

# ST NICHOLAS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Road, Hurst, Berkshire RG10 ODR

NEWSLETTER 28 – 13th May 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.

#### **CHURCH SERVICE**

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May

11amMessy Church, St Nicholas ChurchFor more information on Services in May 2021 please visitwww.achurchnearyou.com/stnicholashurst

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

#### <u>May</u>

Thu 20 <sup>th</sup>	School Census - Summer Term
Thu 20 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 PGL Parents Information Meeting at
	5:45pm (on MS Teams)
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	PTA Virtual Meeting at 5:00pm
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	Final Year 2 Cycling Session
Thu 27 <sup>th</sup>	Final Year 4 Swimming Session
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup>	PTA Sponsored Fun Run
31 <sup>st</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> Jun	HALF TERM

Sean

in Blake Class

**Congratulations to** 

## who achieved a Gold Award

<u>June</u>	
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY – School Closed
Thu 10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Swimming sessions begin (6 weeks)
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Cycling sessions commence
Thu 17 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Group Photo, Tempest Photography 1.30pm
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup>	New Classes Transition morning
26 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup>	Hurst Show and Country Fayre 2021
28 <sup>th</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	Year 6 PGL Residential Trip, Liddington

### **Reminder: School Lunch Orders**

A reminder to parents to check that lunch orders have been placed for next week. Lunches can be pre-ordered up to 11pm the night before and you can order lunches daily, weekly or termly using your Tucasi SCOPay account via

#### www.scopay.com/stnicholas-pri

Download the SCOPAY App via the App Store or Google Play





This week's Growth Mindset thought...

Nothing is impossible. The word itself says 'I'm Possible'. Audrey Hepburn

Our School Values: Respect, Thoughtfulness, Perseverance, Friendship

# GOLD AWARDS



Year 3 children took part in a simulated conference as delegates, and asked to consider whether a fruit square should be endorsed, licenced or banned. Children were then to report their findings to the fictitious British Institute of Eating Control. Children watched a recording of a Zoom call between employees of the manufacturers, the proposed advertisement and video blog by a member of the honest meal



cooperative. Children gathered evidence and then debated whether to endorse, license or ban the fruit square. The children were both passionate and thoughtful and their conclusions were varied and well supported. Well done Year 3.

#### The Salvation Army – Blake Class



On Wednesday, we hosted a visitor from The Salvation Army, Jan Howlin, who talked to us about how she has been involved with the Salvation Army for most of her life. After serving for seven years, she became a Captain. Being part of the Salvation Army is her passion. We had the opportunity to ask the questions we had prepared in advance. Most of her work was supporting the homeless in and around Wokingham, providing free food via a soup kitchen and accommodation.



#### School Census – Thursday 20th May

Our school receives funding based on the number of infant children having a school lunch on Census Day and we encourage as many pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to have a school lunch next Thursday. The menu option on Thursday is Chicken and Red Pepper Pizza or Vegetarian Tortilla Stack, however we are currently in discussion with Caterlink regarding a potential menu change for Census Day.

The school office will send an email communication next week so that lunch orders can be placed in advance via Tucasi SCOpay.



It is wonderful to see TS Eliot earning certificates this week. Well done to **Maddie** who has become a Support Act and had the greatest increase in speed. **Jeremiah** also received the certificate for improved accuracy. **Lauren** (De La Mare) continues to work hard, earning certificates for the greatest increase in correct answers and in coins earned. Congratulations also to **Mena** and **Lacey** (both De La Mare) who have become Wannabes.

In Numbots, **Henry** (Milne) has completed Brass Stage and **Sean** (Milne) achieved certificates for correct answers and coins earned. Well done also to **William** (De La Mare) for the greatest improvement in accuracy this week.



## PTA NEWS UPDATE

With just over two weeks to go until the big day I hope you were influenced by the really subtle subliminal suggestions in last week's newsletter to **RAISE LOTS OF SPONSORSHIP** for the school fun run on Friday 28th May. It isn't the only major sporting event coming up, I hear that an important football match is due to take place at Wembley on Saturday. As PTA chair it is my duty to stay absolutely neutral on this subject.

Not straying too far from the sporting theme I'm pleased to be able to ask you to put Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September in your diary for the Hurst Village BBQ and (hopefully) cricket match. If all the details fall into place I will be looking to recruit players for a PTA team to take on the Hurst Village Society.

#### COME ON LEICESTER!!!

#### Vacant Position - PTA Vice Chair

Job description:

- Pulling the strings of power from the shadows.
- Be a trustee of the charity St Nicholas CE Primary School PTA.
- Raise massive amounts of fun run **SPONSORSHIP**.
- Occasionally shows face at monthly PTA social events.
- Beloved by the entire village.

#### **School Fun Run**

I'm sure you have already exhausted stocks of printer ink producing reams of **SPONSORSHIP** forms. If your printers have gone on strike in complaint at the excessive workload then please let us know. Paper forms are also available from the school office if required.

#### **PTA Meeting**

The next PTA meeting has been moved to 5:00pm on Friday 21st May. The meeting is virtual. If you have any ideas to share or would like to attend, please email <u>stnicholashurstpta@outlook.com</u>. Virtual tea and cake will be served.

#### **PTA Social**

In addition to raising much needed funds for the school we also hope to provide the opportunity for parents to meet in a social setting other than the school gates. To this end we propose to organise a monthly pub meet at various hostelries around the village. We will arrange the first date for when we can meet in larger groups outside.

#### Dates for your diary:

- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May PTA meeting 5:00pm (virtual)
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May Sponsored Run
- Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June Hurst Show and Country Fayre 2021
- Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September Village BBQ and cricket match

#### **Your School Lottery**

Congratulations to Kathryn Jaworski who was a cash prize winner this week, generously donating her winnings to the school. Please buy some tickets if you haven't already done so.

#### Win 1 of 5 £100 B&Q Gift Cards

#### It's DIY season, and Your School Lottery is giving away not one but FIVE £100 B&Q Gift Cards.

Support your school lottery before 5th June for your chance to win. Tickets cost just £1 a week, and all profits go towards school funds.

Good luck! Guaranteed winner from our community each week.

If you'd like to take part in our School Lottery, simply follow this link: Support St Nicholas CE Primary School when you play Your School Lottery - Your School Lottery



- Support our lottery from just £1 a week
- Guaranteed cash prize every week
- Win up to £25,000

#### To support your school, go to: vourschoollottery.co.uk and search for: St Nicholas CE Primary School

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 5th June 2021. Terms and conditions apply (see website for details).

#### Easy ways to support Fundraising for St Nicholas School

Three very easy ways to help raise money for the school are the School Lottery, Amazon Smile and the EasyFundraising app. Please have a look and sign up if you can.



You shop. Amazon gives.

Aren't we all online shopping these days? As well as being very convenient it can now earn funds for your favourite village school! Support us by selecting us as your chosen charity, St Nicholas Hurst PTA. https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1002238-0 It's quick and easy to do! Once signed up, shop on Amazon as normal and Amazon will donate 0.5% of purchases towards the PTA.



#### 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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