



Message from Mrs Crouch

What a busy week it has been! On Monday evening, Ben and Grace shared all the fantastic activities the School Council has been involved in this year and explained how they listen to suggestions from pupils to help improve school life during the governors meeting. The governors were extremely impressed with their confidence, maturity and the pride they showed in representing the school.

As part of the Garnet class Transport topic, Garnet Class were delighted to welcome two pilots into school this week. They shared how air travel has developed over time and talked about the many different roles involved in keeping passengers safe. The children were fascinated and asked brilliant questions throughout.

To celebrate World Make Music Day, we were also treated to a fantastic performance from a Year 9 band. The group included saxophone, drums, trumpet, piano, keyboard and bass. They performed a lively jazz fusion piece with moments of improvisation, and musicians from Sir John Lawes spoke about what they enjoy most about playing their instruments. The children absolutely loved the performance and left the hall dancing.



A huge thank you to everyone for coping so well during the heatwave. Your support is always appreciated.

Core Values



Kindness



Perseverance



Hope



Responsibility

Upcoming Events

District Sports - Reserve Date Tuesday 30th June

District sports event, where 16 local schools compete. Parents of the athletes are invited to come and support our athletes at Sir John Lawes on Tuesday 30th June from 3.30pm onwards. The estimated finishing time is 7.15pm.

Dates

30th Jun— District Sports at SJL

1st Jul— 9.30am—10.30am Reception induction session 1

1st Jul—KS1 Music Festival at Wood End School 12.30pm

2nd Jul—Celebration Afternoon 3.30—4.30pm & 5.30—6.30pm

3rd Jul—KS1 Piano Performance—School Hall 10am

4th July—St Nicholas PTA Summer Ball 7pm-Midnight

7th Jul—KS1 Drama 4 All Workshop

8th Jul—Jump for Joy pm

9th Jul—Class Transition Session 1

9th Jul—11.45am-12.50pm— Reception induction session 2

10th Jul—PTA AGM at Cornelia's Café 1pm

14th Jul—Class Transition Session 2

15th Jul—Diamond Class Production 6pm

16th-17th Jul—Year 5 Burwell House Residential Trip

17th Jul—KS2 Piano Performance—St Nicholas Church 5pm

22nd Jul—End of Term Service—all classes attending Church 9.05am

22nd Jul—Last day of Term—School finishes at 1.15pm

23rd Jul—Inset Day—School Closed— No children attending

<https://www.stnicholasce.org/diary/>

This half term we are learning about:

Truthfulness

As we lovingly speak the truth, we will grow up completely in our relationship to Christ, who is the head.

Ephesians 4:15



Garnet Class Pilots Visit:

This week, Garnet class were lucky enough to be visited by two pilots. Mr Gilbert (Olivia's Dad) and Mr Lakatos (Olivia's Grandad) who are both pilots and they came in to talk to us about their jobs and the planes they have flown. We got to see what a pilot carries in his bag and even got to try on a captain's hat.

Garnet have been learning about transport this term and read a book this week about the Wright brothers, who were the first people to invent an aeroplane.



Awards: Stars of the week:

Diamond: Eva for being kind and helping everyone around her. Oscar for learning responsibly.



Sapphire: Grace for her excellent use of speech in her story and punctuation. Lilly for working hard on her decimal skills.

Emerald: Emerald class for working hard and being fantastic through this heat wave.

Topaz: Caleb for achieving his writing target—using spaces between words. Vivie for achieving her writing target—using clear descenders.

Garnet: Alex for working hard on his letter formation. Annie for her excellent writing using capital letters, full stops and because.

Prayer

Loving Saviour,

Thank you for the opportunity we have in this nation to compete and use our talents through sports.

Show us opportunities to build each other up, spiritually, emotionally and physically.

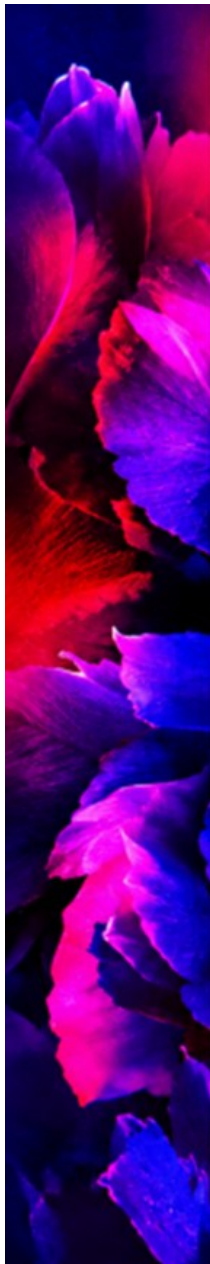
Put it on our hearts to give our best and treat each other with the utmost respect.

We pray in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen



St Nicholas PTA Summer Ball Raffle Prizes:



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- 1 hour 1:1 Design Consultation with Higgildy House
- 6 week voucher from Marchon Gym
- 1 month of classes with Little Kickers and registration to include Kit (RRP:£63)
- Three month gym membership to Fitt41
- £109 Voucher from Visage Dental
- 3 days of holiday club at FizzBugs
- Half Term pass for My (After School) Art Club (RRP:£60)
- £20 Voucher for Threads
- £30 voucher for Beats School Uniforms
- Bottle of Champagne donated by Rachael de los Reyes-Churchill
- £20 Voucher for Bar Azita
- One week holiday camp from Team Horizon
- Blow Dry voucher at Dickens Hair
- £30 Voucher from COOK Harpenden
- Holiday Camp voucher with Kings Football (RRP:£60)
- 1/2 Day Holiday Camp with Little Gym
- £50 Voucher from Lussmanns
- A selection of prizes donated by Mandarin Stone
- 1 hour massage with NB Health
- X2 £30 vouchers from Penny Waterman School of Dance
- Two tickets for Ice Skating at Somerset House
- Voucher from Stephanie Randall Florist
- 1 Hour Sports and Deep Tissue Massage from Sporting Hands Massage
- £35 voucher from My Little Kitchen Bakery
- Box of individual cakes from The Harpenden Cake Shed
- Prizes from Milehams Car Parts

Thank you to Whittaker & Co for sponsoring this year's event



Raffle tickets will be available for sale in the playground on Friday 19th and Monday 29th June (at pick up).

If you are unable to make those dates, please use the Collectiv link: <https://pay.collectiv.com/school-ball-raffle-tickets-9325>. **Raffle tickets are £2 per ticket or £10 for a strip.**

“Jump for Joy” Sponsored Fundraiser St Nicholas PTA:



The poster features a vibrant illustration of diverse children jumping joyfully on a green hill. In the background, there are two logos: a green shield with a cross and 'C of E' on the left, and a circular logo with a rainbow and 'Jump for Joy' on the right. A large gold medal with a star is prominently displayed in the upper right. The text 'JUMP FOR JOY' is written in large, bold, pink letters. Below it, the date '8 July 2026 (afternoon)' is shown in black. To the right, the text 'A Sponsored Fundraising Activity with St Nicholas School PTA' is written in pink. At the bottom, it says 'Part of of National Schools Sports Week' in pink. A QR code is located in the bottom right corner. A pink banner at the very bottom contains the sponsorship information.

JUMP FOR JOY

8 July 2026
(afternoon)

A Sponsored Fundraising Activity with
St Nicholas School
PTA

Part of of National Schools Sports Week

Sponsor here: <https://pay.collctiv.com/jump-for-joy-challenge-28968>
or in cash in a named envelope in the PTA Postbox

Please see the link below for if you would like to sponsor and donate online:

<https://pay.collctiv.com/jump-for-joy-challenge-28968>