



St Nicholas CE Primary School

Newsletter December 2023

Exploring Possibilities Together
'With God all things are possible' Matthew 19 v26



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 4 December—Christmas Jumper & Decoration Day
- 6 December—R, Year 1 & 2 Nativity Dress Rehearsal
- 7 December—SEND Parent Consultations
- 7 December—9.15 am Year 4 Ukulele Performance for Parents
- 7 December—5.00 pm R, Year 1 & 2 Nativity Performance
- 8 December—2.00 pm R, Year 1 & 2 Nativity Performance
- 11 December—4.00 pm Ash Class Nativity Performance
- 13 December—PTFA Christmas Party & Local Food Links Christmas Lunch *** **Children to come to school in their party clothes** ***
- 15 December—8.50 am End of Term Service at the Church
- 15 December—School closes at 1.30 pm



- 2 January 24—Inset Training Day—Children not in School
- 3 January—First day back Spring Term 2024
- 11 January—Oaks Class visit Bovington Tank Museum
- 22 January—Reception Vision Screening
- 25 January—4.00 pm Governors Meeting

Parking outside the School

**Please do not
park on the
ZIG-ZAGS**

Please could we once again remind everyone **not to park** on the zig zag lines directly outside the school, especially at pick up and drop off times.

It is illegal to park on these lines and by doing so it is obstructing people's vision both in cars and as pedestrians at a very busy junction.

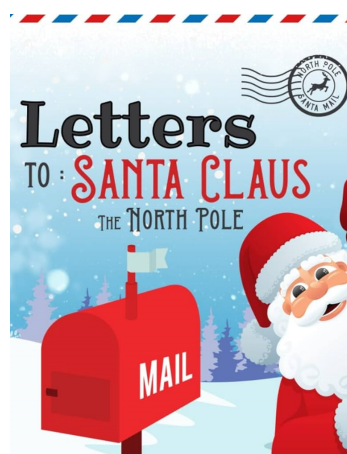
Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

It is hard to believe that we are nearly at the end of the Autumn term already. Time seems to have gone so fast. There is much excitement in school especially at this time of year. It is lovely to hear around school the sound of the children singing various different songs for their Nativities. I know that there has been a lot of practising at home and costumes to find, so thank you for your support. Please look at the Dates for your Diary section to find details of the different performances.

Next week, on Wednesday we have Christmas Lunch and party in the afternoon to look forward too, with special thanks to the PTFA for buying everyone's lunch. Then on Friday we start the day up at Church with a service and then walk back to school. Please join us at Church if you can.

Finally, I'd like to thank you for all your support this year. I hope that you and your family have a lovely Christmas.



Letters to Santa

for
Reception, Year 1, 2 & 3
Don't forget to post your
letters to Santa in the
mailbox in Reception by

7 December



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Curiosity



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Nativity Performances this year ...

Reception, Year 1 & 2 are performing two performances, one on the 7th December and the other on the 8th December of 'Mary's Knitting' which is a wonderful nativity play about a busy mother who is knitting away as she waits for her son, the baby Jesus to be born.

Ash Class are performing on 11th December 'Christmas with the Aliens'. The traditional Christmas story is retold to some alien visitors who become stranded on earth and meet a group of school children rehearsing their Christmas Play.

All the children have been practising hard and I'm sure they will put on a marvellous show! We would like to thank everyone for helping with costumes, practising lines etc.



End of Term Service - 15 December 2023



Our End of Term Service will be held in St Nicholas Church in the village on Friday, 15 December. Parents should drop their children off at the church at 8.45 am—there will be members of staff there to greet them. Those children who are booked in the The Raft Breakfast Club will be walked to school by school staff. Parents are welcome to join us at the Church if they would like.

School Closes at 1.30 pm—15 December 2023



Children should be collected from school at 1.30 pm on Friday, 15 December. If your child is booked into the The Raft After School Club they can remain in school

Child Protection



Our Designated Safeguarding Lead in school is Ms Jill Watson (Headteacher). Mrs Belinda Bolar and Mrs Sarah Salisbury are our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads. If you have any concerns related to child protection issues please contact them through the school office.



SEND Parent Consultations Thursday, 7 December 2023 (apart from Year 6)

We still have slots available on Thursday. Please contact the office to make an appointment. Thank you.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE AT ST NICHOLAS PRIMARY—BECOME A GOVERNOR!

We are looking for new governors to join our governing body. Governors support and challenge our school's leaders, to make sure St Nicholas Primary seeks to provide an all-inclusive environment where all children achieve their potential by 'exploring possibilities together'.

Governors come from all walks of life. There's no need to have a professional background in education, just a desire to give back to your community.

Governors are volunteers; they meet 4 times a year and also spend time in school to see how things are run.

Please ask at the school office for more information.



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