



# St Nicholas School Bulletin



22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2023

## September 2023

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Year 1 & 2 Trip to Whipsnade Zoo  
Tue 26<sup>th</sup> Year 6 NCMP  
Thu 21<sup>st</sup> Open Morning for prospective parents  
Thu 28<sup>th</sup> Vision Day

## October 2023

Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Zoolab visiting EYFS  
Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Vision and Values Visit  
Sun 8<sup>th</sup> – Choir at St Nicholas Church  
Tue 10<sup>th</sup> Harvest Service at Church – 10.00am  
Thu 12<sup>th</sup> TKAT Annual Church Service for Yr6  
Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Open Morning  
Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Flu Vaccinations  
Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Parent Evening  
Thu 19<sup>th</sup> Parent Evening  
Mon 23-Fri 27<sup>th</sup> HALF TERM

## November 2023

Fri 10<sup>th</sup> TEMPEST Photographer  
Fri 10<sup>th</sup> PTA Film Night  
Tue 14<sup>th</sup> Open Morning

## December 2023

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> St Nicholas Day Service at Church – 9.30am  
Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Christmas Jumper Day  
Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Open Morning  
Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Christmas Craft Day  
Thu 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas Panto visiting school  
Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Christmas Church Service – 9.30am  
Fri 15<sup>th</sup> End of Term – 1.30pm

## January 2024

Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> INSET Day  
Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Back to School  
Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Open Morning  
Thu 18<sup>th</sup> IPP Meetings



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## Parent Information Evenings

Thank you to those who attended the parent information evenings which teachers held last week for years 1-6. These were well attended and offered a chance for parent/carers to find out more about curriculum coverage and learning this year. Teachers were also able to answer any questions about the upcoming year and expectations.

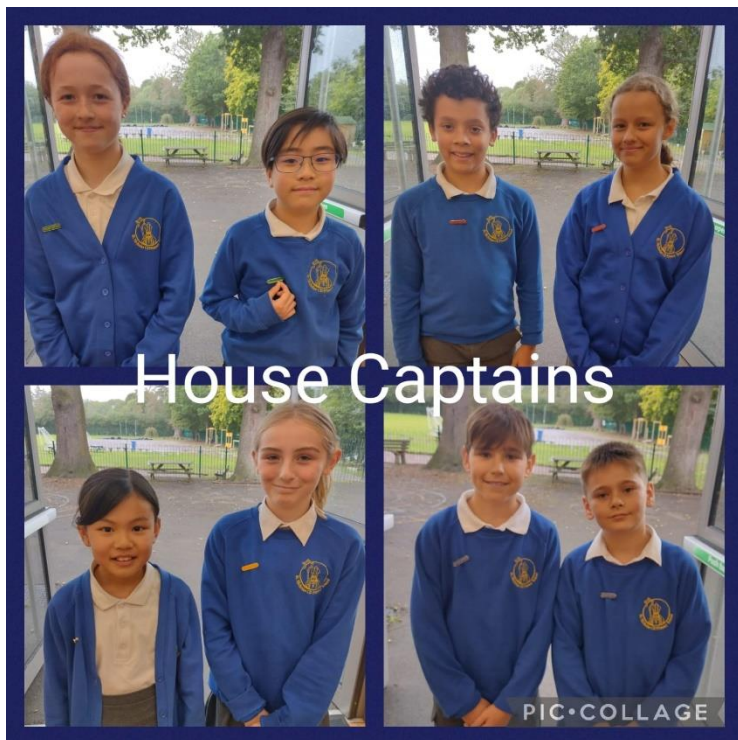
For those unable to attend, presentations from the evening can be found on our school website [www.st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk/](http://www.st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk/) under Class Information.

## CONGRATULATIONS!

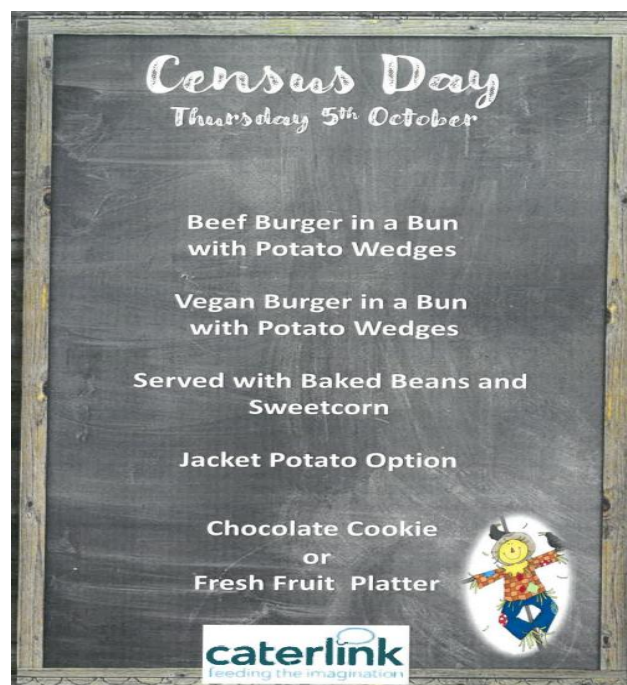
We were really impressed by the number of children who showed great courage to stand for our recent School Council and House Captain elections. There were so many candidates and the children voted for those whose presentation impressed them the most. Well done to all the children who stood for the elections and prepared speeches. Results were shared in Celebration Assembly today.

Our elected captains and Council





**Census Day** is on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October and we will be having a change of menu for that day. Please see here --> This can be ordered in the normal way, at morning registration. An element of school funding for the year is based on how many children eat a school lunch on this day. This funding goes directly to maintain resources and a good quality of education for your children. We would encourage you to order a school dinner on this day, even if you are usually a packed lunch person. Thank you!



# PTA NEWS

Thank you to everyone who attended the PTA meeting that was held recently. We have lots of things to look forward to coming up this term which will be organised by you, for your children. The money raised from these events go towards things that the School would not usually be able to buy. Last year funding for the EYFS canopy was raised and funding towards the new Adventure Playground which is being installed was secured.

We have two upcoming meetings which we strongly encourage all parents to attend.

11<sup>th</sup> October – 5.30pm

8<sup>th</sup> November (AGM) – 6.30pm

Both these meetings will be held in School. Please do come along, hear about upcoming events and get involved.


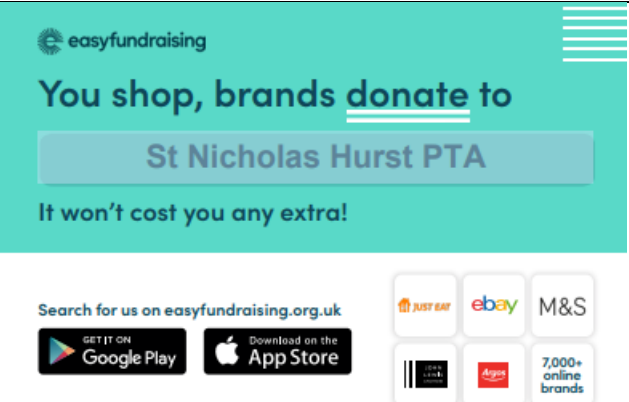

Join our PTA St Nicholas School Facebook Group for updates

\*This is a private group for parents & carers of St Nicholas School pupils. You will be prompted to answer a couple of security questions relating to your child when requesting to join the group.



**One key project that the school are raising money towards this year are some tablets for the children to use in class. Can you help? Do you know anyone who works for Microsoft or Apple? If you have any connection with any large company who might be interested in supporting the school upgrade their IT equipment, please to get in touch!**

In the meantime, there are other ways you can help us raise money..... with all the following, more detail can be found on our Facebook page or ask any of the Committee.

		
<p>Play the lottery each week, guaranteed winner from our supporters every week. Also national jackpot of £25,000!  <a href="#">Support St Nicholas CE Primary School when you play Your School Lottery - Your School Lottery</a></p>	<p>Online shopping via an EasyFundraising account, triggers payments to the PTA at no cost to you.  <a href="https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/panel/">https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/panel/</a></p>	<p>For companies that offer to Match Fund your donations, this is often through Benevity. Direct donations can be made to the project below via your employee portal.  <a href="#">Adventure Playground - Replacement Equipment   Benevity Causes</a></p>

# BESPOKE ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Over the past year, our enrichment offer has increased considerably, offering a wide range of opportunities for the children. We are excited to further add Breakfast Club, Dance Starz, FunBox and Yoga to this offer. Please see below for more information.

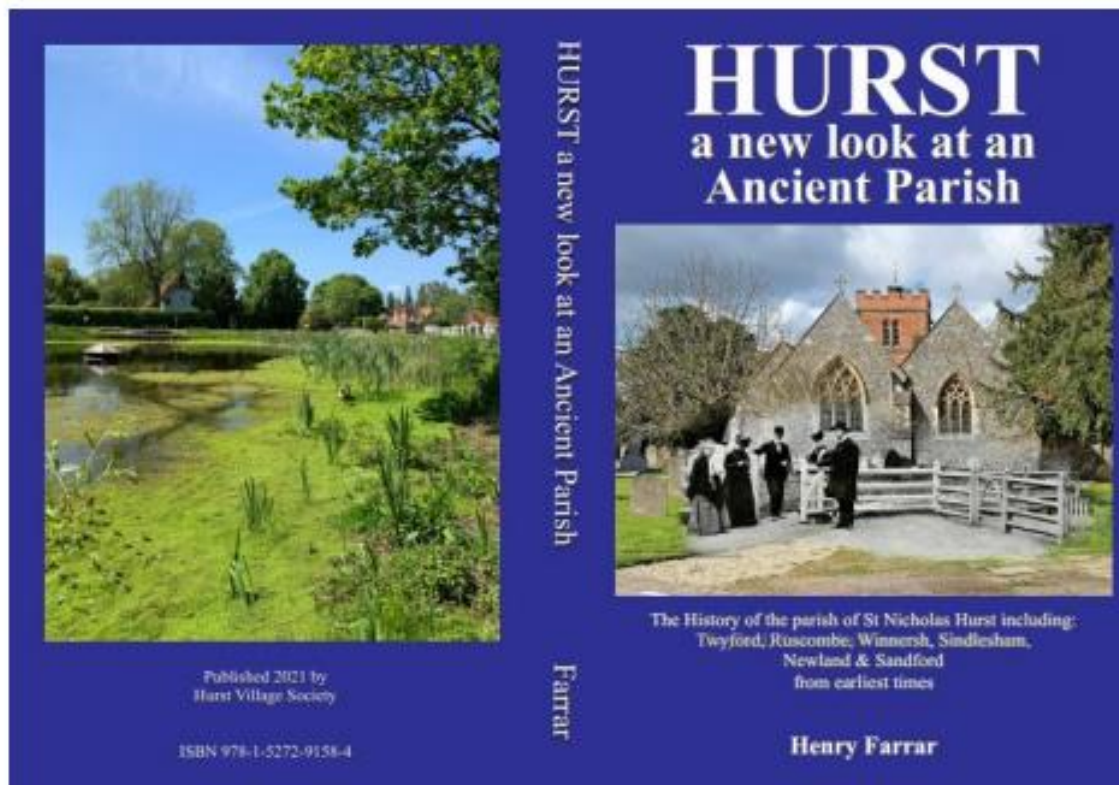
Day	What's On?	For more info/ booking
<b>Monday</b>	<p>8.00am Morning <b>Judo</b> with Ollie Fricker</p> <p><b>Lunchtime Football Coaching – KS1</b></p> <p>12.00pm <b>Recorder club</b></p> <p>1.00pm <b>Guitar and Drum</b> Tuition with Tony Lyons</p> <p>3.15 – 4.15pm <b>Football Club</b></p>	<p><a href="https://judo-school.class4kids.co.uk/term/33">https://judo-school.class4kids.co.uk/term/33</a></p> <p>Core Coaching – Free</p> <p>Mrs Clacy</p> <p><a href="mailto:tonytonylons@gmail.com">tonytonylons@gmail.com</a></p> <p>Mrs Thomas and Mr Godden email <a href="mailto:admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk">admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk</a></p>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<p>8.00am <b>Dance Starz</b> with Zoe (coming soon – date tbc)</p> <p>1.00pm Berkshire Maestros <b>Music</b> Tuition</p> <p><b>Lunchtime Football Coaching – KS2</b></p>	<p>TBC</p> <p><a href="http://www.berkshiremaestros.org.uk">www.berkshiremaestros.org.uk</a></p> <p>Core Coaching – Free</p>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<p>8.00am Morning <b>Fencing</b> Club Little Musketeers</p> <p><b>Choir Group</b></p> <p><b>Lunchtime Core Coaching – Tag Rugby</b></p>	<p><a href="https://musketeerseducation.com/">https://musketeerseducation.com/</a></p> <p>Mrs Clacy and Mrs Prince</p> <p>Core Coaching - Free</p>
<b>Thursday</b>	<p>8.00am <b>Funbox</b></p> <p><b>Lunchtime Core Coaching – Girls Only Football</b></p> <p><b>Forest Fun</b> After School Club</p>	<p><a href="mailto:bethany@thelondonballetcompany.co.uk">bethany@thelondonballetcompany.co.uk</a></p> <p>Core Coaching – Free</p> <p><a href="https://bookwhen.com/wildnessandwonder">https://bookwhen.com/wildnessandwonder</a></p>
<b>Friday</b>	<p>8.00am <b>Yoga</b></p> <p><b>Piano Tuition</b> (Group and Individual)</p> <p>Lunchtime <b>Books and Board Games</b></p> <p><b>Lunchtime Core Coaching – Netball</b></p> <p><b>Spanish Adventures</b> After School Club – <b>KS1 only</b></p>	<p><a href="mailto:bethany@thelondonballetcompany.co.uk">bethany@thelondonballetcompany.co.uk</a></p> <p><a href="mailto:admin@wekey.co.uk">admin@wekey.co.uk</a></p> <p>Mrs Hatrick KS1 &amp; KS2</p> <p>Core Coaching - Free</p> <p>Mrs Ramos – <a href="mailto:thebilingualapproach@gmail.com">thebilingualapproach@gmail.com</a></p>
<b>Everyday</b>	<p><b>Get Active</b> Breakfast Club</p> <p><b>Get Active</b> After School Club</p> <p><b>Core Coaching</b> Lunchtime Clubs – Open to all and FREE.</p>	<p><a href="https://getactivesportsuk.coordinate.cloud/project/44177">https://getactivesportsuk.coordinate.cloud/project/44177</a></p> <p><a href="https://getactivesportsuk.coordinate.cloud/project/30962">https://getactivesportsuk.coordinate.cloud/project/30962</a></p>



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Hurst Village Society

### The Book on Hurst



**£23 NOW ON SALE**

**Please order via the School Office:**

[admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-nicholas.wokingham.sch.uk)

**or via the QR Code:**

**\*School receives £4 for every copy sold\***

For more information - [www.hvs.org.uk](http://www.hvs.org.uk)





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## 14.10.23

HURST VILLAGE HALL  
6-11.59 PM

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£1 WILL BE DONATED TO THE ST NICHOLAS PTA FUND FOR  
EVERY TICKET SOLD

PLEASE BOOK YOUR TICKET BY EMAILING  
[CONTACT@VINTAGEHOGROAST.CO.UK](mailto:CONTACT@VINTAGEHOGROAST.CO.UK)

8PM TO 12  
MIDNIGHT

SAT 30TH  
SEPT



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### **Twyford Together Charity 5K and Fun Run**

Early bird, online entry is open for this year's Fun Run on **Sunday 8 October** so be sure to register early if you want to save a few pennies. There are races for all ages including parents, terrific prizes and novelty categories as well as seasonal stalls, activities and entertainment.

Visit the Twyford Together website for all the latest details and to enter at [www.twyfordtogether.org](http://www.twyfordtogether.org).

### **Singing and Drama Session for Years 5 and 6**

Saturday, 7th October

Charvil Village Hall

2.00pm to 4.30pm

Fun singing and drama session for 9 to 18 year olds led by Suzanne Newman and PJ Barnes

We will be working on some songs from the musical Oliver with an informal performance to end the session

Cost: £15

To book a place please contact Suzanne - [suzanneynewman@btinternet.com](mailto:suzanneynewman@btinternet.com)





HURST PANTOMIME GROUP PRESENTS

# Revenge of Hook

**IF YOU LIVE IN, OR ARE CONNECTED WITH HURST, PLEASE COME AND JOIN US!**

We are looking for actors and actresses of all ages (adult chorus members do not need to audition, children should be at least year 4).

**Key dates:**

**Monday 11th September 2023, 7.30pm:** Introductory information meeting – Hurst Scout Hut

**Friday 15th September 2023, 7.30pm:** Youth & Adult Auditions - Hurst Village Hall

**Sunday 17th September 2023, 1pm:** Children's registration and auditions (school years 4-8)  
- Hurst Village Hall

**Performances will be on:**

Thursday 18th January 2024, 7.30pm

Friday 19th January 2024, 7.30pm

Saturday 20th January 2024, 2pm

Saturday 20th January 2024, 7.30pm

Rehearsals will be on Friday evenings from 7:30pm and Sunday afternoons from 1pm

Please call Emily on 07938 086 387 or go to [www.hurstpanto.org.uk](http://www.hurstpanto.org.uk) if interested or for further details