



## Message from Mrs Crouch

Congratulations to our Year 3/4 football team, who played brilliantly during their matches. The team was a credit to the school in the way they persevered and conducted themselves throughout the football rally. Thank you to Mr Price for encouraging the team and supporting them to do their best.



We endeavour to be a healthy school, teaching the children about how to make good choices for their health including what they eat and how this contributes to their wellbeing. At break time, children are encouraged to bring in a healthy snack, e.g. a piece of fruit or vegetables. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are provided with a daily piece of fruit or vegetable under the free fruit scheme for schools. We ask you not to send your child with sweets, chocolate or crisps. If you are looking for new or different lunchbox ideas, use the link below.

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>

Please remember that we have a strict no-nuts and no-peanuts policy due to allergies. With this in mind, we celebrate birthdays in school by wishing children a Happy Birthday in class, during whole school assembly, and by giving them a special badge to wear. We kindly ask that parents refrain from sending in birthday treats.



### Core Values



Kindness



Perseverance



Hope



Responsibility

### Upcoming Events:

#### Summer Census Day—Thursday 21st May

The Summer School Census Day is on Thursday 21st May. The money the school receive from the government to pay for the Infant schools' meals is based on an average of the number of meals taken on the census days in October, January and May. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are automatically eligible for free school meals. We would appreciate it if your child could have a school meal on this day.

### Dates

- 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
  - 20th May—Harpenden & District Year 3/4 Girls' Football Tournament at Sauncey Wood 1.30pm**
  - 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
  - 22nd Jul—End of Term Service—all classes attending Church 9.05am**
  - 22nd Jul—Last day of Term—School finishes at 1.15pm**
  - 23rd Jul—Inset Day—School Closed— No children attending**
- <https://www.stnicholasce.org/diary/grid/2025/01/>

### This half term we are learning about:

#### Service

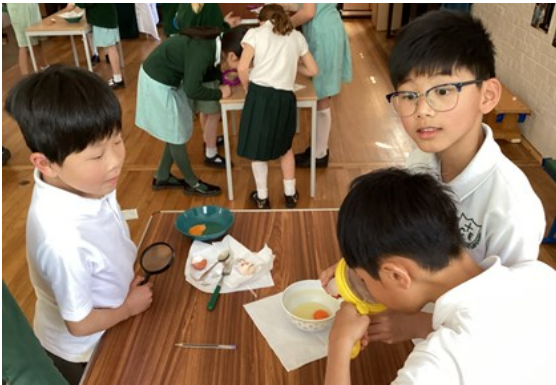


## Year 5 Science Lesson—Egg Dissection:

During our last Science lesson, we were looking at the life-cycles of Chickens. We were also dissecting eggs. Firstly, we examined the shell of the eggs with a magnifying glass. After we cracked the eggs open, we looked at the inside. The germinal disc, found in the yolk, is where the chick would start growing if the egg was fertilised.

Did you know that there are 2 layers in the egg white? Well this is what we found out in Science!

Written by Everly and Riley



## Awards: Stars of the week:

**Diamond:** Daisy for persevering and overcoming challenges. Eddie for upholding all the school values, showing kindness to others whilst challenging himself in all lessons.



**Sapphire:** Dash for his great contribution and progress in comprehension lessons. Louis for his consistent perseverance in Maths.

**Emerald:** Alexander, Gwynn and Oliver for instructing the class in programming and debugging an algorithm.

**Topaz:** Arthur for his excellent focus and contributions in reading lessons. Ollie for always challenging himself in Maths.

**Garnet:** Elijah for his fantastic writing using finger spaces and full stops. Lydia for working hard to use her phonics in her reading and writing.

## Good citizens Award:

**Emerald:** Olivia I for her acts of service to the class and classroom.

**Garnet:** Theo for holding the door open at swimming for a member of the public without being asked.



## Extra—Curricular Achievements:

**Sapphire:** Congratulations to Nicholas for completing his Grade 2 Piano Practical. Congratulations to Amelia for completing her Grade 3 Piano Practical.



## Prayer

Gracious God,  
Instil within me a heart of gratitude as I engage in acts of service.  
May my prayers be adorned with thankfulness for the privilege to serve.  
Let gratitude be the driving force behind my actions,  
acknowledging the abundance of Your blessings in my life.  
Amen



## St Nicholas PTA School Disco:



Booking Links:

Booking form and information  
<https://forms.gle/fu7KVvNcySJ62EjK7>

Collectiv link  
<https://pay.collectiv.com/school-disco-tickets-57820>

**St Nicholas School PTA Summer Ball:**



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

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