

23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026***Our Value this half term is Forgiveness***

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

**Sporting Activities** Despite it being such a wet week, Years 5 and 6 have enjoyed the second of their 4 week *Touch Rugby* programme today. Year 1 also enjoyed the first of two *Commonwealth Champions* sessions with Stevenage Sporting Futures.

**Safer Internet Day** Everyone's talking about AI, and with many children and young people hearing about and using AI online, it's important they have the skills and confidence to make safe choices when they are using smart technology. So we are exploring the impact of AI on all of our lives, looking at how AI can be used for good, and hoping to empower people to use AI safely and responsibly. **We would love you to join us at 3.30pm in the hall after school on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February** to help us all make difference to our young peoples' futures. There will be a short presentation and discussion based on this year's theme of '**Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI**'.

**Safety Online Simplified 18**

**Thinking of purchasing a new device?** As the festive season approaches you may be considering purchasing new or upgraded devices, so it's important to consider how you will set up those devices with parental controls in relation to the age of the child. Internet Matters covers all devices with very simple, easy-to-understand parental guides, which you can find [here](#).

They also have some good console advice buying tips [here](#).

**Nursery applications** are still open for September 2026. Please see this page on our website for details: [St Nicholas CoE \(VA\) Primary School & Nursery - Admissions \(stnicholas120.herts.sch.uk\)](#)

**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 ***Curiosity***. Congratulations to:

**Reception:** Layton; **Y1:** Kalleigh-Raye; **Y2:** Alfonso; **Y3:** Amalia & Hubert; **Y4:** Joseph; **Y5:** Ciara; **Y6:** Albert.

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

**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:	2677
St Clare:	2424
St Catherine:	2312
St Francis:	2285

**Diary Dates**

- **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February** – APDR meetings after school
- **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February** – Safer Internet Day
- **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February** – 3:30pm Safer Internet Day Parent and Carer presentation and discussion in the hall
- **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February** – Parent and Carer Consultation Evening
- **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February** – Parent and Carer Consultation Evening
- **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February** – Half Term
- **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March** – Last Day of Term – Early finish 1:30pm
- **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April** – Back to School

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

*Have a great weekend! Mrs Collins*

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*"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*



# St Nicholas Primary School and Nursery

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## Nursery Admissions September 2026

**30 hours Nursery provision available (subject to entitlement)**

### School Tour Dates are available

We would like to invite all prospective parents to join us for a tour of our wonderful school. This is an ideal opportunity to see our whole school in action and to ask any questions you may have.

Please call the school office on 01438 352706 for any further information and to book a space on one of our tours.

Application forms can be found on our [website](#).



Generosity, Perseverance, Trust, Respect, Friendship, Courage, Compassion, Thankfulness, Forgiveness, Service