



ST. NICHOLAS C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL



Autumn Newsletter 7 – Friday 21st October 2022



Our Core Christian Values



This week in Murphy Class we have looked at our family and written some sentences about who lives at home with us and this included any pets that they have. We have looked at time, in particular day and night-time and the different things that we do at different times of the day. We have looked at the creation story and done some acting out. We have looked at our last colour monster, fear, done some Autumn art about hedgehogs and had great fun in Foraging Friday. Also, for some of us we have attended our first ever school disco, which was great fun too!

Milne Class have had another busy week! In Maths we have been revisiting 2D shapes. We have looked at their properties and played shape games. In English, the children have been planning their own stories, using a story mountain. We have been using compass directions in Geography to locate Castles in the UK. In RE we have started to look at Islam. On Wednesday Milne Class had a Castle Day. We had some Princesses, Princes, Kings, and Knights. We also had the 'artist formally known as Prince'. The children designed and made crowns and jam tarts.



Well done to Dahl Class for reaching 25 beads in our jar! We enjoyed an extra playtime on the equipment as our reward. This week we have written informal letters from naughty pets to their owners, the children had lots of good ideas and were able to extend their sentences in their own writing. In Maths we have done lots of problem solving with addition and subtraction. In Science we investigated soil to find the different layers and understood what it contains. The children

have worked hard this half term on computing, becoming more confident and independent. We hope you all have a great break and look forward to seeing you all back for our next theme week after half term.

This week, Walliams Class have been working on writing a biography of a famous British person. The children have looked at the features of a biography including structure, past tense, pronouns, adverbials, and time conjunctions. For our class guided reading this week we have been reading *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. In Maths we have been working on 2D shapes, lines of symmetry, and investigating angles. In computing we finished our first unit on internet research. In Science we created posters on health and hygiene of looking after our teeth. In Geography we looked at similarities between European cities. Well done this term Walliams Class, you have all worked hard!



Rowling Class have been designing and creating a volcano in their D & T lesson. It was great fun and everyone really enjoyed it. On Wednesday we used our new laptops for the first time. We spent the afternoon using scratch and creating animation with sound effects. It was a fantastic afternoon and everyone really enjoyed having their own laptop to work on. In Maths we have been practising our protractor skills and reminding ourselves about acute, right angles, obtuse and reflex angles. In English we have written an explanation text about Volcanoes headings, sub-headings, pronouns and fronted adverbials. It has been a very busy half-term and you have worked hard. Have a fantastic half-term holiday!



Rainbow Readers

Don't forget to record the reading your child does on the Rainbow Reading Challenge sheet and then send it into school when you have completed the first sheet.

Reading Buddies

Rowling Class went to visit Murphy Class today and they read books to each other.



School Kitchen

Please see next week's menu below.

School Lunch Menu
Week 2 – Week commencing Monday 31st October 2022
St Nicholas Primary School



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course Option 1	Pasta Neapolitan with Mozzarella Cheese	Sweet and Sour Chicken	Wicks Manor Pork Sausages with Yorkshire Pudding	Mild Beef Chilli Wrap	Seaside battered fish fillet
Main Course Option 2	Pasta Neapolitan with Mozzarella Cheese	Sweet and Sour Quorn	Vegetarian Sausage with Yorkshire Pudding	Vegetable Chilli Wrap	Quorn Burger
Light Bite Option 3	Jacket Potato with Cheese and coleslaw	Tuna Mayonnaise Jacket potato and salad	Wicks Manor Sausages in a roll with BBQ sauce	Macaroni Cheese and Salad	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans and salad
Accompaniments	Herby bread wedge Salad Bar	Rice Green Beans	Mini Roasties Carrots and Broccoli Rich gravy	Baked Potato Wedges Sweetcorn	Chips Peas Baked Beans
Dessert or Pudding	Frozen Fruit Smoothie	Chocolate Crispy Cake	Fruity Jelly with squirty cream	Fruit Salad	Lisa's Lovely Cookie
Other items available	Wholemeal Bread Salad Bar Yeo Valley Yoghurts Fresh Milk Fresh Water	Wholemeal Bread Salad Bar Yeo Valley Yoghurts Fresh Milk Fresh Water	Wholemeal Bread Salad Bar Yeo Valley Yoghurts Fresh Milk Fresh Water	Wholemeal Bread Salad Bar Yeo Valley Yoghurts Fresh Milk Fresh Water	Wholemeal Bread Salad Bar Yeo Valley Yoghurts Fresh Milk Fresh Water

PTA

The money raised by the PTA goes to help support the children and school. Please support these events as much as you can.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 7th November – Baking and Cookery Club starts – see letter below

Monday 28th – Friday 2nd December – Christmas Film Week

Wednesday 7th December – Peter Pan Panto at The Towngate Theatre

Friday 16th December – Christmas Fair

Friday 10th February – Valentine's Day Event

Friday 17th March – Mother's Day Stall

Friday 31st March – Easter Event

Friday 26th May – Break the Rules Day

Friday 16th June – Father's Day Stall

Friday 30th June – Summer Fair

Friday 14th July – Prom/Disco

Saturday 22nd July – Tillingham Flower Show



Dear Parents/Carers

Baking and Cookery Club

The PTA are pleased to be able to offer a new and exciting Baking and Cookery Club on Mondays straight after school, from 3.10pm – 4.30pm.

There will be limited spaces available so if you would like to book your child a space, please do so as soon as you can, payments can be made via the school money app.

The cost of the club will be £5.00 per child per week, and we will be running for a total of 6 weeks, payment of £30.00 will be required as a lump sum.

All ingredients and equipment needed will be provided by the PTA so your child will not need to bring anything to the club.

The dates of the club are as follows:

- Monday 7th November*
- Monday 14th November*
- Monday 21st November*
- Monday 28th November*
- Monday 5th December*
- Monday 12th December*

All monies raised will be going into the PTA account for the Children.

All allergies will be catered for, once payment is received, we will be issuing a booking form where you can detail all allergies or special requirements needed.

Please note –

- The club will be run by the PTA, these PTA members will be giving up their time to ensure your child has a great experience, if for any reason a child is disrupting the class the parents or carers will be called to collect the child and this may result in the child not being able to participate in future classes.*
- Any missed classes will not be refunded unless cancelled by ourselves.*
- Bookings to be made by Friday 4th November 2022*

We thank you for your attention and look forward to running this club.

Many thanks,
St Nicholas PTA

Awards

Headteacher Award

Amber in Dahl Class for amazing efforts in Maths.

Golden Children

Murphy

Mathematician of the Week: Felix
Writer of The Week: Poppy
Attitude to Learning: Ivy-May
Core Value of Friendship: Charlie for making some good friendships.

Milne

Mathematician of the Week: Macy
Writer of The Week: Amber
Attitude to Learning: Murphy

	Core Value of Friendship: Rowan for being a good friend.
Dahl	Mathematician of the Week: Oliver B Writer of The Week: Teddy Attitude to Learning: Freya Core Value of Respect & Friendship: Amelia-Rose for when working in a team.
Walliams	Mathematician of the Week: Ruby E Writer of The Week: Henry B Attitude to Learning: Rocco Core Value of Courage: Frankie for trying his best and not giving up.
Rowling	Mathematician of the Week: Jacob Bak Writer of The Week: Nathan Attitude to Learning: Lily-Rose Core Value of Kindness: Finnley for kindness when supporting his classmates during their IT lesson.

**THIS SCHOOL IS
NUT FREE**



Please remember we are a NUT FREE SCHOOL! We have a number of children with severe nut allergies which means we cannot have any food in that contains nuts, or may contain nuts. This includes all types of nuts including hazelnuts. Please can we ask that check all packaging of snacks and packed lunches before you send it in to school. This also includes any sweets or treats you send on for your child's birthday celebrations.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Uniform

Please see the table below giving details of our current school uniform for girls and boys.

For Girls	For Boys:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School cardigan or jumper with school logo on – Bottle Green • Black skirt, pinafore or trousers • White cotton shirt or blouse • School tie (not compulsory for Reception) • Summer term: green and white gingham dresses or playsuits • White socks or black tights (if your child is wearing tights, please ensure they have a pair of socks in their PE bag) • Black leather shoes - no sandals, heels, trainers or boots • Hats to keep safe in the sun • Plain, flat, removable studs only – no hoops. • Shoulder length hair must be tied back with green gingham, green or black hair ties - all hair accessories must be in keeping with the dress code. No large bows or hair accessories. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green jumper or cardigan with school logo on – Bottle Green • White shirt • School tie (not compulsory for Reception) • Black trousers • Black shorts in summer • Black socks • Black leather shoes – no trainers or boots • Hats to keep safe in sun • Flat, plain removable studs only – no hoops • Long hair must be securely tied back
PE Kit:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black school PE top (compulsory) • Plain black jogging bottoms • Plain black PE shorts • Black school hoodie or plain black hoodie • Trainers and white socks 	

Key Dates

Attendance

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 24th - Friday 28th October – Half Term

Friday 18th November – Children In Need – PJ/Onesie Day

Friday 25th November – Christmas Design & Technology Day

INSET Days for 2022 / 2023

Monday 20th February 2023

Monday 5th June 2023

Murphy: 94.41%

Milne: 91.02%

Dahl: 96.71%

Walliams: 92.87%

Rowling: 92.78%

Whole School: 93.51%

Secondary School Admissions

As you may know the Secondary School Admissions opened on Monday 12th September 2022 for parents of current year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2023.

The statutory national closing date for applications is 31st October 2022.

Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

Open Days

We will be holding Open Days for EYFS Starters for September 2023 intake on the following dates:

Tuesday 15th November at 9.30am and 11am

Wednesday 16th November at 1.30pm

To organise a place at either of these dates/times please call the school office on 01621 779263 alternatively you can email office.stnicholas@dcvst.org.

If you wish to contact the school via e-mail, please use the following e-mail address: office.stnicholas@dcvst.org.

Please note, if you receive an e-mail from StNicholasCofEPrimary@pupilasset.co.uk, please do not try to reply to this e-mail address. Although your e-mail seems to send, it does not actually come through to the school. Please reply using the office.stnicholas@dcvst.org

Tillingham Village Art Club

A number of parents have spoken to us today regarding an Art Club starting in the village after half term. Just to reassure you, due to safeguarding concerns, we will not allow children to be collected by anyone other than a named person. If you wish your child to be picked up from school for the Art Club you will need to give written permission, naming the person collecting your child, with dates and times.