

St Nicholas Church School

School Newsletter

2nd February 2024 Term 3

Newsletter 5

Dear Parents and carers,

As always it has been a great week at St Nicholas and the days are definitely getting longer and a little brighter.

On Monday, teaching staff were busy in school during our INSET day which was focussing on writing. We have lots of exciting plans for the future and cannot wait to start implementing these in our English curriculum.

On Thursday, Wellow class enjoyed their first visit to the Egg Theatre to watch the Snow Mouse. It was a magical, interactive experience and the children (and adults) had a fabulous time. Thank you to the PTFA for funding the transport for this amazing visit.

The week ended with a brilliant event celebrating the NSPCC Number Day. It was lovely to see so many imaginative outfits inspired by numbers and every class enjoyed the number games and activities organised by Year 5. Thank you so much to Mrs Hinkley for arranging such an enjoyable event. From the feedback that the children have shared, I think Mrs Hinkley will be adding this as a yearly event to the school calendar! Please see a selection of the pictures on the next page and thank you for all of your donations. We raised a fantastic £174.41 for the NSPCC.

Next week is the last week of term and it is due to be a busy one with our Year 1 Family lunch on Tuesday, a Year 4 Family event on Wednesday and a Year 5 and 6 girls rugby tournament on Friday afternoon. We also look forward to our termly Spirit of St Nicholas Award. Texts will be sent out on Monday to the parents and carers of the award winners ready for Friday's celebration.

Have a fantastic weekend.

Mrs Biss and Mr Low

Hair donation for the Little Princess Trust

Well done to Jasmine who has donated her hair to the Little Princess Trust. This is an amazing charity which uses the hair to create wigs which are then given to children and young people, who have lost their own hair

> through cancer treatment or other conditions.

Such a fabulous thing to do. We are so proud of you.





Y5 and Y6 Girls Rugby

On Friday the Y5 and Y6 girls will be participating in a touch rugby tournament, organised by Maddy's Mark.

Details of this exciting event will be sent home on Monday. Thank you to Miss Sampson for organising.

Menu Change

Just a reminder that there will be a change of menu this week. Don't forget when you are booking lunches!

> Tuesday: Roast Wednesday: Sausage Roll

Our Award Winners Maths Magician Reading/Oracy **Wizard Writer** Star Isabella N Raith Cam Rory G **Bonnie** Willow H Marina C Keisha Somer Freya Wynter-Rose M **Dart** Chloe F **Hudson B** Isobel M

House Points		
Ludlow	243	
Foxcote	160	
Tyning	181	
Huish	224	

NSPCC Number Day

Year 5 really enjoyed running Maths games for every year group in the school during NSPCC Number Day today. They had spent a lot of this week planning the games to play with each year group and their hard work paid off. Here are some Year 5's highlights of the day:

- Working with the younger children.
- Helping the Reception children adding numbers.
- Playing games with my friends from other year groups.
- Making up games for other children to play.

Nora G enjoyed playing Maths games with all of the classes so much she even suggested that we make this an annual event!

Thank you to everyone who dressed up and donated to the day. We managed to raise £174.41 for the NSPCC. Also a special thank you to Mrs Hinkley and Year 5 for organising the fantastic event. The children had a great time.













	Our Peg Award Winners			
Red	Yellow	Pink	Green	Orange
Rushew	Teddy F Gracie W	Daisy P Piper H Alex P Chloe F Ruby P Harper BG	Thea T Reggie K Ivy B George L Luna L Joe H	Iona T

Time to Talk		
Cam	If 6 is the whole what could its parts be? Use objects to help you work it out.	
Somer	Can you count in 5s to 50?	
Dart	Where is the equator located? Tell your grown-up what the weather conditions are like at the equator.	
Avon	What does permeable mean?	
Mells	Discuss the different techniques you have learnt in Art this week.	
Yeo	What did you do to celebrate Number Day? Tell your grown-up at home all about the fun we had.	
Hartlake	What can you remember about how animals are classified?	
Wellow	Tell your grown up about your visit to the Egg Theatre.	
Midford	Explain the activity you did with Y5 for number day.	

Answerphone Message Reminder

When calling school to report your child absent, please remember to leave a message stating the reason for the absence. Otherwise the office will have to contact you again as we have to input the reason into the school attendance system. Please also remember, unless your child is off for a sickness bug which they have to stay at home for 48 hours, please call into school each day to report an absence.

Attendance		
Cam	87.5%	
Somer	95.8%	
Dart	97%	
Avon	87.9%	
Mells	96.9%	
Yeo	96.1%	
Hartlake	89.1%	
Midford	89.1%	
Wellow	95.8%	
Overall attendance is 93.3%		

Outside Achievements

Congratulations to Ezra who has completed Stage 1 in swimming and can now swim 5 metres. Brilliant!

Well done to Ivy-Grace who has also completed Stage 1 in swimming. Super swimming!



Diary Dates

Tuesday 6th February Y1 Family Lunch

Wednesday 7th February
2.30pm Y4 Family Event
Thursday 8th February
3.35pm Table Top Sale
Friday 9th February
End of Term 3

Monday 19th February
Term 4
Friday 23rd February
Y6 Trip To Lifeskills

St Nics PTFA

Don't forget, we have our Table Top Sale next Thursday after school. Come along and bag yourself a bargain! We still have spaces left if you want to sell, please call the office to book. If you would like to donate any items for the PTFA to sell, please drop them off to the office next week!





Free 5 week cooking course for children and young people* aged 5-17

Learn how to make healthy recipes on a budget

Ingredients and equipment provided for f2f courses and a £30 supermarket voucher is given for online courses

*1 adult is required to attend per family





Tues 23rd Jan- 27th Feb (no session 13th Feb), St Martin's Garden Primary School, Combe Down, Bath, 4-5.30pm.

Thurs 25th Jan-Thurs 29th Feb (no session 15th Feb), online via Microsoft Teams, 4-5pm.

Mon 4th March- 1st April, online via Microsoft Teams, 5-6pm.

LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



Bath Central Library

Centenary Storytime - 1920s: Winnie the Pooh

Tuesday

10.30 - 11.00am

6 Feb

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Wednesday

10.30 - 11.00am

7 Feb

Knit Two, Share One - knitting & Crochet group for any age/ability

Thursday

10.00 - 12.00pm

8 Feb

Norland Nannies Community Sewing Bee - For any age/ability, drop in

Friday

10.00 - 2.00pm

9 Feb

Board Game Saturdays

Saturday

12.30 - 4.00pm

10 Feb

Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs

Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

Lego Lab, Family Fun Drop In

Mon - Sat

During opening hours

Art in the Library:

Picturing Bath: Original prints and sketches by Sally and Ed Harker

Mon - Sat

During opening hours

5 Feb - 1 March

Gift a Coat

Donate a coat to someone who might need it to keep warm this winter.

Tuesday 2 January - Saturday 17 February 2024 at Bath Central Library Bath Housing, Welfare & Advice Services

2023-2024 SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES

Including INSET DAYS

TERM 1			
Start:	Tuesday 5th September		
Finish:	Friday 20th October		
TERM 2			
Start:	Monday 30th October		
Finish:	Friday 15th December		
TERM 3			
Start:	Wednesday 3rd January		
Finish:	Friday 9th February		
TERM 4			
Start:	Monday 19th February		
Finish:	Thursday 28th March		
	TERM 5		
Start:	Monday 15th April		
Finish:	Friday 24th May		
TERM 6			
Start:	Monday 3rd June		
Finish:	Tuesday 23rd July		
INSET DAYS			
Friday 1st September 2023			
Monday 4th September 2023			
Tuesday 2nd January 2024			
Monday 29th January 2024			
Friday 12th July 2024			