



Headteacher: Mrs Lorraine Collins BA (hons), MA

5th December 2025

Our Value this half term is Thankfulness

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

Visit from Bishop Jane We have really enjoyed our visit from Bishop Jane, the Bishop of Hertford today to help us celebrate The Feast of St Nicholas (the Feast Day is tomorrow). She talked about what it is to be a bishop and the symbolism behind it, dressing Mathea up as she talked!



Christmas Fete Our Christmas Fete is this afternoon in the hall after school. Please come in through the Key Stage 2 entrance. We will need a few minutes to finish setting up at the end of the school day but please do bear with us; the festive fun will be worth a short wait! The Choir will be singing festive songs, and there will be plenty to do and see including games to play and a Christmas corner where you can meet some elves and receive a present. Please see the list of stalls on the following page for more details.

Y2 Christmas Journey Y2 braved the wind and rain on Monday to join Bridge Builders' Christmas Journey at St Hugh and St John Church. Please see the following page for more details and some photos.

The Christmas Tree Festival is taking place at St Andrew and St George 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 (see photo of our tree and a poster on the following pages).

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.

Achievements

Each week we will be focusing 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: Zuriel; **Y2:** Summer; **Y3:** Aspen & Isabelle; **Y4:** Ryder; **Y5:** Kennard; **Y6:** Dominic.

Next week we will be focusing on **Teamwork**.

Sporting Achievements

The **Mixed Football Team** played a home game against Bedwell School on Monday and although they didn't win, they played really well against a strong team and scored 3 goals. Well done to everyone who took part.

We had a special visitor on Tuesday when Stevenage Borough Football Club came to do an assembly; they brought first team player, Harvey White, with them! He did a question and answer session with the children which they really enjoyed.



Uniform The price of knitwear is going up so from January 2026, there will be the option of buying children's jumpers and cardigans in sweatshirt material from Smarty Schoolwear in town. Although the price of knitted uniform will be going up, the sweatshirt material jumpers and cardigans will be the same cost as the current knitwear (£12.50 and £13.50 respectively).

Poppy Appeal A big thank you to everyone who bought poppies and accessories for the British Legion Poppy Appeal. We heard this week that as a school we raised **£141.57**.

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

Y2's Christmas Journey

The children were introduced to the Christmas story at The Christmas Journey and travelled back in time to meet the different characters of the Bible as well as making crowns and their own booklet about their journey. The children behaved really well and we were very proud of them all.



Christmas Fete this afternoon - Stalls include:

- Lucky dip - 2 tokens*
- Secret Snowmen – 1 token*
- Human Fruit Machine - 2 Tokens*
- Bagatelle - 1 token*
- Guess Who - 2 tokens*
- Snowball throwing – 1 token*
- Guess the number of Baubles – 2 tokens*
- Ping Pong Cup Game – 1 token*
- Sweet Tombola - 2 tokens*
- Guess the name of the elf - 2 tokens*
- Christmas Games - 1 - 2 tokens*
- Pin the nose on Rudolf – 2 tokens*
- Christmas Corner - 5 tokens*

We look forward to seeing you here.

Christmas Tree Festival

Here is our beautiful tree, decorated with baubles that all our children decorated with self portraits.



Safety **O**nline **S**implified **13**

Looking for some more age-appropriate apps for your child to access on their device? Internet Matters has a selection [listed here](#) and apps like ScratchJr, Book Creator and Duolingo have great educational value without the worry of adverts popping up.

Diary dates

- **Wednesday 10th December** – 9:30am Nursery and Reception Nativity – parents and carers welcome
- **Thursday 11th December** – 2:15pm Years 1 and 2 Nativity – parents and carers welcome
- **Friday 12th December** – 9:30am Years 1 & 2 Nativity – parents and carers welcome
- **Monday 15th December** – 1:45pm Key Stage 2 Carol Service in church – parents and carers welcome
- **Wednesday 17th December** – Christmas Jumper Day – Donations for Save the Children to be made on Arbor
- **Wednesday 17th December** – Pantomime in school
- **Wednesday 17th December** – School Christmas Lunch
- **Thursday 18th December** – Christingle service in school
- **Thursday 18th December** – Last Day of Term – Early Finish 1.30pm – No After School Club
- **Friday 19th December** – Occasional Day – School Closed
- **Monday 5th January 2026** – Back to School

St Andrew & St George, Stevenage

St George's Way, Stevenage, SG1 1XX

Christmas Tree Festival

Friday 5th - Sunday 7th December

10am - 4pm Fri/Sat 11.30am - 4pm Sunday

Grand Draw

1st Prize £100

Plus Many More Prizes

**Lots of
Stalls**

Refreshments

**FREE
ENTRY**

**Fun for
All the
Family**



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