



St Nicholas C of E (VA) Primary School and Nursery



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Our Value this half term is Thankfulness

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

These children are our **Values Champions** for last half term having consistently demonstrated the value of Compassion. Congratulations to all of you.

Reception: Sophia; **Y1:** Freya; **Y2:** Tolu; **Y3:** Ella & Milo; **Y4:** Emily; **Y5:** Connie; **Y6:** Mohammed.

Letter from Buckingham Palace! We were delighted to receive a letter and card (see overleaf) from Buckingham Palace this week, thanking staff and pupils for the letters sent to King Charles in celebration of his Coronation. We will be putting them up in school in due course.

Great Fire of London Workshops Years 1 & 2 took part in Great Fire of London Workshops run by Stevenage Museum in school on Wednesday. They had different activities to explore and even met a (cuddly) Great Fire of London rat!

Poppies and accessories Y6 will go round to the classes during the day to sell poppies, wrist bands, slap bands, zip pulls and reflectors during next week. If you would like your child to buy something, please send money in with them in a named envelope. Thank you.



Safety Online Simplified 7

Online gaming: Online games are social activities, and most have features that allow children to chat with others whilst they play. For information about the positives of gaming, the risks of in-game chat and measures you can take to help protect your family, we suggest you read this article: [In-game chat: a guide for parents and carers.](#)

Achievements

Each week we focus on a learning behaviour and one or two children who display this behaviour in each class will receive a certificate in celebration of this. Our learning behaviour this week has been **Questioning**.

Congratulations to:

Y1: Aspen & Hannah; **Y2:** Theo & Matteo; **Y3:** Alex & Aria; **Y4:** Dominic; **Y5:** Lordina, Oscar, Hannah & Caiden; **Y6:** Archie.

Next week we will be focusing on Teamwork.

House points

We are keeping a weekly tally of the number of House points each House has as well as a running total. You can see it's very close between the houses at the moment!

The overall total number of points so far this term for each House is:

St Francis:	642
St Clare:	642
St Andrew:	641
St Catherine:	627

Sporting Achievements

A group of Y6 children took part in a **Basketball Competition** at Barnwell yesterday. They played really well as a team and were very sporting. They won 3 of their group matches and beat St Ippolyts 24-0 in their final play-off match! Very well done to all those of you who took part.



Have a great weekend! Mrs Collins

Learning, Loving, Living in God's Family

"But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love forever and ever. Psalm 52:8

Letter and card from the King!



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

To: The Pupils and Staff
St. Nicholas C. of E. Primary School and Nursery

The King has asked me to thank you for your very kind letters, sent in celebration of Their Majesties' Coronation.

The King was deeply touched that you should have taken the trouble to write, and would have me convey his warmest good wishes to everyone at St. Nicholas C. of E. Primary School and Nursery.

I am to thank you once again for your thoughtful message at this time of celebration.

Yours sincerely,

Head of Royal Correspondence

20th October, 2023



We were deeply touched by your most kind and thoughtful message following our Coronation. We are enormously grateful to everyone who took part in the celebrations, and particularly appreciate that you so generously took the time to write to us on this very special occasion.

Diary Dates

- **Friday 10th November** – Y3 & Y4 visit to Stevenage Museum for “Egyptian Experience”
- **Monday 27th November** – Occasional Day – School Closed
- **Friday 8th December** – Catch up Flu Immunisations in school
- **Friday 8th December** – Y2 Christmas Journey
- **Wednesday 13th December** – 1:45pm Y3-6 Carol Concert in Church – Parents Welcome
- **Wednesday 13th December** – am Y1 & Y2 Nativity in School
- **Thursday 14th December** – am YR Nativity in School
- **Thursday 14th December** – pm Y1 & Y2 Nativity in School
- **Friday 15th December** – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
- **Monday 18th December** – am Pantomime in School
- **Tuesday 19th December** – 1:45pm Church service for whole school - children only
- **Wednesday 20th December**– Last Day of Term – Early Finish 1.30pm – No After School Club
- **Thursday 4th January 2024** – Back to School



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