



Message from Mrs Crouch

Thank you to all the parents and carers who came along to our Year 1–6 class briefings this week. We were very impressed by the strong attendance and really appreciate the time you took to join us. These meetings are an important opportunity to hear the key messages for the year and term ahead and to find out more about what your children will be learning. We also shared how important it is to find time to read with your children and practise times tables.

Staff also shared how we will support children to develop their learning-to-learn skills.



To support children's wellbeing, parents are welcome to share any changes in circumstances or seek clarification from class teachers. If the class team knows what is happening, they can provide the right support. We know that a happy child is a child who can learn.



Core Values



Upcoming Events

School Council Elections

Elections take place twice in the academic year to provide maximum opportunities for children. If children wish to stand for election, they can prepare a short speech at home. The elections will take place W/c 21st September.

Harvest Service

Parents are invited to the Harvest Service in St Nicholas church at 9.05am on Tuesday 29th September.

Dates

19th Sept—PTA Welcome back Family Picnic 1pm-3pm

W/C 21st Sept – School Council Elections

22nd Sept—Flu Vaccinations

24th Sept—Year 6 Girls Football Match at Markyate Primary School 3.30pm

29th Sept—Harvest service 9.05am St Nicholas Church

29th Sept—Year 6 Girls Football Match at The Lea Primary School 3.30pm

30th Sept – Individual School Photo's

3rd Oct – Open Day for Reception Intake September 2027 10am

7th Oct—Open Day for Reception Intake September 2027 9.30am

20th Oct—Parents Evening 3.15pm—6pm

22nd Oct—Parents Evening 3.15pm—7.30pm

23rd Oct—INSET Day—School Closed no Children attending

26th—30th Oct—Half Term

2nd Nov—Children return to School wearing Winter Uniform

<https://www.stnicholasce.org/diary/grid/2025/01/>

This half term we are learning about: Generosity

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7



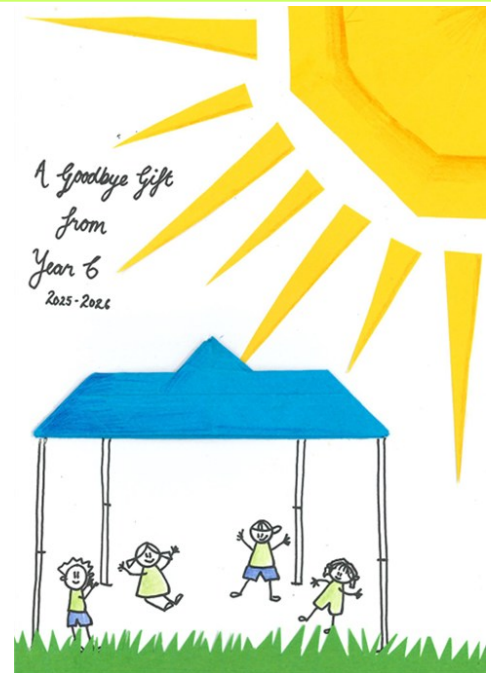
Whole School News:

Thank you to the very generous Year 6 Leavers 2026 for their kind gift. Mr Price was particularly impressed with how light and durable the gazebo is.

We are very grateful, as it will come in handy in the playground and at sports fixtures.



A special thank you to all the families who contributed. Another special thank you to the Churchill and Curtis families for their research and for organising everything.



Awards: Stars of the week:

Diamond: Charlotte for using 'mark making' well, to depict movement, in Art. Grace for good use of new vocabulary learnt in English e.g. The cottage **bristled** with emerald green ivy.



Sapphire: Eliana for excellent use of abstract nouns in her story to create feelings of loneliness and a sad atmosphere. Archie for his excellent use of concrete and abstract nouns in his writing to create atmosphere and make readers feel truly present within the scene.

Emerald: Caleb for using brilliant vocabulary in English. Lilo for thinking carefully about the emotional vocabulary of the character in her writing.

Topaz: Annie for being an excellent role model to the children in our class. Oscar F for consistently trying his best in English and Maths.

Garnet: Reception children for settling in and having a good first full week. Year One for embracing their learning passports.

Prayer

Father God we thank you for your generosity.
We thank you now for all the blessings you give us daily.
Thank you for all those people in our country who gives generously to different charities.
Teach us God to be generous following your example.
Help us give our time, words, energy, love and possessions with a cheerful and generous heart.
Amen



St Nicholas PTA Welcome Back Picnic:

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Welcome Back Picnic is approaching! If you haven't booked yet, please see below for details and scan the QR code (or click on the Collective link) to let us know you'll be joining us.

There will be a BBQ, a cake stall (please bring cash), games, and an opportunity to meet new St Nicholas parents and children.

Please bring your own picnic, garden chairs and/or picnic blankets.

And please keep your fingers crossed for no rain on the day!

Link to pay: <https://pay.collectiv.com/welcome-back-picnic-44279>

Let us know how many children and adults will be attending here:

<https://forms.gle/vmiK3W87nX97qSiQ7>

We look forward to seeing you there!

