



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



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Our Value this half term is Compassion

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

Harvest Live

Key Stages One and Two took part in an online 'Harvest Live' event on Wednesday. The children followed the journey that food takes from farm to plate and the many processes it goes through.

There was a live action of cooking demonstration, and behind the scene look at farms and flour mills. This opportunity was provided free by the National Farmers Union and gives our children a better understanding of how important our food is. Here they are enjoying the event:



Christmas cards

Your child's artwork has been sent away to be transformed and we've now received the beautiful order forms, so you can see exactly what they've created. We'll be sending them home with the children today, so keep an eye out for yours. If you don't get one, do let us know asap so we can send a replacement for you. All the details of how you can order are on the form being sent home. **Remember to order by the cut of date 17th October 2023. The school will receive 30% of all order placed before this date.**



Safety Online Simplified 5

Watching videos: Children love to watch videos and YouTube is always a firm favourite! But sometimes children can be exposed to videos that are not meant for them. [YouTube Kids](#) is a safer way for children to explore their interests. You can find more information about this on [YouTube Kids: what parents need to know](#) and you can set filters on YouTube following [these instructions](#).

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 **Resilience**.

Congratulations to:

Y1: Oscar & Harry; **Y2:** Joel; **Y3:** Evelyn; **Y4:** Elijah; **Y5:** David & Aiesha; **Y6:** Isabella.

Next week we will be focusing on Listening.

House points

We are keeping a weekly tally of the number of House points each House has as well as a running total.

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

St Francis:	390
St Andrew:	380
St Catherine:	363
St Clare:	349

Quiz Night A reminder that you can still buy tickets for the PTA Quiz Night tomorrow - Saturday 7th October - at 7pm. Tickets cost £5 and include entry and food. Further details on poster overleaf. We look forward to seeing you there!

Diary Dates

- **Saturday 7th October** – 7pm PTA Quiz Night (18+)
- **Friday 13th October** – School Disco
- **Wednesday 18th October** – Parent and Carer Consultations.
- **Thursday 19th October** – Parent and Carer Consultations.
- **Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October** – Half Term
- **Wednesday 1st November** – Y1 & Y2 Great Fire of London Workshop in school with Stevenage Museum.
- **Monday 27th November** – Occasional Day – School Closed
- **Wednesday 20th December** – Last Day of Term – Early Finish 1.30pm – No After School Club
- **Thursday 4th January 2024** – Back to School

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

Key Stage Two STEM Centre Trip.

Last week Years 3 & 4 then Years 5 & 6 each has an exciting day at the STEM Centre in Stevenage. They have written a little about their trips here and you can see some super photos from the day.

“Years 3 and 4 found out all about our wonderful bodies and the journey of food from mouth to the other end!! - all the organs involved, and the enzymes produced to digest what we eat! We also saw the Mars Rover robot in action. They had a fantastic day.”



“Year 5 and 6 enjoyed an electrifying day at the Stevenage STEM Discovery Centre last week. Y6 made buzz wires, using their circuit knowledge from our class learning. Y5 extended their knowledge of the planetary system by making a phase box. Both classes enjoyed a science or magic investigation where skewers were poked through inflated balloons, sitting on a cushion of nails - well done Mrs Biocchi - and how heat can shrink paper. We were also lucky enough to see the Mars Rover in action on the Mars landscape, the scientists working were more than happy to put on a show!”

