



ST NICHOLAS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Road, Hurst, Berkshire RG10 0DR

NEWSLETTER 22 – 11th March 2021



The organic baby food co.

St Nicholas School Vision Statement

Delivering a firm foundation for our childrens' future success by celebrating individual and community achievement, built on Christian values.

ONLINE CHURCH SERVICE

Join us on at 11:00am on Sunday for our virtual service.
Visit www.thru-christ.org.uk for the link to their YouTube Channel.



BA SPORTS
www.basportstar.co.uk

Summer Term After School Care Club and Extra-Curricular Sports Clubs

BOOKING NOW OPEN!

After School Care Club from 3.15-6.00pm Monday-Thursday, and 3.15-4.30pm on Friday.

Football Club on Tuesday and Multi-Sports on Friday.
Both are 10-week clubs starting w/c 26 April.

Please book via www.basportstar.co.uk
Information on the school website under the 'Wraparound Care' tab.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

March

Fri 12 th	PTA Meeting, 9:30am (see PTA page)
Sat 13 th	Your School Lottery prize draw
Sun 14 th	Mothering Sunday
Fri 19 th	Comic Relief - Red Nose Day
Fri 19 th	PTA Spring Virtual School Disco: Infants: 5:00 – 5:40pm Juniors: 6:00 – 6:40pm
Sun 28 th	Clocks move forward 1 hour
Mon 29 th	Year 6 Bikeability L3 Group 1
Tues 30 th	Year 6 Bikeability L3 Group 2
Wed 31 st	Last Day of Spring term (staggered end): Infants: 1:20pm Infants & Junior Siblings: 1:25pm Juniors: 1:30pm

April

Thu 1 st	INSET DAY – school closed
Fri 2 nd	Good Friday – school closed
2 nd -16 th	Easter Break – school closed
Mon 19 th	School reopens – Summer term



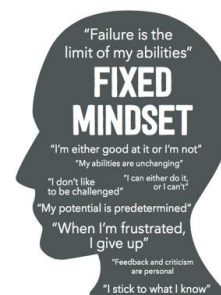
YOUR
SCHOOL
LOTTERY

The first draw is Saturday 13th March Tickets are £1 each

This is our new weekly lottery draw which not only raises money for the school but also offers an opportunity to win a cash prize!

Have you bought your ticket yet?
See PTA page for more details

[Support St Nicholas CE Primary School and play Your School Lottery!](#)



This week's Growth Mindset thought...

**"Be yourself;
everyone else is already taken."**
Oscar Wilde

Our School Values: Respect, Thoughtfulness, Perseverance, Friendship

Dear Parents and Carers

There is a very positive feel in school. We are delighted to have achieved almost 100% attendance each day this week. The children are working well during lessons and are really pleased to be back with their friends, teachers and teaching assistants. We are mindful that after a significant amount of time out of school some children and families will require support to settle back in and we are keen to offer help in any way we can.

Please contact class teachers in the first instance should you have a concern about your child. Mrs Hilling is also available and can access a number of external agencies if needed, in order to ensure every child's needs are met. We will be holding virtual celebration assemblies in school every Friday. Merits and Stars of the Week will be awarded and a round-up of achievements each week will be published in a PowerPoint presentation and posted on Teams for all parents and children to access. We shall also include photographs of pupils working in school.

Thank you to all parents for supporting the return to school in such a positive way. We are all working purposefully to ensure academic success and pastoral guidance for all pupils.

Please complete the [Remote Learning Survey](#) by Friday 19th March if you would like to give us your feedback.

Miss McGrail

Roadmap out of Lockdown – Step 1

From 8th March we have seen the start of the Government's 4-step roadmap out of lockdown for a route back to a more normal life. However, we would like to remind parents that in the interest of keeping the school open and to avoid bubble closures, the current rules for social contact state that people are only allowed to leave home for recreation and exercise outdoors **with members of their own household or support bubble**, if they are eligible for one, **or with one person from outside their household**. For full guidance on the 4-Step roadmap, please visit the Government website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-spring-2021/covid-19-response-spring-2021-summary>



Well done to **Felix** (De La Mare) who continues to work hard on TT Rockstars. This week not only has he achieved Support Act status, but he has had the greatest improvement in correct answers and speed. Congratulations also to **Clementine** (De La Mare) who has improved her accuracy and to **Sammy** (TS Eliot) who has had the greatest increase in coins earned. Finally, **Charlotte** (Longfellow) is now a Rockstar. Great work, Charlotte!

In Numbots, **Sean** (Milne) has completed Copper stage, **Megan** (De La Mare) has improved her accuracy and **Ivy** (Milne) has had the greatest improvement in correct answers. Well done to them!



Girls Softball at Hurst Cricket Club

Hurst Cricket Club are looking to offer Girls only cricket sessions for girls aged 7-11 years from 13th May, as an introduction to the sport and to facilitate physical activity. Weekly sessions will be offered covering the basics of cricket through fun, enjoyment-based drills. Please contact Greg Smith via email at gregsmith1871@yahoo.co.uk



Come and join us!

HURST CRICKET CLUB

GIRLS

SOFTBALL



Thursday Evenings 6-7
13th May onwards
Ages 7-11, All abilities welcome!



Contact Greg Smith via
gregsmith1871@yahoo.co.uk to
register interest!



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PTA NEWS UPDATE

This week we were pleased to see a return to school for the children. There are lots of events coming up; this week we have the first draw of *Your School Lottery* and next week the return of our Virtual Disco.

Your School Lottery – the first draw is on Saturday 13th March.

This is our new weekly lottery draw which not only raises vital money for the school but also gives our parents, staff, carers and the wider community a weekly chance to win a cash prize! Taking part is extremely simple as it takes just 1 minute to sign up. Tickets cost £1 per week and you can pay by direct debit or card payment. The draw takes place each Saturday and there is a **guaranteed school winner** every single week. The prize amount depends on how many tickets are in the draw so the more entries the bigger the prize.

There is also a chance to win the £25,000 jackpot by matching the winning six-digit number. There were 8 lucky jackpot winners in 2020 so it does happen!

For every £1 ticket bought, 40p goes to the school. This adds up to £1,000 per year for just 50 weekly tickets, just think what this money can buy for the children.

If you'd like to take part in our School Lottery, simply follow this link: **Good Luck!**

[Support St Nicholas CE Primary School when you play Your School Lottery - Your School Lottery](#)



YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

WIN A WHEELIE AWESOME PRIZE!

- Please help give our fundraising a boost this term
- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Cash prize winner EVERY week
- You could even win the £25k jackpot!

WIN A £500 BIKE VOUCHER

Buy A Ticket

THE BIKE FACTORY Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 17th Apr 2021. Terms and conditions apply (see website for details).



Virtual Disco – Friday 19th March

Tickets are on sale now for the virtual disco taking place on Friday 19th March, hosted by John Johnny Entertainment. The infants session is 17:00 – 17:40, with the juniors following at 18:00 – 18:40. The cost is £5 per ticket or if you have more than one child at the school, a sibling discount is offered (2 children for £8.50 & 3 children for £11.50).

Please use the PayPal link to transfer the money:

<https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/VirtualDisco> (NB - you do not need a PayPal account to do so)

Use your child's/children's name as the reference to help with the allocation of party bags. Party bags will be available for collection from Wednesday 17th March to Friday 19th March after school.

PTA Meeting – Friday 12th March

This Friday there is a PTA Meeting at 9:30am. The meeting is virtual. If you have any ideas to share or would like to attend please email stnicholashurstpta@outlook.com.

Dates for your Diary

- Friday 12th March – PTA Meeting at 9:30am
- Saturday 13th March – The first *Your School Lottery* draw
- Friday 19th March – Spring Virtual School Disco

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Easy Fundraising App <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stnicholasprimaryhurst/>

Thank you to everyone who has already downloaded this app. It's simple and free to use! It has helped turn everyday shopping into free donations for the school. If you haven't already done downloaded the app and would like some support in doing so, please talk to us or your class reps.

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