



The St Nicholas Post

27th April 2026



Dear All,

We're delighted to welcome everyone back to school and hope you had a restful Easter Break. How lovely to have had some really lovely, sunny days! It has been wonderful to see the children return with such enthusiasm and positivity. With the quickness of time, parents evening seems like so long ago but it truly was a lovely way to end the term. Thank you for showing up as you always do! It is such an important meeting in communicating to the children our shared efforts and partnership in helping them to reach their potential. The positive comments that filled every space was so uplifting and reminds us that, while the world can feel heavy, it's future is in good hands. These evenings provide a great time to share but please do not feel confined to this, we are happy to talk through any thoughts, questions or concerns at anytime. Working in partnership with you is very important to us, so that we make sure that every child is happy at school and is the very best they can be.

Mrs Kennedy

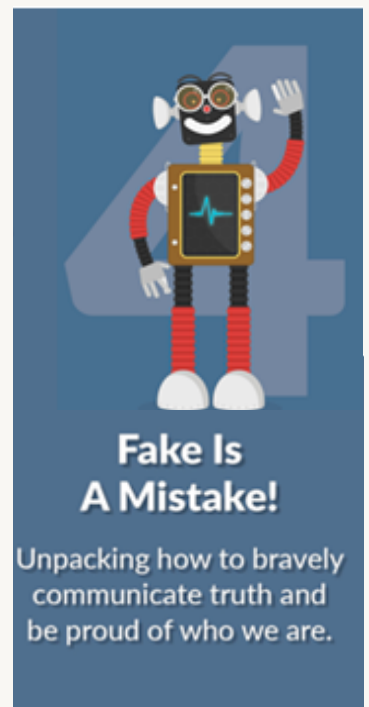
This Term's Heartsmart: Fake is a Mistake!

This term's PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education) topic is, 'Fake is a Mistake', and is linked to our Christian value 'Honesty'. The key theme is about being truthful and being proud of who we are. Understanding that being authentically ourselves is the best way to be. We strive to help children cultivate a strong sense of self-worth and self-identity. This journey is increasingly challenging in today's social media-driven environment, where comparisons are rife.

At St Nicholas we:

- **Admire and appreciate others qualities**
- **Admire and appreciate our own qualities**
- **Understand that it is good to have different qualities, because 'Team work makes the dream work!'**

Follow this [link](#) to the Heartsmart video all about 'Fake is a Mistake'



Easter Egg Colouring Competition

Well done to the winners of our Easter Egg Colouring Competition 2026:

Year R: Penny, Henry, Ada

Year 1: Raeya, Noah, Ella

Year 2: Lacie, Franklin, Isaac

Year 3: Ivy, Eli, Miley-Rose

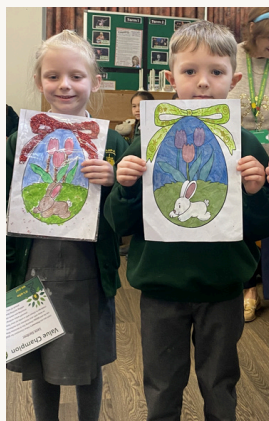
Year 4: Sebby, Evelyn, Nancy, Eleanor

Year 5: Iris, Ethan, Thea

Year 6: Jackson, Lara, Maisie



A big thank you to Mrs Eley, this iconic St Nicks Tradition is a much awaited moment in the school calendar by so many (124 children to be precise!) Thank you for going the egg-stra mile Mrs Eley - what a fabulous way to let children shine in their artistic element!



Sports Day

Our sports day will be taking place on **Friday 22nd May**.

The timings for the day will be:

Reception, Year 1 & Year 2: 10:30am - 11:30am

Whole School Activities (parent race, toddler race & tug of war): 11:30-12:00pm

Family Picnic: 12pm-1pm

Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6: 1pm-3pm

Please use Bell Meadow for parking as the village will be busy (depending on weather). Thank you.



Value Champions

Value Champion Maisie

Well done to Maisie who has shown tremendous courage, resilience and determination using the apparatus in Gymnastics, gaining grade 1—what a fabulous achievement!

She attends every week and always works super hard! Mum and Dad are very proud and so are we Maisie—keep it up!



It's who we are!



Value Champion Raeya

Well done to Raeya who has swum her way to a grade 2 certificate! What a fabulous achievement! It takes a lot of commitment and courage and we are all very proud of you. Just keep swimming (in the words of Dory!)

Keep up the fabulous work :)



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Life of Attendance Ted

Ted in Year 5 – back to school edition



Attendance Matters!

	Days lost this week	Overall attendance:
Buttercup	1 ½	98.7%
Bluebell	8 ½	94.3%
Primrose	3 ½	97.3%
Willow	5 ½	95.7%
Beech	5	96.7%
Acer	5	96.7%
Oak	8	94.8%

Well done Buttercup Class
You get Attendance Ted for a week!

Holidays 2026-2027

A gentle reminder that our INSET days have been scheduled together next academic year, meaning the school will be closed for an additional week alongside the May half-term. We hope this approach will help reduce the number of holidays taken during term time and, as a result, improve overall attendance. From September, penalty notices will be issued for any holidays taken during term time.

St Nicholas at Wade Church of England Primary School
A Place to Belong. A Place to Grow

Term Dates 2026-2027

Term 1	
1 st September	Start of term 1
23 rd October	End of term 1
Term 2	
2 nd November	Start of term 2
18 th December	End of term 2
Term 3	
4 th January	Start of term 3
12 th February	End of term 3
Term 4	
22 nd February	Start of term 4
25 th March	End of term 4
26 th March	Bank Holiday (School closed)
Term 5	
12 th April	Start of term 5
21 st May	End of term 5
3 rd May	Bank Holiday (School closed)
24 th May – 28 th May	INSET DAYS (School Closed)
Term 6	
7 th June	Start of term 6
21 st July	End of term 6 and School Year

Quicksticks Hockey

Well done to Lola, Lilah, Finn, Jack, Otis and Albert who took part in the Year 3 & 4 Quicksticks Hockey. They came 3rd out of 7 teams and showed wonderful determination and team spirit.



Another huge well done to Thomas, Amelia, Eva, Zachary, Ella and Theo who took part in the Year 5 & 6 Quicksticks Hockey. They showed St Nicks way in every game and we are super proud of them!.

Andy Goldsworthy Inspired Art

What fabulous nature artwork our Year 4 pupils created after being inspired by Andy Goldsworthy! Using natural materials such as leaves, stones, sticks, and flowers, the children explored texture, pattern, and form to produce their own stunning, transient masterpieces. Their creativity and attention to detail truly shone through, with each piece reflecting both the beauty of the natural world and their growing artistic confidence. Well done, Year 4, for bringing the outdoors to life in such imaginative ways!



A gentle reminder

A gentle reminder to all families that children should come to school without makeup, nail varnish, and jewellery (other than small, simple stud earrings).





A big thank you to Mr Shearman who made the St Nicholas school values sign for our new library box, what a fabulous addition



Scholastic Book Fair



A gentle reminder that the Scholastic book fair will be taking place **Monday 27th April** and **Tuesday 28th April** at 3:15pm in the school hall.

Buy 2 get one free!

We can take card payments.

Every book sold counts towards free books for our school library

Parking Plea



Please can we ask that you are mindful of the signs places on the corners of Bridges close. They were very generously donated to the school but would cost £100 each to replace. Also please remember to use the pub car parks and Bell Meadow to keep the roads clear too. We have really good relationships with our local residents and we want to keep that up.

Rock On Music Academy Spaces

We're excited to be continuing music lessons this term with Rock On Music Academy – there are currently limited number of spaces available!

Students can learn:

Drums Guitar Keyboard Vocals Bass

Our lessons are fun, engaging, & tailored to all abilities, whether your child is a complete beginner or already has some experience.

Taught by experienced, friendly tutors

Learn real songs and build confidence

Opportunities to perform and progress

If your child would like to get involved, you can sign up here:

<https://www.rockonmusicacademy.com/sign-up>

Key Dates

Key Dates—Term 5

Thurs 23 rd – Tues 28 th April	Scholastic Book Fair
Mon 27 th April	Year 1 Wildwood Trip
	Year 1 Football Festival
Mon 4 th May	Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 5 th May	Year 2 Monkton Nature Reserve Trip
Thurs 7 th May	Year 4 & 5 Football Festival
Mon 11 th – Fri 15 th May	KS2 SATS
Tues 12 th May	Year 3 Trip to Canterbury
Thurs 14 th May	Year 5 PESE Meeting
Fri 15 th May	PTFA School Discos PTFA 100 Club Draw
Mon 18 th May – Fri 22 nd May	Rotary Art Exhibition Week
	Walk to School Week
Thurs 21 st May	Year 6 Residential Parent Meeting
Fri 22 nd May	Sports Day
	End of Term 5

Key Dates—Term 6

Mon 1 st & Tues 2 nd June	INSET DAYS- School Closed
Weds 3 rd June	Start of Term 6
Thurs 4 th June	Rabbi Cliff visiting to see Year 1 & Year 6
Fri 5 th June	PTFA Father's Day Shop
8 th – 12 th June	Year 6 Residential
Weds 10 th June	Reception Monkton Nature Reserve Trip
Thurs 11 th June	Year 5 STEAM Day at Chatham & Clarendon
16 th – 19 th June	Year 6 Bikeability
Weds 17 th June	New Intake Parents Evening
Tues 23 rd June	Year 6 Transition Workshop with Emotional Wellbeing Team
Weds 24 th June	New Intake Teddy Bears Picnic
	Year 6 Bikeability
Thurs 25 th June	Year 5 Monkton Nature Reserve Trip
Thurs 2 nd July	Transition Day
Fri 3 rd July	PTFA Summer Fair
Thurs 8 th July	Spirituality Day
	Year 6 Production- 6pm
Fri 10 th July	PTFA 100 Club Draw
Mon 13 th July	School Reports Home
Tues 14 th July	Year 3 Monkton Nature Reserve Trip
	Open Classrooms
Thurs 16 th July	Music Recital
Fri 17 th July	Year 6 Leavers Service
Fri 17 th July	End of Term 6 – 2pm Finish

Courage, Resilience, Honesty, Kindness, Be the Best you Can Be