



# 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,

**Christmas Fete** Please come along and support the Christmas Fete in the Hall after school TODAY! There will be lots to see and do as well as some tasty treats for sale. Please note, the stalls are taking CASH ONLY and there is no parking available on site.



**Christmas Jumper Day** Children are welcome to wear a Christmas Jumper to school next Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> December instead of their school jumper (ties not necessary). If they have PE, they should wear their PE kit as usual with a Christmas jumper if they want to wear one. A donation to The Children's Society would be very much appreciated and can be made on Arbor.

**Christmas Cards** We are encouraging children to write one card for their whole class rather than individual cards for each other as a way of being environmentally friendly over the Christmas period. Whole class cards which are written will be put up in the classrooms for all the children to see.

The **Christmas Tree Festival** is taking place at St Andrew and St George's Church this weekend. Please do go along and have a look at our St. Nicholas School tree and all the other beautifully decorated trees from different community groups.

The church is open from 10am – 4pm today and tomorrow (Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>) and from 11am – 6pm on Sunday (10<sup>th</sup>).

### 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 **Independence**.

Congratulations to: **YR:** Alessandro; **Y1:** Sahasra, Sarah & Lydia-Mae; **Y2:** Raylen & Venice; **Y3:** Ming-Yee; **Y4:** Zoe & Molly; **Y5:** Connie & Amba; **Y6:** Isabella.

Next week we will be focusing on Perseverance.

### 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 Catherine:	1124
St Francis:	1120
St Clare:	1116
St Andrew:	1113

Please see the following page for a great week of **Sporting Achievements**.



**Safety Online Simplified 12**

**Keeping personal information safe:** Personal information is any information that can be used to identify your child. Sharing personal information online is easy and sometimes children, like adults, might share more online than they would offline, which can be risky. Read [Personal Information: a guide for parents and carers](#) for information and advice.

**Medical/ dental appointments** Please can parents and carers make appointments for children outside school hours as far as possible. It is disruptive to the childrens' learning and difficult for us to collect children from the classes during school hours as we cannot leave the office unattended. Thank you.

Please see our separate **Christmas Newsletter** for further details of Christmas dates and events.

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*

## Sporting Achievements

One Y5 and one Y6 Team made it to the finals of an **Archery competition** this week against schools from across Stevenage and the surrounding area. The heats took place virtually over the past month and the final took place in person at Barnwell School yesterday. Results were as follows:

Y5 girls: Lordina 5<sup>th</sup> place  
Y5 boys: David 7<sup>th</sup> place  
Y5 girls' team: 5<sup>th</sup> place  
Y5 boys' team: 4<sup>th</sup> place  
Y5 mixed team: 5<sup>th</sup> place

Y6 girls: Saumya 3<sup>rd</sup> place  
Y6 boys: Alfie 2<sup>nd</sup> place  
Y6 girls' team: 2<sup>nd</sup> place  
Y6 boys' team: 3<sup>rd</sup> place  
Y6 mixed team: 6<sup>th</sup> place



We are very proud of all the children who took part; very well done to all of you who participated.

The **Mixed Football Team** won a fantastic match against Longmeadow School on Monday 4-2. Congratulations to all of you who took part!

The **Y5 Netball Team** played away against Shephalbury Park on Tuesday. It was a close match and although they didn't win, they worked together really well. Well done all of you. Here's a match report written by the girls:

"We played against Shephalbury Park and sadly we lost 3-1 but at least we got 1 goal, scored by Willow.

Lordina was Player of the match and we all played well. We worked well as a team. Lordina was Centre for us and we chose the Centre player for the other team as their player of the match.

We had loads of fun playing and look forward to our next match."

## Diary Dates

- **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December** – 3:25pm-5pm Christmas Fete in school
- **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Tree Festival in St Andrew and St George's Church
- **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – 9:30am YR Nativity in school
- **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – 9:30am Y1 & Y2 Nativity in school
- **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – 11:20am YN Nativity in school
- **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – 1:45pm Y3-6 Carol Concert in Church – Parents welcome
- **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – 9:30am YR Nativity in School
- **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – 2pm Y1 & Y2 Nativity in school
- **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
- **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – am Pantomime in school
- **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December** – 1:45pm Church service for whole school - children only
- **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**– Last Day of Term – Early Finish 1.30pm – No After School Club
- **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024** – Back to School



# ST NICHOLAS' SCHOOL



FULL OF CHRISTMAS  
TREATS AND GIFTS

£2 ON ARBOR FOR A STRIP OF 5 TICKETS

