



# ST. NICHOLAS C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL



Autumn Newsletter 9 – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022

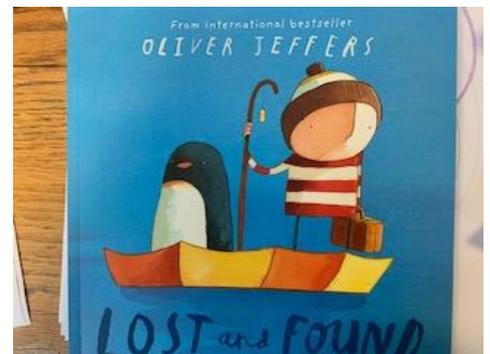


## Our Core Christian Values



In Murphy Class this week, we have had our work based around Remembrance Day. We have looked at different acrostic poems and in small groups talked about which one is our favourite and why. We have then worked in small groups to give our ideas on our own acrostic poems. We have watched a video clip on Remembrance Day from CBBC and created some lovely artwork on poppies. We have done created a painted picture and even made a poppy from a paper plate. We have looked at the numbers 1, 2 and 3 in Maths and compared them in lots of different ways. We have done some Foraging Friday activities based on Remembrance and even attend our first remembrance service at the church with the whole school.

In Milne this week, we have been looking at the book 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. We are using this book to help us with our English work. We have been looking at instructions and how to write them. In Maths we have been practicing our timetables and counting in multiples. We have also started to look at which animals live in the polar regions. For Remembrance Day, we have been making poppy pictures and a poppy wreath. Please could we ask for donations of old, clean socks. They can be any colour and condition.



This week Dahl Class has been doing lots of art work in the afternoon to display for Remembrance Day. We have been looking at red and purple poppies and creating collages using oil pastels and tissue paper. We have been looking at column subtraction in Mathematics which the children are putting lots of effort into. Their main topic for this half term is The Great Fire of London. The children are really enjoying the links to our topic in English, as they have been writing warning posters for having a fire in your home and also writing speech bubbles to help us imagine what the people might have shouted to each other when the fire first started. Finally,

they have been learning about light in Science, including conducting an experiment involving a torch and different opaque, transparent and translucent materials.

This week Walliams Class have been reading stories based on The Armistice/Remembrance Day. The children have been working hard on writing a diary entry based on a soldier in the trenches of World War One. We have been looking at different senses and powerful adjectives to support our writing. In Maths this week we have been working on multiplication, including multiples of and factors. The children have made some wonderful artwork based on Remembrance Day. In Computing, we have been looking at parts of a computer and how it works. In RE we learnt about the origins of Sikhism and in PSHE we have looked at how everyone of us is unique. In Science children designed their own version of an apex predator based on what we have been learning about the animal food chain.



It has been another very busy week in Rowling Class. In English we have been learning about the perfect tense, our word classes and we have also written a Kenning Poem. In Maths we have been finding equivalent fractions, adding and subtracting fractions. We also revised improper and proper fractions. We enjoyed using our new laptops and practising our scratch skills in ICT. We had to create traffic lights and make them change colours. It easy tricky but everyone worked really well and supported each other. Well done Rowling Class!

### **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.



### **School Kitchen**

Please see next week's menu below.

**School Lunch Menu**  
**Week 1 – Week commencing Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022**  
**St Nicholas Primary School**



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course Option 1	Tri-colour pasta with smoky tomato sauce or cheese sauce	Omega 3 fish fingers	Sausage toad in the hole with gravy	Pasta Bolognese	Coated mini chicken fillet with mayonnaise
Main Course Option 2	Tri-colour pasta with smoky tomato sauce or cheese sauce	Quorn burger	Vegetarian sausage toad in the hole with gravy	Vegetable pasta Bolognese	Quorn dippers with ketchup
Light Bite Option 3	Jacket Potato with baked beans	pizza panini	One pot vegetarian goulash	Jacket potato with cheese and coleslaw	Coronation chicken salad with rice
Accompaniments	Herby bread and Green salad	Chips and Baked beans	Mini roast potatoes, Carrots and Cabbage	Garlic bread	Homemade Potato wedges with Coleslaw and peas
Dessert or Pudding	Fruit cocktail Fresh fruit	Lemon drizzle cake Fresh fruit	Yeo valley yoghurts Fresh fruit	Ice cream rolls Fresh fruit	Autumn crunchy crumble and custard Fresh fruit
Other items available	Wholemeal Bread Salad Bar Yeo Valley Yoghurts Fresh Milk Fresh Water Fresh Fruit/Fruity Jelly	Wholemeal Bread Salad Bar Yeo Valley Yoghurts Fresh Milk Fresh Water Fresh Fruit/Fruity Jelly	Wholemeal Bread Salad Bar Yeo Valley Yoghurts Fresh Milk Fresh Water Fresh Fruit/Fruity Jelly	Wholemeal Bread Salad Bar Yeo Valley Yoghurts Fresh Milk Fresh Water Fresh Fruit	Wholemeal Bread Salad Bar Yeo Valley Yoghurts Fresh Milk Fresh Water Fresh Fruit

For Allergen information relating to this menu, please see your school website or contact the school Catering Manager who will be happy to give advice on any aspect of the menu.

## 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 28<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Christmas Film Week**

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Peter Pan Panto at The Towngate Theatre

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fair

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December – 4pm – 7pm Tillingham Fire Station and St Nicholas PTA – Santa's Grotto Winter Open Day

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February – Valentine's Day Event

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March – Mother's Day Stall

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March – Easter Event

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Break the Rules Day

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June – Father's Day Stall

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Summer Fair

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July – Prom/Disco

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Tillingham Flower Show

## Thank You PTA

Here are some pictures of some Maths items that the PTA have kindly brought Murphy Class to help make Maths more exciting than it already is. We also asked them for a lovely world map to which they brought the magnetic world map puzzle. Murphy Class have loved looking at all the different animals and countries. We also have to thank them for a huge amount of playdough, some construction kits, hard hats and high vis jackets to play with, translucent numbers as well as some wooden items to thread with and tweezers. Murphy Class couldn't wait to start playing and using these items. Thank you PTA!



## Awards

### Headteacher Award

Our HLTA/Tas - Natasha, Clare, Lynda, Kym and Katy for being so supportive and for always going over and above for our children.

### Golden Children

Murphy	<p>Mathematician of the Week: Walter            Writer of The Week: Dante            Attitude to Learning: Ruby            Core Value of Friendship: Sophie for being a good friend.</p>
Milne	<p>Mathematician of the Week: Scarlett            Writer of The Week: Holly-Rose            Attitude to Learning: Evie            Core Value of Respect: Maddison for being respectful to all adults.</p>
Dahl	<p>Mathematician of the Week: Pearl            Writer of The Week: Darcie            Attitude to Learning: Daniel            Core Value of Respect: Fynn for being respectful to adults and peers.</p>
Walliams	<p>Mathematician of the Week: Jacob Y            Writer of The Week: Teddy E            Attitude to Learning: Louie S            Core Value of Respect: Mila for having an excellent attitude to everything she does, helpful and respectful.</p>
Rowling	<p>Mathematician of the Week: Caleb            Writer of The Week: Max B            Attitude to Learning: Mia Le            Core Value of Respect: Jess for being respectful to everyone.</p>

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

## Key Dates

### IMPORTANT DATES

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Children In Need Spotty Non-Uniform Day**

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November – Christmas Design & Technology Day

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Panto Trip

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Murphy, Milne and Dahl Class Nativity

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Church Service 2pm

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Class Christmas Parties. Festive Non-Uniform Day

Christmas Holidays Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023

**Children return to school on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

## Attendance

Murphy: 94.12%

Milne: 91.08%

Dahl: 96.51%

Walliams: 92.19%

Rowling: 91.64%

Whole School:

93.02%

## INSET Days for 2022 / 2023

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023

### Open Days

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

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30am and 11am

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto:office.stnicholas@dcvst.org).

Please note, if you receive an e-mail from [StNicholasCofEPrimary@pupilasset.co.uk](mailto: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](mailto:office.stnicholas@dcvst.org)

### England Rocks on TT Rockstars

Next week we are taking part in England Rocks on TTR. Please encourage your child to take part and support the school.



**ENGLAND  
ROCKS**

**14<sup>TH</sup> - 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**  
7:30AM GMT TO 7:30PM GMT DAILY

Winning class will have the highest  
number of correct answers per pupil.

PLAY IN  
ANY  
GAME TYPE

1-HOUR  
TIME LIMIT  
PER PERSON

Ask your teacher for full details or visit:  
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