicholas Night Celebrations!

Gates open from 16:45. Hurst Playpark, School Road

Lighting the Christmas tree at approx. 17:30. Waltham St Lawrence Silver Band will be playing carols.

Free chocolate for the children and mulled wine for the adults!

Plus a Pop-up stall by Stanlake Park Wine Estate.

## School Uniform Orders

We have been informed by School Days Direct that their Christmas shutdown period is approaching and their last day of operation will be Monday 22nd December. They will re-open on Friday 2nd January 2026.

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<sup>1</sup><mailto:admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk>

If you require uniform for the start of term in January, they recommend visiting their store before 22nd December or place orders online by Friday 12th December to ensure delivery before Christmas (subject to stock availability).

Please be aware that the last delivery to school for online orders will be Thursday 18th December. Deliveries will resume w/c 5th January 2026.

Any orders placed during their closure will be processed in the New Year, in the order they are received.



## Primary junior parkrun

*Huge well done to all the children who joined us at Dinton Pastures on Sunday 30th November.*

*8 St Nicks Striders completed the course - Eloise R, Taylor R, Charlie P, Max M, Cruz B, Belle B, Teddy T and Kit T.*

***2 personal bests achieved from Max M and Belle B.***

*Please join the **St Nicks Striders Group**: St Nicks Striders<sup>2</sup> on your personal parkrun profile to follow our team successes. We officially have 7 parkrunners covering 65 parkruns in total!*

Follow us on social media for more photos and videos of the event.

If you would like to be part of primary parkrun please follow the steps below:

### **How to Get Ready**

To take part, each child will need to be registered with parkrun. Registration is free and only needs to be done once.

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<sup>2</sup><https://www.parkrun.org.uk/dintonpastures-juniors/groups/50054/>

**Please follow these steps:**

1. Visit the parkrun registration page: <https://www.parkrun.org.uk/register/> or scan the QR Code below
2. Register your child using your email address.
3. You will receive a **parkrun barcode** by email.
4. **Print the barcode** and bring it to the event (or bring along on a mobile device).

If your child meets a milestone or achieves a personal best, please let us know! We will celebrate their efforts in school during our assembly on Fridays!



## Upcoming Events and PTA News

### 🎄 Christmas is Coming... and So Are the Festivities! 🎄

As the Christmas season fast approaches, here are some key dates for your diary both School and PTA events. Please do support where you can. Our children *love* all the festive magic and it's only made possible thanks to our wonderful community... yes, that's **you!** ✨

### 🎄 St Nicholas Christmas Fayre - Saturday 6th December

Our PTA will be hosting the legendary **Chocolate Tombola!** Please come along and support! The children from St Nicholas Primary School will also be singing from 11am - come along to join in the singing or to support the children too!

 **Christmas Bauble Hunt - Wednesday 10th December** – The children will be hunting for baubles expertly hidden by our stealthy PTA Elves. They take their role very seriously.

 **Christmas Lunch and Jumpers – Wednesday 10th December**

For Christmas Lunch, children are allowed to wear a Christmas jumper for the day. The children will enjoy a visit from Father Christmas in the afternoon and those on the good list\* will receive a gift!

 **The Cowshed Tree of Hope Present Collection – Thursday 11th December**

A huge thank you to those who have already taken a tag to buy a gift for a child in need. Please ensure gifts are wrapped, tagged and placed under the school tree by **Thursday 11th December**.

Still want to help? Pop into the office to grab one of the remaining tags.

 **Hurst Dinner Dance - Saturday 13th December** - Tickets still available - £55.00 Dust off your fancy frocks and dancing shoes! A hugely successful and eventful evening last year - we still have the video on our social media pages to prove it! The School also benefits from a large percentage of the profits made on the night. Email [robin.n.west@gmail.com](mailto:robin.n.west@gmail.com)<sup>3</sup> to book your tickets.

 **Nativity Performances - Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th December**

Details have been sent out to EYFS and KS1 regarding ticket purchases.

 **Festive Hot Choc and Bake Sale - Wednesday 17th December** - Bring your pennies after school and enjoy a Festive Hot Chocolate & Cake. We would welcome any sweet festive donations to support this event!

 **Christmas Crafts – Thursday 18th December**

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<sup>3</sup><mailto:robin.n.west@gmail.com>

The children will be making Christmas crafts during the morning. If any parents, carers, grandparents etc are available to help, please let the school office know.

### Church Christmas Service – Friday 19th December

All children will be walking to St Nicholas Church, leaving at 9.30am. Uniforms required, Christmas spirit encouraged! If you'd like to walk with us, stay for the service and walk back, you are warmly invited, please inform the office. The service will last approximately 45 minutes.

### Last Day of Term – Friday 19th December

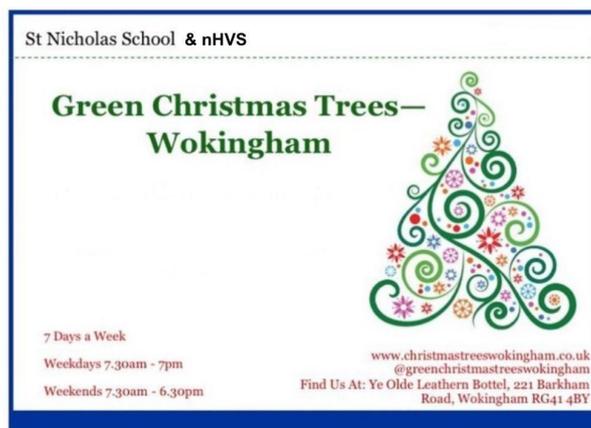
School will be finishing at 1.30pm. There will be no after school club that day.

### And finally...

If you'd like to support our Library fundraising, here's the link, please spread the word:

 <https://gofund.me/380f5ef43>

**\*all children are on the good list :)**



## Read, Dream, Grow: Our New Library Appeal

**If you work for, or know any large companies who might be interested in making a donation towards our library, please do let us know. We are reaching out to local business to support our project and we need your help!**



# Our library needs your help!

Calling all Parents/Carers,

We all want our children to be able to read, and having a dedicated quiet space to discover, develop and enjoy a love of reading is a fundamental part of nurturing that. That's why our next St Nicholas School PTA project is to fundraise £25k to transform one of our existing spaces into a beautiful library and sensory space for all our children across the school to use.

This new space will house over 2000 books, have brand new accessible shelving, comfortable reading spaces for individual or group work, as well as dedicated sensory resources. See the graphic illustration below. We have the plans, the commitment and the space. We just need the funds to get us there.

Please help by donating to our GoFundMe page. Spread the word to family & friends and any company/professional contacts you have who can help. Scan the QR code (above right) to donate. Any donation welcome. Every penny counts in making this happen. All Our PTA efforts & activities will be about reaching this £25k target as soon as possible!

Thank you for your support.



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...to this!

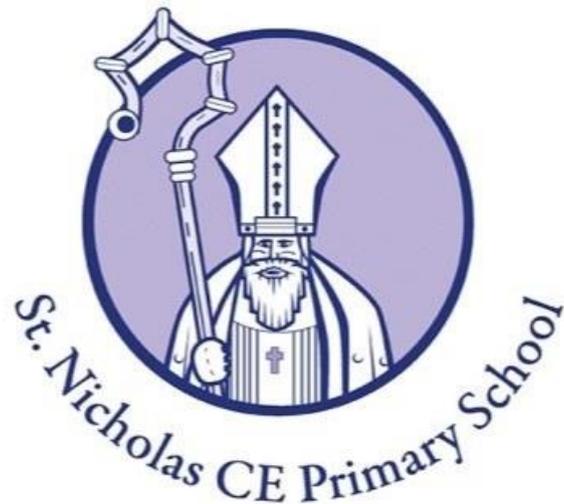


## Follow us on Social Media!

Can't wait for the bulletin and want to see more about what is happening in school and around our village? Then follow our social media page here: Facebook<sup>4</sup>



<sup>4</sup><https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61551221615071>



## Admissions for 2027/2028

### **CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2027-28**

The Keys Academy Trust is consulting on changes to the 2027-28 admission arrangements for St Nicholas Church of England Primary School.

Please see the Consultation document and Draft Admissions Policy 2027/28 on our school website.

The consultation takes place between **1st December 2025 and 12th January 2026** and comments regarding the proposed changes can be emailed to: [admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk)<sup>5</sup>

## Autumn term dates

### **December**

- Sat 6th St Nicholas Christmas Fayre Choir to sing
- Wed 10th Bauble Hunt and Christmas Dinner (Christmas Jumper Day)
- Sat 13th Hurst Village Dinner Dance
- Tue 16th Nativity Performance
- Wed 17th Nativity Performance
- Thu 18th Christmas Craft morning (Christmas Jumper Day)
- Thu 18th Panto visits school

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<sup>5</sup><mailto:admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk>

Fri 19th Church Service

Fri 19th School finishes at 1.30pm

## January

Mon 5th INSET Day

Tue 6th Back to school

Thu 15th CENSUS Day

Thu 22nd Sandstone trip to Ufton Court

## February

Fri 13th INSET Day

Mon 16th to Fri 20th HALF TERM

Thu 26th Bags to School

## Enrichment Activities

### ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

	Before School	During the School Day	After School
<b>Monday</b>	Morning Judo with Mark Fricker <a href="https://judo-school-uk.pembee.app/">https://judo-school-uk.pembee.app/</a> Get Active Breakfast Club	Lunch Recorder Club – Mrs Clacy Get Active Lunchtime Games	Get Active After School Club
<b>Tuesday</b>	First Impressions Musical Theatre Club <a href="https://first-impressions-theatre.classforkids.co/">https://first-impressions-theatre.classforkids.co/</a> Get Active Breakfast Club	Rock Steady Music <a href="http://www.rocksteadymusicsschool.com">www.rocksteadymusicsschool.com</a> Get Active Lunchtime Games	Get Active After School Club
<b>Wednesday</b>	Get Active Breakfast Club	Lunchtime Choir Club – Mrs Clacy The Story Chair – 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month – St Nicholas Church Lunchtime Football Club – Mr Luis Get Active Lunchtime Games	Multi Sports Club – Mr Luis Get Active After School Club
<b>Thursday</b>	Get Active Breakfast Club	Get Active Lunchtime Games	Get Active After School Club
<b>Friday</b>	Get Active Breakfast Club	Keyboard Club with Tom Jones <a href="mailto:admin@wekey.co.uk">admin@wekey.co.uk</a> Get Active Lunchtime Games	Get Active After School Club



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St Nicholas Church



St Nicholas Church, Hurst

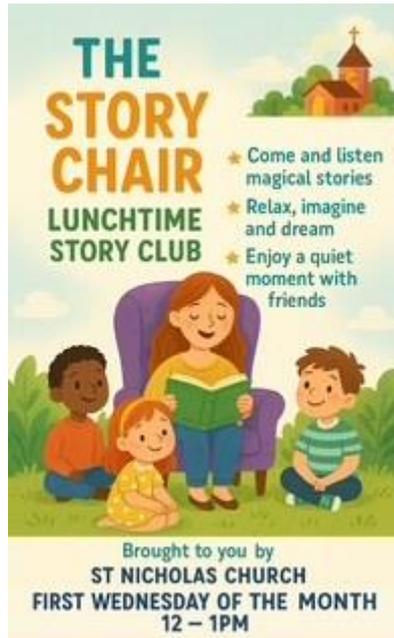
**Christmas Fayre**

**SATURDAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

**FROM 11AM - 3PM**  
**@ Hurst Village Hall**

GIFT STALLS, CARDS, DECORATIONS,  
BAKE SALE, CHILDREN'S CRAFT, RAFFLE,  
BBQ, REFRESHMENTS

COME & MEET  
FATHER CHRISTMAS!



1 - Children are invited to join us for story time with Rosemary and Jenny. The story chair will be the first Wednesday of every month.

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**St Nicholas Church**  
*Hurst Youth Club*



**Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025**  
**Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025**  
**Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025**  
**Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

**Time: 7pm – 8.30pm**  
**£1 entry (cash only)**

**Youth Club open to those in School years**  
**7-9**  
**Held in Hurst Scout Hut**  
**St Nicholas Church**

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# Messy Church

11am in St Nicholas Church on:

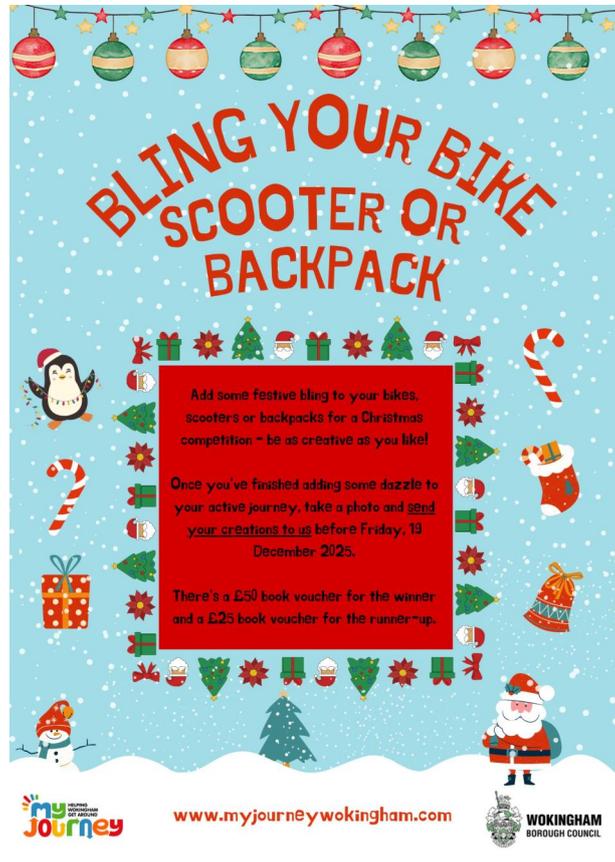
Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> September 2025  
 Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> October 2025  
 Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2025  
 No Messy in December  
 Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> January 2026 (Christingle)  
 Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2026  
 Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026  
 Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
 Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
 No Messy in June - Hurst Show  
 Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> July 2026

*at a Messy Service we celebrate God in our community  
 by listening to stories, making things,  
 singing, praying, sharing refreshments, talking.....*

**Suitable for everyone - adults and children alike!**

For more details please see our website:  
[www.achurchnearyou.com/stnicholashurst](http://www.achurchnearyou.com/stnicholashurst)

## Community News



# BLING YOUR BIKE SCOOTER OR BACKPACK

Add some festive bling to your bikes, scooters or backpacks for a Christmas competition - be as creative as you like!

Once you've finished adding some dazzle to your active journey, take a photo and send your creations to us before Friday, 19 December 2025.

There's a £50 book voucher for the winner and a £25 book voucher for the runner-up.

 [www.myjourneywokingham.com](http://www.myjourneywokingham.com) 

My Journey Wokingham has launched their Bling Your Bike competition.

They are asking pupils across the Borough to decorate their bike, scooter or backpack for Christmas.

Full details can be found on the My Journey website at: [Bling your bike, scooter or backpack this Christmas](https://www.myjourneywokingham.com/events/bling-your-bike-scooter-or-backpack-this-christmas/)<sup>6</sup>

First prize will be a £50 book voucher, with a runner up receiving a £25 book voucher.

Entries should be submitted to [myjourney@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:myjourney@wokingham.gov.uk)<sup>7</sup> no later than 19th December 2025.



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