



# ST NICHOLAS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Road, Hurst, Berkshire RG10 0DR

**NEWSLETTER 32 – 17<sup>th</sup> June 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 20<sup>th</sup> June**

11:00am Messy Church, St Nicholas Church

For more information on Church Services please visit

[www.thru-christ.org.uk](http://www.thru-christ.org.uk)

## Volunteers Required

Are you available between 8.45am and 9.30am on a regular basis?

Maybe you are thinking of working with children in the future.

If so, would you like to help individual children progress in their phonics, maths, reading or spelling?

If you wish to get involved, please email [admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk)

Resources and basic training would be provided.



## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### June

- Thu 17<sup>th</sup> Year 6 PSHE Meeting, 5:30pm MS Teams
- Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> New Classes Transition Morning for current pupils EYFS – Year 5
- Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> KS2 House Rounders Tournament (PM)
- 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

### July

- 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> KS1 Sports Day, 10am (no spectators)
- Thu 8<sup>th</sup> PTA Meeting, 5:00pm (MS Teams)
- Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Final BA Sports Multi-Sports Club
- Tue 13<sup>th</sup> Bag2School Collection, 9:00am
- Thu 15<sup>th</sup> KS2 Sports Day, 10am (no spectators)
- Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Last Day of Academic Year, from 1:20pm

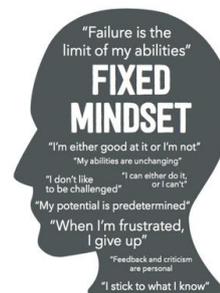
## GOLD AWARDS



Congratulations to

**Sophia, Poppy, Margot and Levi**  
in Donaldson Class

who all achieved a Gold Award



*This week's Growth Mindset thought...*

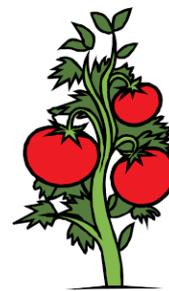
**"When there is effort, attitude and desire, nothing is impossible."**

*Lionel Messi*

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**From Farm to Fork!**

The raised beds are at last bearing the fruits (or veg!) of our hard labour! Here are some photos of the TS Eliot children harvesting chard and lettuce and a photo of Lola who made her own salad from the veggies they have grown, to accompany the family meal. Well done Lola! We are so pleased the children have enjoyed growing healthy veggies. Thank you to Mrs Jarvis who has been working with the class on Tuesday afternoons.



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Well done to **Lacey** (De La Mare) who has become a Headliner and to **Theo** (De La Mare) who has achieved Rockstar status. **Lacey** also had the greatest improved speed this week with **Lauren** (De La Mare) the most correct answers. **Evie** (TS Eliot) was the most improved player for accuracy with **Sammy** (TS Eliot) being the player who collected the most coins. Congratulations to all!

Well done to **Arthur** (Milne) who earned a clean sweep of the Numbots certificates this week - greatest increase in correct answers, coins earned and accuracy. Super work, Arthur!



### End of Academic Year Reports

The end of year reports will be issued by 9<sup>th</sup> July and parents will have the opportunity to book an appointment with their child's class teacher/s from week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> July to discuss any aspects of their academic progress, should they wish to.



### Half Price Lessons with Berkshire Maestros

Berkshire Maestros recently received a grant from the Cultural Recovery Fund to offer 500 new pupils half price lessons for a term and there are still plenty of these to be taken advantage of. Those who sign up for lesson by 30<sup>th</sup> June will receive a 50% discount on their first 11 lessons, even if they happen next term. Please read the information in the attached flyer.

### Football Coaching Course at The Wren School

Football Coaching UK are running an 8-week coaching course for boys and girls aged 4-14 years on Friday evenings starting Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June at The Wren School. If this is of interest, full details on the [Football Coaching Course](#) can be found on our website (News & Events). To book, contact Stuart Dennehy on 07929 364257 or email [admin@footballcoachinguk.org](mailto:admin@footballcoachinguk.org)



### Netball Junior Summer Camps (Years 5 and 6)

Wokingham Netball Club are running a Junior netball camp from 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> August for pupils in current school Years 5, 6 and 7 at Wellington College, Crowthorne. If this is of interest to your child, full details on the [Netball Junior Summer Camp and Registration Form](#) can be found on our website (News & Events). to complete and return to [summercamp@wokinghamnetball.org.uk](mailto:summercamp@wokinghamnetball.org.uk)

### HELP THE PTA RAISE MONEY and SUPPORT THE HURST SHOW & COUNTRY FAYRE 2021

Thank you to all those who have donated gifts for the Grand Prize Draw Hampers so far.

The last official day for your donations is tomorrow (Friday 18<sup>th</sup>); if the boxes are not at the gates due to the wet weather, please hand them to a teacher or pop them in the box in Reception. Any late donations are still welcome as we can always make up another prize! THANK YOU! Tickets are available online at: <https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/grandprizedrawatthehurstshowcountryfayre>



## HURST SHOW & COUNTRY FAYRE 2021 IS BACK! SATURDAY 26th & SUNDAY 27th JUNE – 11am to 5pm

The Hurst Show committee is pleased to confirm that the Show will go ahead next weekend (26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> June) as planned!

We are very excited to be back to celebrate the wonderful things about Hurst, and this year will be using the amazing spaces we have in the village to bring you a fun and exciting show, with many of the usual star attractions making an appearance.

Entrance to the show is free, so donations towards our local good causes including St Nicholas Primary School, Alexander Devine Children's Hospice and many other Hurst groups would be very much appreciated. These can be made via our [Just Giving link](#) or to the donation boxes over the weekend.

A quick guide to the show follows – please check the Show [website](#) or social media channels for more info. Programmes with essential event info and maps will be also available for purchase for £2 at Martineau Green and near the village halls.

There will be road closures in place over the weekend to keep everyone safe as they move around the village – further details and [map](#) are on our website.

After the difficult 18 months we have all had, we very much look forward to enjoying a wonderful, community weekend whilst raising much needed funds for our local good causes.

See you there for a wonderful family day out!

### **Volunteers Needed!**

As you can imagine, there's lots of work involved in putting this all on so we would love some help with setting up and taking down the show.

Thanks to all those who have offered help so far – we'd love a few more volunteers for the following days. Bar tokens are available by way of thanks! If you are able to help and need any more info, please contact [info@hurstshow.uk](mailto:info@hurstshow.uk)

- **Wed 23rd June - meet at village hall 18:30.**
- **Thurs 24th June - meet at village hall 18:30.**
- **Friday 25th June - meet at village hall ALL DAY from 10:00.**
- **Sunday 27th June - directly after the show finishes - 17:00, head to committee tent / village hall.**
- **Mon 28th June - meet at village hall 18:30.**

**Please note:** We are asking volunteers to help protect themselves and others from COVID-19, so it would be grateful if you could kindly do a Lateral Flow Test, producing a negative result, before attending any sessions.



### **School Field**

- Craft stalls
- JAC Animal Petting & Pottery Painting

### **Martineau Green**

- Dog show
- Displays
- Hobby Horses

## Show Weekend - 26th & 27th June 11am to 5pm

### **Community Orchard & Castle Hill**

Family favourites including

- Guess the Crushed Car
- Archery
- Skittles
- Coconut Shy
- Book Stall

### **Around the Village**

- Treasure Hunt
- Art Trail
- Classic Vehicle Show

### **Village Hall**

- "Food Court" & Music
- Licensed Bar & BBQ

**[www.hurstshow.uk](http://www.hurstshow.uk)**



*Government guidelines still permitting. Covid-safe procedures will be closely followed.*

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## PTA NEWS UPDATE

Well this is unexpected, warm weather and a yellow shiny thing in the sky. At the time of writing this update, I'm happily sitting in the tropical paradise that is my garden. With a children's party to look forward to this weekend I hope it stays this way! On a not so positive but fairly predictable note, the end of restrictions on social contact has been pushed back a few weeks. After discussions with the organisers of the Hurst Village Show, and Ms McGrail, I have reluctantly agreed that we cannot have a PTA tent at the show this year.

### Vacant Position - PTA Vice Chair

Job description:

- Represent PTA at Geneva summit with Presidents Biden and Putin.
- Be a trustee of the charity St Nicholas CE Primary School PTA.
- Help raise money to benefit the school.
- Negotiate free trade deals with schools in Twyford, Sonning and Charvil.
- Sell tickets for the **Grand Prize Draw** to heads of state from across the world.



### Hurst Village Show and Grand Prize Draw

Although we will not have a tent at the show this year, we are still holding the **Grand Prize Draw**. No doubt you have seen the collection boxes at the school gates. Please, please can you help to push ticket sales for this. It has been difficult to raise funds this year and the Hurst Village Show is by far our largest source of income in order to help the school. Tickets may be bought online:

<https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/grandprizedrawatthehurstshowcountryfayre>

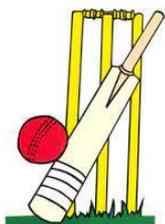
We also hope to be selling tickets at the village show.

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

Please put this exciting event in your diary. Tickets for food, provided by Flame BBQ of Hurst, will be on sale soon.

We now have a good squad of prospective players and will begin practising over the summer. Practices will be followed by sports-science based rehydration at The Castle Inn.

Many thanks are due to Rob Dewey who has arranged the following shirt sponsors, raising a very tidy sum in the process:

**Hewetts of Marlow** [www.hewettsofmarlow.co.uk](http://www.hewettsofmarlow.co.uk), amazing clothing for gents, are the primary sponsor (thanks Ben!) Official team hostelry, **The Castle Inn**, [www.castlehurst.co.uk](http://www.castlehurst.co.uk) has sponsored the back of the shirt (thanks Matt!) Sleeves are sponsored by **Hurst Studios Photography** [www.hurststudios.co.uk](http://www.hurststudios.co.uk) (thanks Alexis!) and **Ed's Garden Services** 07737 717910 (thanks Guy!)

### 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**

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## Bag2School Clothing & Textile Collection – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> 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 plastic sacks as they have in the past, so please use your own bin bags which they will recycle. If you have 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 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**. You can also 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 <https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect>



### Your School Lottery

Congratulations to Catherine Westerling 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 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](#)

## 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.



<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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