

# ST NICHOLAS C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning today for all our tomorrows in our caring, Christian community.

STRENGTH ◊ TRUTHFULNESS ◊ NEIGHBOURLINESS ◊ INDEPENDENCE ◊ CREATIVITY ◊ SPORTSMANSHIP

18th October 2019

## Attendance 14th — 18th October

 Acorn	97.2%
Pine	95.0%
Chestnut	99.3%
Birch	89.6%
Sycamore	94.3%
Oak	95.0%



## Lunches

A reminder that completed lunch slips must be handed to the office by 3pm each Friday, to enable the Catering Manager to order the correct ingredients for the following week. This helps us to reduce waste, therefore saving money.

Payments for children's meals are collected via School Money. Each Friday afternoon Mrs Dodds enters the meals that each child has had that week, and their account balance is updated.



## Census Day - Thank you!

Thank you to all of our parents and carers for your support on Census Day! 64% of our children across the school and a fantastic 82% of our pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 who are entitled to universal free school meals had a school dinner.

We are overwhelmed by your response - it is much appreciated and will ensure that we get the most funding we can to continue to offer the range of educational experiences and support we currently do.

## Academy Conversion

Thank you to all of the parents and carers who attended our meetings regarding the school joining the Vine Schools Trust - I hope the meetings were informative and that all of your questions were answered. If you have any further queries, please make an appointment via the office, to come and speak with me.

## Phonics Workshops

Thank you to those parents who attended the first workshop with Miss Follett recently, I hope you have found it useful to learn how we are teaching phonics throughout the school. There is another opportunity to attend the same workshop, on Friday 8th November from 6pm in the school hall. If you are able to attend, you should find the session extremely beneficial when it comes to supporting your child's progress with phonics and reading at home.

## Staffing Changes

At the end of this half term, Mrs Elswiler is leaving our school to take up a new position at Maldon Court Prep School. We are extremely sad to see her go, and I know that the children will be too. She has worked at the school since 2012, and has had a big impact on the children's learning over the years, particularly with our SEN children. We wish her every success in her new role - good luck Mrs Elswiler,

## Uniform

A number of children have been coming into school wearing trainers - this is not acceptable footwear for school, all children must wear proper school shoes. Also, ties are compulsory for all children in Years 1-6, if your child does not have a tie, please place an order via School Money.

## Learning Council

This year's Learning Council members are:

Oak - Mason & Riley

Sycamore - Mia B & Morgan

Birch - Alfie M & Lewis H

Chestnut - Jessica, Finley & Rocco

Pine - Betsy-Rose & Jacob H