



Headteacher: Mrs Lorraine Collins BA (hons), MA

18th September 2026

Our Value this half term is Generosity

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

Harvest Donations Our Harvest worship will take place in school next Thursday, 24th September. If you would like to make a donation of tinned or packet/boxed food items (with at least 2 months left on the use by date) *please bring them to school from Monday onwards*. All donations will be given to the Porch Pantry, St Andrew and St George Church's Food Bank. Thank you very much.

School Photos The children looked super this week as they had their individual and sibling school photos taken. Details of how to order the photos online will be sent home with the children today. *Please note the deadline to order for free delivery to school is 2nd October.*

Are you entitled to **Free School Meals**? Children in receipt of FSM also receive additional funding to support their learning for the next 6 years of their education, including support with trips and music lessons. Please check your eligibility and apply: [Free school meals and other benefits | Hertfordshire County Council](#)



Safety Online Simplified 3

Explore together and chat little and often: Ask your child to show you their favourite apps, games and sites and encourage them to teach you how to use these. Ask them if anything ever worries them online. Make sure they know they won't be in trouble and can get help by talking to you or another adult they trust if anything happens online that makes them feel worried, sad, uncomfortable or scared. Remember that removing or confiscating a device when a child shares a problem with you may lead to them not sharing worries or problems in the future.

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 **Listening**. Congratulations to:

Y1: Dahlia; **Y2:** Belicia; **Y3:** Summer & Esmay; **Y4:** Oniro; **Y5:** Joel; **Y6:** Poppy.

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

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:	632
St Catherine:	570
St Andrew:	563
St Clare:	538

Contacting Your Child's Teacher: If you have any concerns or questions, your child's class teacher is the first person to speak to. Our teachers are happy to talk with you about your child. If you would like to speak to them please make an appointment via the school office. Teachers are not available first thing in the morning or immediately after school because they are busy ensuring the safety of your children as they arrive and leave. Please do not enter the school through the classroom doors but enter via the office. Thank you.

Our children go out to play in all weathers so please do remember as the weather gets colder, they need to bring a named coat to school with them every day. Thank you

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

- **Thursday 24th September** – Harvest Service in school
- **Week beginning 12th October** – APDR meetings
- **Monday 19th – 22nd October** – Y5 Cycle Training (for those who have booked it)
- **Wednesday 21st October** – Parent and Carer Consultation Evening
- **Thursday 22nd October** - Parent and Carer Consultation Evening
- **Friday 23th October** – INSET Day – School Closed
- **Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October** – Half Term
- **Thursday 5th November** – Flu immunisations in school
- **Wednesday 23rd November** – second round of Flu immunisations in school
- **Friday 4th December** – Christmas Fete after school
- **Monday 7th – Friday 11th December** – Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 Nativities (times t.b.c.)
- **Monday 14th December** – Key Stage 2 Carol Service
- **Wednesday 16th December** – Pantomime in school
- **Wednesday 16th December** – School Christmas Lunch
- **Thursday 17th December** – Christingle service in school
- **Thursday 17th December** – Last Day of Term – Early Finish 1.30pm – No After School Club
- **Friday 18th December** – Occasional Day – School Closed
- **Monday 4th January 2027** – Back to School

A reminder that our term dates can be found on our website on the following link: [St Nicholas CoE \(VA\) Primary School & Nursery - Term Dates](#)

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