



The St Nicholas Post

17th July 2026



Dear All,

As we reach the end of another wonderful school year, it's hard to believe how quickly the months have flown by. Looking back, we have so much to celebrate. From exciting learning experiences and memorable trips to sporting successes, performances, celebrations, and everyday moments of kindness, this year has been filled with opportunities for our children to learn, grow, and shine.

One of the highlights of the year was welcoming our SIAMS inspection. We were delighted that the inspection recognised the caring, inclusive and nurturing community that makes St Nicholas-at-Wade such a special place. It was wonderful to see our shared vision and values reflected so positively, celebrating the dedication of our staff, the enthusiasm of our pupils, and the strong partnerships we have with our families.

As always, our sincere thanks go to all of our parents and carers for your unwavering support throughout the year. Working together enables our children to flourish, and we are incredibly grateful for the encouragement, trust and kindness you show every day.

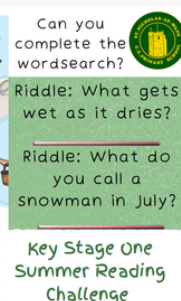
Have a lovely summer, we look forward to seeing you back in September :)

Mrs Kennedy

Music Recital

A huge well done to all of the children who took part in the music recital, we had children play a variety of instruments such as piano and drums and our lovely choir singing. It was a lovely performance and you all sang and played incredibly. Also, a huge thank you to Mrs Palmer for running and organising this special event!





NAME POSTCARD Write a postcard telling us about your favourite summer.		CLASS: Enjoy the sun shining and nature in full bloom as you colour these insects. 
To: Mr & Ms Pinks 22 Rockley Primary School Burnt Norton Road 22 Rockley St North Birmingham CV1 1PQ		



NAME _____ Summer Holiday Code Breaker NAME _____

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CLASS _____

Summer Holiday Code Breaker

Use the numbers below to solve the code. Remember to write the numbers without zeros.



What time do you get up in the morning?



What time do you get up on the weekend?



At what time do you go to school every day?

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Place Value Code Breaker

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1. In my number _____, _____ is in the _____ place.

2. In my number _____, _____ is in the _____ place.

3. In my number _____, _____ is in the _____ place.

4. In my number _____, _____ is in the _____ place.

5. What is the number _____?

6. What is the number _____?

7. What is the number _____?

8. What is the number _____?

1. Disassemble my numbercard with 300.

2. Reassemble my numbercard (300) by 10.

3. How many 10s will it take to make 300?

4. How many 10s will it take to disassemble my numbercard?





School Games Gold Award

We are delighted to share that our school has been awarded the School Games Gold Award for 2025/26.

We are incredibly proud of this achievement and would like to thank you all for your support!



Year 3 Monkton Nature Reserve Trip

Year 3 had a wonderful day exploring Monkton Nature Reserve. The children enjoyed discovering the different habitats, learning about the plants and wildlife, and taking part in a range of exciting outdoor activities. They were fantastic ambassadors for our school, showing curiosity, enthusiasm and excellent teamwork throughout the day. It was a memorable visit, and everyone came away with a greater appreciation of the natural world.



Rock On Music Academy

Register Your Interest for Music Lessons Next Academic Year



We're pleased to let you know that registration of interest is now open for Rock On Music Academy's music lessons for the upcoming academic year.

If your child would like to attend, please complete the sign-up form using the link below. Registering your interest helps the provider plan sessions and keep you updated with availability and booking information.

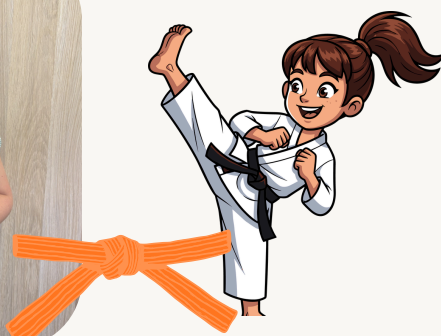
Sign up here: <https://www.rockonmusicacademy.com/sign-up>



A big thank you to Ripley's Garden Centre in Staple for their generous donation of plants for our allotment. They are a welcoming addition to our school garden.



Value Champions



Value Champion Noah

Well done to Noah for your fantastic achievement in gaining your **Blue Peter Sports Badge** for football! What a brilliant reward for all of your hard work, commitment and enthusiasm for the game. You should be incredibly proud of yourself for this wonderful accomplishment. Keep working hard, enjoying the game and always striving to 'be the best you can be.' We are super proud of you!



It's who
we are!

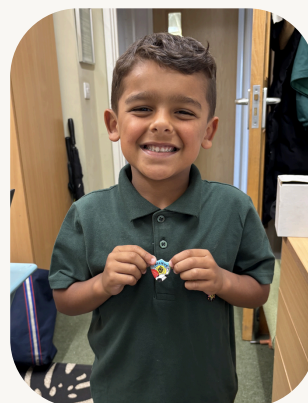


Value Champion Romey

What a fantastic achievement to earn your **Orange Belt** in martial arts! Reaching this milestone is a reflection of your focus, self-discipline and determination to keep improving. Martial arts is all about respect, resilience and never giving up, and you have shown all of these qualities as you have worked towards your next belt. Your hard work and commitment have truly paid off. We can't wait to see what you accomplish next. Well done, Romey!



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Church Events

SERVICES & WORSHIP AT ST NICHOLAS CHURCH

EVERYONE IS WELCOME



1st Sunday of the month - Morning Praise 10:30am
2nd Sunday of the month - Holy Communion 10:30am
3rd Sunday of the month - Cafe Church 10:30am
4th Sunday of the month - Holy Communion 10:30am
Morning Prayer 9:30am every Wednesday

15th July Railway Swing Band, 19:30
12th September Kent Coastal Concert Band, 19:30
Concert tickets available on the door

Church Kitchen is open Wednesday & Thursday
every week 10am-3pm, serving lunches, cakes and
snacks

Coffee Morning 1st Saturday of every month 10am
Toddler Group every Wednesday 10am-12pm
Thursday Club (Mens group) every Thursday at 11am
Crafternoons every Thursday 1-3pm



For services across our Wantsum Churches visit:
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St Nicholas Church has stood here for at least 900 years!
We are open daily and welcome visitors.

Our churchyard is blooming with wildflowers and nature too, we recently installed a new bench to enjoy the views from. On Wednesdays and Thursdays the cafe is open serving lunches and homemade cakes, using produce from our new kitchen garden thanks to the Men's club! Our new contactless donation station has arrived to make fundraising easier, so we can keep this Grade 1 listed building conserved for future generations.



A huge thank you to our amazing PTFA for all of their hard work and contributions this year. We appreciate everything you do!

THANK YOU!
Our **SUMMER FAIR**
& RAFFLE FUNDRAISER
raised
£1802.74

This amazing total will be used for
THE BENEFIT OF THE CHILDREN
at St Nicholas at Wade School

What a fantastic effort!
Thank you to everyone who supported,
donated, volunteered and came along.
TOGETHER WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

WANT TO HELP MAKE
MORE EVENTS AMAZING?
VOLUNTEER FOR FUTURE EVENTS
Please join our WhatsApp group!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY!

ST. NICHOLAS-AT-WADE C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL
PTFA
PARENTS, TEACHERS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

JOIN OUR TEAM!
Help us raise funds, build memories
and make a difference for
OUR CHILDREN!

OUR AGM IS
MONDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER
Come see what it's all about
EVERYBODY WELCOME!

TIME: **7:30 pm**
PLACE: **School hall**

Local Events

FREE EVENT! 27TH JULY - 7TH AUGUST
TRUTH
a 10th minisbays

MORNING CLUBS, AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES & EVENING EVENTS!

Join us for the 132nd year of the Scripture Union
Holiday Club in Minnis Bay!
To find out more information about who we are and what we'll be doing, scan here!

Facebook.com/hummershades
Partnership with Local Churches, Chelmsford, 21 2100

HAPPY READING
CHILDREN'S BOOKSHOP
SUMMER HOLIDAYS
EVENTS PROGRAMME
1st - 31st August 2026



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SUMMER 2026 AT THE RESERVE

BIG BUG HUNT Bug got in hand and ID chart at the ready. Search for some of the reserve's smallest residents. All that wiggles, creeps, scuttles, crawls and flutters can be closely observed and identified. The hunt is on!

BOGGARTS Boggarts are strange little creatures that live in woods and play tricks on people. Find out more about these crafty creatures and make your own using leaves, twigs and seeds.

FOLKLORE AND FLEECY TREES Trees have stories to tell. Their fruits, leaves and seeds take on different meanings across time and cultures. Join this 'Tree Walk', with a simple tree craft for children in the shade of the woods.

GROW A GARDEN In a box. Using a mixture of seeds, and compost made on the reserve, colour your label and sow your garden. Add plant markers.

POND DIPPING Nymphs and newts; beetles and boatmen. Explore the micro-habitat of pondlife at Monkton. Ages 6+.

STORY TIME Free nature stories read by local authors and our volunteers.

STORY WALK Inspired by 'The Lost Words', a book dedicated to encouraging a love of nature in children. We will visit some of the species in the book: Newt, Willow and Ivy. The session will end in the Education Garden, where we will make willow hearts.

WILD CLASSROOM Campfire cooking at its best. Experience this tasty vegetable tagine, made together, with the reserve as a back-drop.

WORM COMPOSTING Join 'Compost King' John, in 'Compost Corner' to find out about our busy, composting worms and our hot compost. Why is compost so important? Prepare food for the worm workforce. Make a compost bin character.

JULY 11AM-13.00PM	12PM-1PM	AUGUST 11AM-12PM	12PM-1PM
21st: Bugs	Story Pond	11th: Worms	Story Folklore
23rd: Bugs	Pond Garden	13th: Pond	Garden
24th: Bugs	Pond Boggarts	14th: Bugs	Boggarts
28th: Pond W.C'm	Story Folklore	18th: Bugs	Story Walk
31st: Bugs	Boggarts	20th: Walk	Pond
AUG 11AM	12PM-1PM	21st: Bugs	Folklore
4th: Boggarts	Story Pond	25th: Folklore	Story Garden
6th: Bugs	Walk	27th: Bugs	Walk
7th: Folklore	Garden	28th: Pond	Boggarts



HOW TO BOOK
www.monkton-reserve.org/
events/
Visit our museum, café, gift,
and book shops.

MORE INFO:
education@monkton-reserve.org

PRICE PER CHILD
Members: £3
Non-Members: £5
(incl. entrance to the reserve)
Wild Classroom
Members: £9.00
Non-Members: £15.00

WHERE
Monkton Nature Reserve
Canterbury Road

WWW.MONKTON-RESERVE.ORG
THANET COUNTRYSIDE TRUST
(CHARITY NO: 1211099)

RAF MANSTON HISTORY MUSEUM

Spot the LEGO for £1.50 with prize at the end!

Valid from 20th of July to 7th of September 2026

Summer savings

Children's Lunch Box and museum entry only **£5**

at the Museum
10am - 4pm
7 days a week
Lunch Box at NAAFI Cafe served until 3pm
Ages 5 - 15
All other attendees must pay admission.
At least 1 adult per 4 children
Other competitions and activities available. Please speak to shop staff.
See website for details.

BOOK HERE

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SCIENCE & BUG CLUB ALL 8-12 YEAR OLDS WELCOME!

26.6.26: BUGS — CENTIPEDE HANDLING AND FEEDING
26.6.26: SCIENCE — WIGGLY WORMS EXPERIMENT
10.7.26: BUGS — PUPY SNAILS ANIMAL CARE
17.7.26: SCIENCE — NORTHERN LIGHT STORM IN A JAR
24.7.26: BUGS — FROGS AND FISH ENCLOSURE



A fun, safe, and engaging way for children to learn, explore,
and get creative while building confidence and curiosity.

West Faversham Community Centre
Selected dates throughout June & July
Spaces are limited, so don't miss out!

BROCKHILL COUNTRY PARK, HYTHE, KENT



Brockhill Country Park in Hythe is a great base for a free day out with the kids in Kent. It has a large play park and lovely grounds to explore – you can stroll across fields, roll down hills (I leave that to the kids!), trudge around the woods or have a saunter around the lake. It's one of my children's favourite places to meet their friends and get muddy! We've had so many great days there, often taking nets with us and paddling in the stream – it's the perfect way to cool everyone down in the summer months. They also run lots of children's events throughout the year including forest activities, crafting, campfires and seasonal trails. Parking is just a few pounds and, aside from that, you can bring a picnic and not spend a penny all day. [Check out my full review of Brockhill Country Park, Hythe, for more information.](#)

SUMMER

Key Dates

Key Dates—Term 1

Tues 1 st Sept	Start of Term 1
Weds 2 nd Sept	Year 6 Residential Meeting
Fri 4 th Sept	Science Dentist Visit to Year 4
Mon 7 th Sept	Year 6 Meet the Teacher
Mon 7 th – Weds 10 th Sept	Reception children in half days
Tues 8 th Sept	Year 2 Meet the Teacher
Weds 9 th Sept	Year 3 Meet the Teacher
Thurs 10 th Sept	Kent Test
	Year 4 Meet the Teacher
	Reception children in for the morning (until 12:30pm)
Fri 11 th Sept	Year 1 Meet the Teacher
	Reception children start full time
Mon 14 th – Fri 18 th Sept	Year 6 Residential Trip
Mon 14 th Sept	Year 5 Meet the Teacher
Weds 16 th Sept	Year 5 Residential Parent Meeting
Fri 25 th Sept	Macmillan Coffee Morning
Mon 28 th Sept	School Photographs– Individual & Sibling
	Harvest Celebration at Church (2pm)
Mon 5 th – Fri 9 th Oct	Cycle to School Week
Tues 13 th Oct	Year 1 Trip to Monkton Nature Reserve
Weds 21 st Oct	Flu Vaccinations
Fri 23 rd Oct	End of Term 1