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17th October 2025

Our Value this half term is Compassion

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

Completing Work and Behaviour Expectations An important reminder that at St Nicholas we have high expectations for all our pupils' learning and behaviour.

If pupils do not complete their work, are disruptive in lessons, or are involved in minor behaviour incidents, they may be kept in for part of their lunchtime to reflect on their choices and to complete any outstanding tasks.

For more serious incidents, we will contact parents directly to discuss the matter and any actions being taken.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us to maintain a positive learning environment for all our children.

Visit from Stevenage Borough Footballers

There was excitement yesterday afternoon as Nick Freeman and Saxon Earley, two of Stevenage Borough's first team players paid a surprise visit to our after school football and multi-sports club.



Parent and Carer Consultations will be taking place next week on Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd October with appointments available from 3:30pm.

Please book your appointment on Arbor if you have not already done so. If you have had an APDR Meeting, you do not need to book a Consultation appointment. Booking closes on Monday 20th October at 10am.

Thank you to all those parents and carers who have come to APDR meetings this week.

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 **Teamwork**. Congratulations to:

Y1: Romilly, Arya & Jamie; **Y2:** Keziah & Dominic; **Y3:** Willow & Lydia-Mae; **Y4:** Tilly, Rebecca & Aviana; **Y5:** All of Year 5; **Y6:** Ollie, Nicholas, Damaris, Albert, Logan, Zoe & Dominic.

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

Sporting Achievements

Bikeability Some of our Year 5 children completed Level 1 and Level 2 Bikeability training this week, which included learning how to safely cycle on local roads. This is a great life skill to have; well done to all of you who took part.

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 Andrew:	627
St Catherine:	599
St Clare:	566
St Francis:	494



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.](#)

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

Diary dates

- **Wednesday 22nd October** – Parent and Carer Consultation Evening
- **Thursday 23rd October** - Parent and Carer Consultation Evening
- **Thursday 23rd October** – Flu immunisations in school
- **Friday 24th October** – INSET Day – School Closed
- **Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October** – Half Term

- **Wednesday 5th November** – Drumming Workshop in school
- **Tuesday 11th November** – second round of Flu immunisations in school
- **Friday 21st November** – Film night (t.b.c.)

- **Friday 5th December** – Christmas Fete after school
- **Monday 8th – Friday 12th December** – Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Nativities (times t.b.c.)
- **Monday 15th December** – Key Stage 2 Carol Service
- **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



flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



1. Protect your child

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

2. Protect you, your family and friends

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record

5. Avoid costs

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

Most children have the nasal spray vaccine which is the preferred vaccine. A vaccine injection is also available which does not contain gelatine from pigs (porcine gelatine).

For more information visit
www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Flu i mmunisation
Helping to protect children, every winter