



Message from Mrs Crouch

At St Nicholas, we prioritise wellbeing and communication, as this enables us to provide the best possible support for the children in our care. To help us support your child's wellbeing and social development, we encourage parents to share any information or concerns (however small) with the class teacher. Please also make the teacher aware of any changes in family circumstances so that we can offer support where needed. Parents are welcome to speak to the teacher at the end of the day or, alternatively, make an appointment via the school office.

5 Ways To Wellbeing

At home, you can support wellbeing by thinking about what helps you and your family to 'recharge'.

This might include connecting with others,

spending time in nature, or taking part in a favourite hobby. You could even create a simple plan to help everyone take care of their mental health.



Mind Plan

<https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/>

Reinforcing the importance of gratitude is another powerful way to support the whole family's wellbeing. This can become part of a dinner time or bedtime routine - simply think of three things you are grateful for and end each day on a positive note.

<https://www.strong4life.com/en/emotional-wellness/coping/teaching-kids-how-to-be-grateful>

With the long weekend ahead, it's a wonderful opportunity to slow down, recharge, and focus on wellbeing. We hope you enjoy some restful time together as a family.

Core Values



Kindness Perseverance Hope Responsibility

Upcoming Events:

Sports Day— Friday 22nd May

We are looking forward to Sports Day on Friday 22nd May, when all classes will take part in fun sports activities. Children will need to wear a coloured t-shirt representing their house. 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

4th May— May Bank Holiday—School Closed—No children attending

6th May—Harpenden & District Year 3/4 Football Tournament at Sauncey Wood 1.30pm

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

18th May—PTA Meeting online 7.30pm

20th May—Garnet Class Assembly 9.10am

21st May—Summer Census Day— KS1 please order school lunch

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

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

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

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

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

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



Maths Tournament:

Congratulations to our Year 5 teams who took part in the Maths Tournament last week! It was a very competitive event, and the children thoroughly enjoyed the experience. A total of 40 teams from Harpenden and St Albans schools took part, and we are delighted that one of our teams placed in the top 10.

A huge well done to all of them for their hard work and perseverance!



Harpenden & District Chess Tournament:

On Thursday, the St Nicholas Chess team took part in the Harpenden & District Chess Tournament at Crabtree school along with 13 other schools. We did very well and came 9th overall and 3rd in the small schools.

We were very happy with the results. Teachers from other schools complimented us on our great sportsmanship.

We would like to thank Mr Price and Mrs Crouch for their great support.

Written by Zachary, Jude and Henry R



Sapphire Class The British Museum Trip:

Last week, Sapphire Class visited The British Museum. The children learned about the Parthenon, explored examples of ancient Greek architecture, and used technology to help reconstruct lost sculptures. It was a highly engaging and enjoyable learning experience for them.



Awards: Stars of the week:

Diamond: Lola for putting lots of effort into her learning and being responsible for it. Oliver for putting lots of effort in Maths and being excited about his learning.



Sapphire: Chidu and Luisa for their hard work in Geography and identifying many differences in the lives of ancient mega cities.

Emerald: Hugo for his excellent and improved presentation of his work. Olivia I for including capital letters and full stops in her writing.

Topaz: Alexander for working hard at his reading. Nikola for his great use of Maths language in class.

Garnet: Ivy for really trying hard to use her phonics in her writing. Lily B for her excellent independent writing.

Prayer

Lord,
Help us worship with humble hearts.
Let our songs, prayers, and service honour You above all.
May we recognise Your greatness and allow humility to guide,
our words and actions in this service.
Amen.



St Nicholas School PTA Summer Ball:

A vertical poster for the St Nicholas PTA Summer Ball 2026. The background is a vibrant, abstract image of flowers in shades of purple, blue, and red. The text is centered and framed by a glowing blue border. The text reads: 'ST NICHOLAS PTA PRESENTS SUMMER BALL 2026 4TH JULY BENNET'S, 21 LEYTON ROAD 7PM - MIDNIGHT BOOK NOW TICKETS INCLUDE A WELCOME DRINK, 3 COURSE MEAL, LIVE MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT TICKETS ARE £70 PER PERSON BOOK BY 5TH JUNE SPONSORED BY: Whittaker & Co'.

Booking Links:

Booking form: <https://forms.gle/BmFAz3isov97tEJu8>

FAQs: <https://shorturl.at/xFrHk>

Collectiv: <https://pay.collectiv.com/st-nics-summer-ball-64343>