



# St Nicholas eBulletin

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## Message from Mrs Crouch

What a lovely start to the term. We were delighted to welcome everyone back after the Easter break. The children have returned excited and enthusiastic to continue with their learning.

During our collective worship sessions, we explored the concept of service and how Jesus demonstrated this value through his actions and teachings. The children were also encouraged to reflect on how they could live out this value in their own lives, both at home and at school.

Service is ...

- Spending time on others
- Enjoying giving help
- Responsibility in action
- Volunteering willingly
- I second, you first
- Committing to a task
- Everyone offering their talents and gifts



Sharing information in a timely manner ensures that staff are able to support the children effectively. For this reason, we kindly request that parents share any relevant information in advance regarding:

- Medical appointments
- Changes to collection arrangements: If your child will be collected by another parent or family member, please provide the details at least 24 hours in advance to prevent any delay in your child being allowed to leave the school premises.

We appreciate your continued support in this matter, as it enables us to fulfil our safeguarding duty of care.

With the flowers blooming in the school garden, we look forward to a splendid Summer term!

### Core Values



### Upcoming Events:

#### Polling Day—7th May

Children will need to bring a packed lunch on Thursday 7th May as the Church hall will be in use for voting.

### Rotary in Harpenden:

Thank you to the Rotary in Harpenden for their kind donation towards new books for the school.

### Dates

- 20th Apr—Topaz Class visiting St Albans Cathedral
  - 22nd Apr—Sapphire Class trip to The British Museum
  - 23rd Apr—Garnet Class Swimming lessons begin 9am
  - 29th Apr—Year 3/4 Football Match at Roundwood Park School 3.30pm
  - 30th Apr—Harpenden & District Chess Tournament at Crabtree School 1.30pm**
  - 4th May—May Bank Holiday—School Closed—No children attending
  - 7th May—Church Kitchen and Hall being used for Polling Station—All children to bring a packed lunch**
  - W/c 11th May—Year 6 SATS Week
  - 12th May—Garnet Class visiting Harpenden Fire Station am**
  - 22nd May—Sports Day
  - 25th –29th May—Half Term
  - 1st-3rd Jun—Year 6 PGL
  - 5th Jun—Inset Day—School Closed—No children attending
  - 26th Jun—PTA School Disco**
  - 4th July—St Nicholas PTA Summer Ball 7pm-Midnight
  - 16th-17th Jul—Year 5 Burwell House Residential Trip
- <https://www.stnicholasce.org/diary/grid/2025/01/>

### This half term we are learning about:

#### Service



### Sapphire Class News:

This week, Sapphire class started a new art topic: Sculpture. We have been looking at the work of ceramic artist Magdalene Odundo OBE and discussing the shapes and patterns in her clay pots.

The children used chalk and sugar paper to sketch their own pot designs. They practised shading to make their drawings look 3D.

Artists: Stefan and Alex H



### Awards: Stars of the week:

**Diamond:** Charlie for his excellent teamwork in P.E. Olivia for being a kind and patient member of Diamond Class.



**Sapphire:** Nicholas and Riley for their outstanding creativity and effort in writing a letter about a day out with one of the Greek Gods.

**Emerald:** Eliana for a well thought out plan for her speech in English. Sam for showing a good understanding of fractions in Maths.

**Topaz:** Esme for her great engagement and perseverance across all subjects. Rupert for his enthusiasm and hard work when writing an account.

**Garnet:** Lily A for persevering with her handwriting and letter formation. Otilie for using her Phonics sounds to help spell words.

### Extra—Curricular Achievements:

**Diamond:** Congratulations to Jack for being awarded two trophy's at the end of year Rugby awards, the Players' player and the Coaches' player .



### Prayer

Father God,  
Help us to serve others with willing hands.  
With generous hearts and with kind words.  
Use our eyes and ears to notice how others serve us.  
In serving others in love, you showed us the way.  
Amen



St Nicholas School PTA Summer Ball:



ST NICHOLAS PTA  
PRESENTS  
**SUMMER  
BALL**  
*2026*

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**7PM - MIDNIGHT**

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