



St Nicholas eBulletin

Issue 7

Thursday 22nd October 2026

Message from Mrs Crouch

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended Parents' Evening this week. We appreciate your support. It was a great opportunity to share how well the children have settled into their new classes, celebrate what they have already achieved, and discuss how we can work together to support both their well-being and educational progress.

During worship sessions, we have focused on how we can show generosity through our time, donations and words of encouragement. We saw generosity in action through our Friendship Boxes for Ukraine project. Thank you for all the thoughtful gifts, which the children will enjoy and appreciate.



As we reach the end of this first half term, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a fabulous autumn break. We look forward to seeing the children return on Monday 2nd November, rested and ready for the second half of the term.

Upcoming Events

Winter Uniform

As the seasons are changing, we are sending out a reminder that children will be expected to wear the winter school uniform after half term. For further details, please see the uniform list on the school website.

[School Uniform Policy](#)

All Saints Day Monday 2nd November

To celebrate this significant day, children are allowed to wear a t-shirt in their house colours. If you are unsure of your child's house colours, please see the below list.

St Andrew	Blue
St David	Yellow
St George	Red
St Patrick	Green

Dates

23rd Oct—INSET Day—School Closed no Children attending
26th—30th Oct—Half Term

2nd Nov—Children return to School wearing Winter Uniform

2nd Nov—All Saints Day—Children to wear house coloured t-shirts

4th Nov—Diamond Class Silverstone Museum visit

5th Nov—Harpenden District Sports Association Yr 5/6

Girls Football Tournament at The Grove Junior School

9am

11th Nov—Year 5/6 Harpenden District Cross Country

Championship at The Wheathampstead Wanderers Ground

at 1pm

13th Nov—Diamond class assembly 9.05am

16th Nov—Odd Socks Day and Anti-bullying week

W/c 16th Nov—Year 5 Bike Ability Week

16th Nov—Diamond Class last swimming lesson

19th Nov—Sapphire Class last swimming lesson

20th Nov—Year 5/6 Boys Football Match at The Grove Primary School 3.30pm

21st Nov—St Nicholas PTA Christmas Fair

25th Nov—Open Day for Reception Intake September 2027

9.30am

2nd Dec—Rotary Carol Service—7pm

4th Dec—KS 2 Piano Recital at St Nicholas Church 5-6pm

7th Dec—Emerald, Sapphire and Diamond class Carol

Service at St Nicholas Church 6pm

9th Dec—Nativity performance to Garnet class parents

9.05am

10th Dec—Nativity performance to Topaz class parents

9.05am

11th Dec—Talent Show 1pm

16th Dec—KS1 Piano Recital at St Nicholas School 10-

10.45am

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

Core Values



Kindness



Perseverance



Hope



Responsibility

This half term we are learning about:

Generosity

Seeds of Gratitude
will grow into a lifelong
harvest of thankfulness and
generosity.



Garnet Class Self Portraits:

In Garnet class, we read the book "Our Class is a Family" and we discussed the importance for everyone to feel safe and included in the classroom. We then made a display together that showed that everyone in garnet class belongs.



Awards: Stars of the week:

Diamond: Amelia D M for good use of a question tag to focus her reader in English. Margot for excellent use of speech to convey the characteristics of a character.



Sapphire: Finley and Samuel for working hard on their letter and using steps to success.

Emerald: Evie for setting a good example with her focus and hard work at all times. Ollie for his focus and engagement during our geography field work in Harpenden.

Topaz: Ivy for being really helpful and helping to tidy up the classroom after busy time this week. Lydia for writing a lovely rainbow poem with great adjectives

Garnet: Freddie for creating a detailed version of the story The Tiger who came to tea. Kevin for persevering and working hard with his name writing. We are proud of you!

Prayer

Dear God,
We ask for a generous heart.
Help us to give freely of our time, resources,
and love to those in need.
Let us see the opportunities around us to make a difference.
May our generosity be a reflection of your love and kindness.
Amen





CHRISTMAS FAIR

DONATIONS NEEDED!

With half term on the horizon, now is a good time to have a clear out and send any of your unwanted items to the PTA for our Christmas Fair stalls!

It's a great opportunity to have a clearout before Christmas!





FROM
TUESDAY
10TH NOVEMBER

Donations (except toys) can be brought to the **Jade Room** from **Tuesday 10th November** (at school drop off and pick up only).



Toy donations can be brought in from **16th November**.



Please bag up donations for each stall separately and label them clearly.
All items should be clean, washed and in good condition.

TEDDY TOMBOLA



Donations of teddies and cuddly toys wanted, ready to be loved again.

Please give them a wash before donating!

CHRISTMAS JUMPERS & PARTY CLOTHES



Pre-loved Christmas jumpers and party clothes. Donations of any size, from baby to adult.

BOTTLE TOMBOLA



Always a hit!
We need bottles of wine, beer and soft drinks.

Children can come to school in non-uniform on **FRIDAY 20TH NOV** in exchange for a bottle.

CHILDREN'S TOMBOLA



Lots of little prizes suitable for children, e.g. juice cartons, crisps, bubble bath, sweets, small toys, art supplies etc.

CHRISTMAS CRAFTS



Handmade donations: craft items, jewellery, cards, tree decorations, needlework, candles, stockings, jams, chutneys, treats and homemade goodies.

Recycled materials welcomed!

BAKED GOODS



If you love baking and excel at making sweet treats please donate these on **FRIDAY 20TH NOV.**

All ingredients must be listed and no nuts.

TOYS & GAMES



Good quality, clean toys, games and puzzles.

- Ensure games and jigsaws are complete
- Firmly fastened so we don't lose pieces
- Please consider giving smaller party bag toys to the Children's Tombola and cuddly toys direct to the Teddy Tombola.

GIFT ROOM



Unwanted gifts that are unused and in very good condition, e.g. candles & home fragrance, festive crockery, unopened soaps, hand washes, bath bombs, hand creams, body lotions and unopened gift sets.



PLEASE REMEMBER
WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL AND CANNOT ACCEPT CHOCOLATE DONATIONS WHICH SAY 'MAY CONTAIN NUTS'.



CONTACT US
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Many thanks for all your help!

The Fair relies enormously on the generosity of donations, so please do give what you can.