



## Message from Mrs Crouch

We were incredibly proud of Sapphire class for delivering such a confident and engaging assembly this week. Sharing brilliant learning in art, computing, maths, English and history. Children shared their work with confidence and clarity. Their enthusiastic delivery of each song filled the room with energy and joy.

Thank you to the Sapphire team who supported the children to prepare and produce such a successful presentation.

We would like to thank all parents who attended the recent PTA meeting. The PTA plays a vital role in bridging the gap between what schools are funded to provide and what our children truly deserve. Many essential resources and enriching experiences fall outside tight budgets, and the PTA's fundraising helps supply valuable additions such as books, equipment, technology, and improvements to shared spaces. Recent contributions include play equipment, class resources, and musical instruments, and the current priority is to fund 20 laptops for pupils. The PTA is strongest when the whole community is involved, and even small contributions of time, skills, or ideas make a meaningful difference. Currently, we warmly encourage parents to support the PTA by volunteering for the following roles: committee members, including PTA Chair, Treasurer, and Deputy Treasurer. Every contribution made by families directly enriches the educational experience of every child at St Nicholas.



### Core Values



Kindness Perseverance Hope Responsibility

### Upcoming Events:

#### Children's Mental Health Week

The theme this year is 'This is My Place', which will focus on supporting the systems around children and young people to help them feel that they belong. Children may wear non-uniform on Friday 13th February to celebrate their uniqueness.



### Dates

- W/C 9th Feb—Children's Wellbeing Week
  - 9th Feb—Year 5/6 Football Match at St Dominic's School 3.30pm
  - 9th Feb—Year 6 Home Netball Match playing Beech Hyde 3.30pm**
  - 10th Feb—Safer Internet Day
  - 10th & 12th Feb—Parent Consultations
  - 10th Feb—Year 5 Netball Match at St Hilda's School 3.45pm**
  - 12th Feb—Topaz Class Assembly 9.05am
  - 12th Feb—Tag Rugby Tournament at Harpenden Rugby Football Club 11.20am**
  - 13th Feb—Non-uniform Day**
  - 13th Feb—PTA 'Love Yourself Day'
  - 16th—20th Feb—Spring Half Term
  - 25th Feb—KS1 & KS2 Reading Workshop 9.05am
  - 10th Mar—Emerald Class Visit Kew Gardens
  - 6th Mar—PTA World Book Day
  - 20th Mar—PTA Parent Event (Sapphire Class)
  - 27th—End of Term Church Service—All classes attending—9.05am**
  - 27th Mar— Last day of term—School finishes at 1.15pm**
  - 13th Apr—Summer Term begins—Children return to school in Summer uniform**
- <https://www.stnicholasce.org/diary/grid/2025/01/>

### This half term we are learning about:

**Perseverance**



## Garnet Class News:



Garnet class have worked hard to create polar animals out of clay.

This week they have painted their artwork.



## Awards: Stars of the week:



**Diamond:** Max for being a great team player in PE and encouraging friends. Thalia for trying really hard and persevering to improve her writing.

**Sapphire:** Cecilia for using advanced vocabulary in her report. Freddie for working hard in Maths and noticing patterns in numbers that make division easier.

**Emerald:** Indigo for creating an amazing foil figure in Art. Zidan for good use of adjectives to encourage the reader.

**Topaz:** Spencer for his excellent focus in lessons and working hard. Vivie for always following instructions.

**Garnet:** Freddie H-L for making great progress with his letter formation and writing. Oscar for making excellent contributions in our science lesson about Fish and Amphibians.

## Prayer

Holy Spirit,  
Help us to live like Jesus,  
Just as Jesus helped people in need,  
Help us to do kind and good things for others.  
Just as Jesus included those who were left out,  
Help us to ask people to join in our games.  
Just as Jesus forgave people who had made the wrong choices,  
Help us to be quick to forgive.  
Amen

Persevere  
with  
Kindness

## PTA Lunar New Year:

We'd like to say a big thank you to Vivian and all of the parents who helped organise our Lunar New Year event yesterday for the PTA. It was a truly lovely event, all the children had fun and it was nice to celebrate the start of the Year of the Horse together!

Children enjoyed games with sweets & fortune cookies to win. Crafts, Chinese Zodiac fun & name writing and a little lantern gift.

May the Year of the Horse bring everyone lots of joy, good health and progress



Thank you to everyone who helped make this happen



Whilst primarily a community event it also helped to raise over £100 for the PTA

