



ST NICHOLAS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Road, Hurst, Berkshire RG10 0DR

NEWSLETTER 02 – 23rd September 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

St Nicholas Church, Hurst

Sunday 26th September 11am Holy Communion

www.thru-christ.org.uk

SCHOOL CALENDAR

September

Thu 23rd PTA AGM, 7pm at The Castle Pub Garden
 Mon 27th Tempest Individual & Sibling Photographs
 Tue 28th Years 1 & 2 Trip - Marwell Zoo
 Thu 30th Year 4 swimming commences (6 week block)

October

Wed 6th Zoolab Visit – Milne Class (on school site)
 Thu 7th School Census – Autumn Term and Caterlink Menu Change
 Fri 8th Harvest Festival Service, 10am St Nicholas Church
 20th / 21st Year 6 Bikeability Level 1 & 2 (half the class on each day) (to be confirmed)
 Thu 21st Open Morning (EYFS starters Sept 22)
 Fri 22nd **INSET DAY** – School Closed
 25-29th **HALF TERM** – School Closed

November

Mon 1st **INSET DAY** – School Closed
 Wed 3rd Bag2School Collection, 9:00am
 Tue 16th TS Eliot Trip – Reading Museum
 Thu 18th Open Morning (EYFS starters Sept 22)

December

Wed 1st Open Morning (EYFS starters Sept 22)
 Thu 2nd Flu Vaccination (nasal spray) – all pupils



Census Day Menu

Thursday 7th October 2021

Beef Burger in a Bun

or

Quorn Burger in a Bun

**With Chips, Sweet Corn
and Baked Beans**

**Vanilla Shortbread, Fresh Fruit
or Yoghurt**



BA Sports Out of School Club



Breakfast Club 07:45-08:45 £6.50

Short Stay After School 15:15-16:30 £7.50

Long Stay After School 15:15-18:00 £12.50

Multi-sports will run on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. **Football club** on Tuesdays.

There will be a range of other activities on offer to children who would like to stay at after school but do not wish to participate in multi-sports or football, so all are truly welcome!

Bookings via www.basportstar.co.uk



This week's Growth Mindset thought...

"You're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think."

AA Milne/Christopher Robin

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Tempest School Photographs, Monday 27th September

A reminder that Tempest will be taking individual portrait and sibling photographs in the School Hall after morning registration. Pre School children are also welcome to have their photos taken with their siblings from 8.35am. Please bring them straight to the Hall before registration. All pupils should wear full school uniform. Longfellow pupils will need to bring their PE kit for a Lacrosse session in the afternoon. We hope to book another short session with Tempest later on in the term for those pupils who will be absent on Monday.

Meet the Teacher Sessions – MS Teams

This is an opportunity to meet your child/ren's class teacher and an invitation will be sent to your child's Team account. Miss Wheeler has already conducted transition meetings with EYFS parents.

Date	Class	Time	Teacher
Monday 27 th September	TS Eliot	6:00pm	Mrs Clayton
Tuesday 28 th September	Year 1	5:00pm	Miss Fletcher
Wednesday 29 th September	Longfellow	4:00pm	Mrs Clacy & Mrs Thomas
Thursday 30 th September	Year 2	6:00pm	Mrs Middleton
Monday 4 th October	Blake	4:30pm	Mr Butler-Willis

School Census Day, Thursday 7th October

There will be a revised menu on Census Day (see front page) to encourage as many children as possible to select a school lunch on this day, in particular our infant children. Census days are important in terms of the school's funding for the academic year. Please ensure orders are made in Tucasi SCOPay by midnight on Wednesday 6th October.

School Reading books

If you have any school reading books at home, we would be grateful if they can be returned as soon as possible. Thank you.

School Flu Vaccinations, Thursday 2nd December

The School immunisations team has now rescheduled the date to administer the flu vaccine (via nasal spray) to all pupils in Reception – Year 6. The new date is Thursday 2nd December. More information and a consent form will be sent to parents in due course.

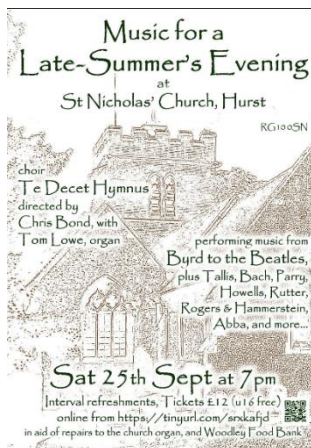


Well done to **Clementine** (TS Eliot) who has become a Garage Rocker and to **Leo** (TS Eliot) who is now a Support Artist. **Leo** also had the biggest improvement in speed last week, **Bryony** (Longfellow) was the most accurate player and **Sammy** (Longfellow) had the greatest improvement in correct answers. This week **Felix** (TS Eliot) was most improved player with regard to correct answers, Clementine had the greatest improvement in speed and **Otto** (TS Eliot) was the most accurate player.

In Numbots, well done to the following children who have recently completed a stage:

Ada (Milne) – Rust; **Archie J** (Milne) – Rust; **Ava** (Milne) – Rust; **Emily** (Milne) – Rust; **Harry** (Milne) – Rust; **Henry W** (Donaldson) – Tin; **Jack** (Donaldson) – Tin; **Jake** (Milne) – Rust; **Lucy H** (Milne) – Rust; **Lucy L** (Milne) – Rust; **Megan** (Milne) – Rust; **Scarlett-Louise** (Milne) – Rust and **Sienna S** (Donaldson) – Brass. Congratulations also to **Theo** (TS Eliot) who last week had the greatest increase in correct answers and coins, and to **Frankie** (TS Eliot) who improved her accuracy the most. This week **Ada** had the biggest improvement in correct answers whilst **Scarlett-Louise** had the greatest increase in coins. **Amelie A** (Milne) had the highest improvement in accuracy. Well done all!





Music for a Summers Evening, Saturday 25th September, 7pm at St Nicholas Church
There will be music concert to raise money for the St Nicholas Church Organ restoration project and Woodley Food Bank.

There will be drinks and a raffle at the interval

Tickets cost £12 each, available on the door or pre-booked via www.eventbrite.co.uk/1661421325.

Children under 16 years are free.

Leap into action and fun with Hurst Morris at the Village Hall: 23 and 30 September

Hurst Morris People (HuMP) are inviting everyone to have a go at their traditional English hobby at their taster sessions. On offer are:

- Lots of fun with easy to learn dances, taught by friendly teachers
- Superb live music and exercise that beats the gym!

FREE sessions will be on Thursdays 23rd and 30th September from 8-10pm, Hurst Village Hall, School Road, RG10 0DR.

HuMP's squire (leader), Karen Ricketts, pictured above, said: "Everyone is welcome for the fun evenings trying out dancing, you don't need morris experience. We're men and women of all ages and backgrounds.

"At our taster evenings we have a tea, coffee and home made cake break and lots of chat. Musicians are also welcome to the tasters to play."

Helen thought she had two left feet until she tried HuMP's taster sessions. She said: "Everyone was so welcoming, friendly and helpful. Before I knew it I was dancing to my first tune. It didn't seem to matter if I wasn't always facing the right way, help was on hand. I realised it was great fun and that Hurst Morris were a really nice group of people."

- Please let us know if you would like to come. Call Judy and Brian on 0118 969 0474 or email contact@hump.org.uk. We'd love to have a chat.
- There's lots of info at www.hump.org.uk and www.facebook.com/hurstmorris
- Wear loose fitting clothing, and trainers or other comfy shoes. Bring a bottle of water to drink.
- We're asking everyone coming if they can take a lateral flow covid test, with a negative result, before they come. The evenings are subject to any changes in the covid rules.



The Circus comes to Twyford, Stanlake Meadow
29 September – 3 October

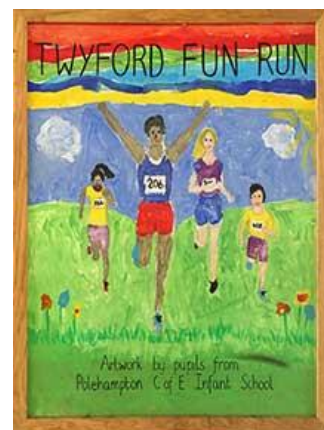
www.circusginnett.com

£7 on weekdays / £8 at weekends

1 Free with every 2 Full paying tickets (offer only valid when purchasing tickets at the circus ticket office. Not valid with Ticketsource.

Twyford Together Charity 5K and Fun Run, Sunday 10th October

Only a month to go until the *Twyford Together Charity 5K and Fun Run* on Sunday 10th October at The Piggott School. There are races for all ages and great prizes (to be announced shortly!). And if you can enlist enough neighbours, you might topple 2019's 'Fastest Street'. Visit the Twyford Together website at www.twyfordtogether.org to find out more.



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PTA NEWS UPDATE

Saturday finally saw the climax of the cricket season with the inaugural match for the Hurst Ashes, between the PTA and the Hurst Village Society. The sun shone, the crowds came and a really good cricket match took place. The PTA batted first and scored 141 with some brutal hitting at the top of the order. The HVS team started slowly but finished strongly, hitting the winning runs off the penultimate ball in what was a nail-biting finish. Despite the narrow loss the PTA team was proud to have put up a really good performance in what was a really good advertisement for the game. Over 200 people came along enjoying the delicious catering from Flame BBQ, the bouncy castle, the archery, and quite a few enjoyed the bar. The profits will be split between HVS and the PTA, and we have already agreed to repeat this great day next year. In other news, Kent beat Somerset at Edgbaston to win the T20 Blast.

Your PTA needs you!

Just for once I'm going to be serious in this part! We have the main roles filled, but need some more people to be involved in the planning of events.

- Understudy to the treasurer.
- Match funding and donations coordinator.
- Just about anything else anyone is willing to volunteer for!

PTA AGM Thursday 23rd September, 7pm, The Castle Inn Pub Garden

Please come and support what we try to do. Attendance doesn't mean being press-ganged into some hideous form of enslavement, you can help as much or as little as you like. Maybe you will just come along with some ideas for others to implement, that's ok! This term we plan to hold two class cake sales, have a stall at the church Christmas fayre and hold a quiz night with a cocktail bar. We would like to do more, and this is all up for discussion on the night. **Please note the start time of 7:00pm. Due to recent Covid cases in Year 6 we will meet in the back garden of the Pub.**

Dates for your Diary:

- **Thursday 23rd September - PTA AGM, The Castle Inn Pub Garden.**
- **Wednesday 3rd November – Bag2School Collection, 9:00am**

School Uniforms Items Available

Age	4-5	5	5-6	6	6-7	7	7-8	8	8-9	9	9-10	10	10-11	11	11-12	13
Blue school jumpers	1		2		1						2				0	
blue school cardigans	1		6				3								1	1
grey dresses																
grey skirts		2				1	1	8	1			2			3	
boys trousers		0			1		2	3	3		2	2			2	
girls trousers						2				1	1			1	5	
grey shorts		2					1			4	2	7	1			
girls summer dresses	4			1	2	1				1	1		1	2		2
PE tops			1				3									
PE Shorts		1				2										

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Your School Lottery

Congratulations to Nikola Johur who was a cash prize winner this week and generously donated their winnings to the school.

Please buy some tickets if you haven't already done so. Good luck! Guaranteed winner from our community each week.

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

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Easy ways to support Fundraising for St Nicholas School

Tickets cost just £1 a week, and all profits go towards school funds.

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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. It's quick and easy to do! smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1002238-0

Once signed up, shop on Amazon as normal and Amazon will donate 0.5% of purchases towards the PTA.



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.

