

# ST NICHOLAS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Road, Hurst, Berkshire RG10 ODR

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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.

# **New School Laptops**

We have now purchased 30 new laptops to complement learning in ICT and across the curriculum. **Thank you** to the PTA and Hurst Show & Country Fayre Committee for the valuable funds.





#### **CHURCH SERVICE**

# Sunday 13th June

11:00am Holy Communion

For more information on Church Services please visit

www.thru-christ.org.uk

#### **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

<u>June</u> Thu 10<sup>th</sup> Year 4 Tennis sessions begin

Fri 11<sup>th</sup> All Class/Year Group Photos, including Year 6

Leavers Individual/Group (morning) (No PE)

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Cycling sessions begin

Thu 17<sup>th</sup> Year 6 PSHE Meeting, 5:30pm MS Teams
Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Messy Church, St Nicholas Church 11:00am
Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> New Classes Transition Morning for current

pupils EYFS-Y5 (Y6 secondary school visits

moved to 7<sup>th</sup> July)

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Year 6 Junior First Aid course

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 Residential Trip, PGL Liddington

<u>July</u>

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Final Street Dance Club

Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Year 6 visits to Wokingham schools

(regulations permitting)

Tue 6<sup>th</sup> Final BA Sports Football Club

Thu 8<sup>th</sup> PTA Meeting, 5:00pm (MS Teams)

Tue 13<sup>th</sup> Bag2School Collection

Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Final BA Sports Multi-Sports Club

Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Last Day of Academic Year, from 1:20pm

# **GOLD AWARDS**



Congratulations to

**Olivia** in Blake Class

who achieved a Gold Award





This week's Growth Mindset thought...

"One of our greatest freedoms is how we react to things."

Charlie Mackesy

#### **Fun Run**

We all enjoyed a fabulous Fun Run just before half term. The infants and juniors participated in separate runs and they all managed several laps of the school field. The sun shone and lots of fun was had by all – including the staff. Thank you to everyone who raised money for the PTA funds. Some children raised over £100! Please can we have all monies paid to school or online as soon as possible. Thank you Mrs Rudd for setting out the course and to all pupils and staff who made the day so special.













# Class and Year Group Photographs, Friday 11th June



A reminder that Tempest Photography will be visiting school tomorrow morning to take Class/Year group photos. Please ensure all children wear their school uniform as there will be no PE lesson for any class on this day.

This session will include the special Year 6 Leavers group and individual photo (which was originally scheduled on 17th June) so please can Year 6 pupils bring in their Leavers hoody on Friday.



There is some more fantastic news this week as **Bruno** (De La Mare) has become a Rock Hero! Bruno is the youngest St Nicholas boy to reach this

status and is the only child so far to have reached the top levels of both Numbots and TT Rockstars. He has persevered over many months to become a Rock Hero and it has paid off. Bruno also earns certificates this week for the greatest improvement in correct answers and the number of coins earned. Congratulations, Bruno!



It is also great to award so many other status certificates:

**Arabella** (TS Eliot) – Headliner; **Ethan** (De La Mare) – Headliner; **Freddie** (Longfellow) – Headliner; **Martha M** (TS Eliot) – Breakthrough Artist; **Nathan** (TS Eliot) – Wannabe; **Ollie** (Longfellow) – Headliner; **William R** (Longfellow) – Headliner and **William SS** (De La Mare) – Rockstar. Well done to all of you for your hard work.

William SS had the greatest improvement in speed this week and Olivia (Blake) was the most accurate player.

In Numbots, **Bruno** gained further certificates for the greatest increase in correct answers and in coins. Well done also to **Ivy** (Milne) who completed Steel level and to **Posy-Belle** (Donaldson) who improved her accuracy.



## PE Days – 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Summer Term

A reminder of the revised PE Schedule for the rest of this term. Please ensure children wear PE kit of the following days:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Donaldson	De La Mare	TS Eliot	Milne	Milne
Blake (Cycling)	Year 3 (Tennis)	Longfellow	Donaldson	Blake
			De La Mare	/no DE on
			Year 4 (Tennis)	(no PE on Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> June)

# PTA NEWS UPDATE

Did you all enjoy half term? Lots of fun days out, unexpectedly sunny bank holidays and utter panic when you realised that Monday was an inset day and you didn't have any childcare in place?

After the excitement of the Fun Run, our sporting thoughts turn to the epic cricketing showdown between Hurst Village Society and the PTA team. This high class clash will take place on Saturday 18th September at Hurst Cricket Club, beginning at 11:00am. Currently we have three team members, so please do get in touch if you have played cricket at school or club level. You don't have to be Ben Stokes or Sarah Taylor, knowing which end to hold a bat will be a good start!

#### **Vacant Position - PTA Vice Chair**

Job description:

- Bat where you want for the PTA cricket team.
- Be a trustee of the charity St Nicholas CE Primary School PTA.
- Help raise money to benefit the school.
- Immunity from the LBW law.
- Lifetime supply of sandpaper.



#### School Fun Run

Thank you to everyone who collected sponsorship money, it really does make a difference to the school. We will have raised a sum in the region of £1500 once Gift Aid and match funding is taken into account. Any remaining **sponsor money** can still be handed in to the office if cash, or donated online using PayPal: <a href="https://www.paypal.com/gb/fundraiser/charity/3242825">https://www.paypal.com/gb/fundraiser/charity/3242825</a>

If you donate (or have donated) through PayPal, please check your donation receipt email which will contain details of how to add gift aid. It really does help!

Please do your best to gift aid as much as possible, it really does make a difference!

## Bag2School Clothing & Textile Collection – Tuesday 13th July

This is a scheme to help raise funds for the school and it's a great way of clearing out your unwanted clothes and other items! The school receives money for the total weight of the goods received.



They will not be issuing us with plastic sacks as they have in the past, so please use your own bin bags which they will then recycle. If you have any unwanted good quality adult/children clothing, shoes, handbags, hats, belts, scarves, jewellery, soft toys, curtains, towels or bed linen, please pop them in a bin bag (or fill up as many smaller plastic bags as you can!) and drop them off to the shelter area by the school hall on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July by 9.00am. Alternatively you can drop off bags to the school office on the afternoon of Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July by 3.30pm.

They do not accept duvets, blankets, pillows, cushions, rugs/mats, soiled/ripped clothing, school uniform with and without logos, or corporate clothing. For a full list of what is/is not accepted, please see <a href="https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect">https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect</a>



#### Hurst Village Society BBQ and Games Day – Saturday 18th September

The Hurst Village Society, in conjunction with the PTA, are organising a Village BBQ and a friendly but competitive **T20** cricket match as well as other fun and games for all the family. We have the beginnings of a team, but still need a lot more players. The team isn't restricted to parents, any family members or people with a connection to the school can play. Pass your details on through class PTA reps or contact us on stnicholashurstpta@outlook.com



#### **Your School Lottery**

Congratulations to the amazing Claire Wheeler who was a cash prize winner this week. Please buy some tickets if you haven't already done so.

## WIN Fruit & Veg Box Home Delivery... For a Year! It's The PEARfect Prize!

Lettuce tell you about the next special prize draw! Whether you're a fresh food fanatic or a fast-food fiend, you'll love this special prize. On 17th July, one lucky winner will receive 12 monthly fruit and veg boxes, delivered straight to their door. That's *shallot* of fruit and veg! Get your tickets now it's easy *peasy*!



Support your school lottery 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

#### **PTA Meeting**

This finally took place on Thursday 27th May. We discussed arrangements for the fun run, village family BBQ and the looming Hurst Village Show.

## **Dates for your Diary:**

- Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June Hurst Show and Country Fayre 2021
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 5:00pm PTA Meeting
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July Bag2School Collection
- Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September Village BBQ and Cricket match

## 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.



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. <a href="https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1002238-0">https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1002238-0</a> 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.