



NEWSLETTER TERM 1 2025

WELCOME BACK...

Welcome back to a new term, a new school year and some new members of staff! I am incredibly pleased to announce that Miss Maharaj got married over the summer and she is now Mrs Rajpaulsingh. I would like to send her and her new husband all our love and congratulations!

Welcome to Mrs Stewart who is joining us for two days a week. She is a qualified teacher and will be covering Monday and Friday.

I am also pleased to welcome Miss Hutchings who will be joining Year 2 as a TA.

We are also pleased to announce Miss Bibby will be joining us as a teaching assistant supporting KS2 and Miss Conway is also joining us to support in EYFS and KS1. We welcome all our new members of staff and are excited for them to join our amazing team!

TEACHERS 2025/2026

R Mrs Thornley & Mrs Bond

1 Mrs Rajpaulsingh & Mrs Norman

2 Miss Sawyer & Miss Hutchings

3 Mrs Harris & Miss Bibby

4 Mr Edwards & Mrs Hooper

5 Mrs Beaver & Miss Dean

Mrs Orford: HLTA
Mrs Walkinshaw: S&L TA

REMINDERS

From September, our main point of contact will now be Dojo. The school app will be updated but please use Dojo as your main access to school information. If you are struggling to access this, please contact class teachers where they will be happy to help. Please note teachers will only be expected to answer messages between 8am and 5pm.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Information regarding after school clubs will be sent out at the beginning of next week and clubs will begin the following week.

Wrap-around after school care is available from Wednesday 3rd September, 3:15-5:15, bookable hourly at £5.15 an hour. Please see the school office to book.

If there are any parents that would like to support or run any after school clubs, please let us know.





DATES FOR 2025/2026

IMPORTANT DATES UNTIL CHRISTMAS

- 1st & 2nd September: INSET DAYS
- 3rd September: children to return
- 8th September: YR to start 8:35-1:15
- WB 15th September: YR in full time
- 11th September: Phonics talk in hall 2:30pm
- 22nd September: Flu vaccinations
- 9th October: Y4 to Houses of Parliament (more information to follow)
- 10th October: Harvest Festival in church @ 2pm
- 16th October: Whole school Reading Cafe
- 5th November: Parents Evening: 2pm-5pm
- 6th November: Parents Evening 2pm-6:30pm
- 10th November: Anti-bullying week
- 28th November: whole school Christmas tree decorating event
- 12th December: Christmas Fair (TBC)
- 10th December: KS1 Christmas Performance: 9:30am and 2pm
- 15th December: Christingle: R,1,2: 9:30am
KS2: 2pm
- 16th December: Carol Concert in church: 6pm (choir)
- 17th December: Elf Day (whole school)
- 18th December: Pantomine Trip: Woodville Halls
- 19th December: Staff Development Day

Please be aware all dates are subject to potential change but we wanted parents to have as much notice as possible. If dates need to change, you will be informed ASAP. We will also be adding events to the calendar but will be informed with as much notice as possible.

MEET THE TEACHER...

This year we would like to invite you to come and meet your child's new teacher and each teacher will be sharing a short presentation with key information about your child's new year group. These presentations will also be shared on Dojo if you are unable to make the meetings.

- 8th September: Y2 Parent meeting 3:15
- 9th September: Y5 Parent meeting 3:15
- 10th September: Y1 Parent meeting: 3:15
- 11th September: Y3 Parent meeting: 3:15
- 12th September: Y5 Parent meeting: 3:15

IMPORTANT DATES FOR AFTER CHRISTMAS

- 5th January: Staff Development day
- 6th February: NSPCC Number Day
- 13th February: Pancake Day run
- 2nd March: Book Week
- 5th March: World Book Day: all children to be invited to dress up
- 13th March: Mothers and others day service in church: 2pm
- 18th March: Parents evening: 2pm-6:30pm
- 19th March: Parents evening: 2pm-5pm
- WB 30th March: Easter week
- WB 11th May: Mental Health Awareness week
- 1st June: Staff Development day
- 19th June: Fathers and Heroes service in church: 2pm
- WB 22nd June: Sports week
- 26th June: Sports Day & Summer Fayre (TBC)
- 15th July: KS2 Performance
- 21st July: Last day of term.



Matthew 13:31-32:

‘The Kingdom of Heaven is like a grain of mustard seed, which man took, and sowed in his field, which indeed is smaller than all seeds. But when it is grown, it is greater than the herbs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in its branches.’

VISION AND VALUES

Last term, we created a new vision and values. These were shared with all stakeholders and the feedback was incredibly positive.

Following training from the Diocese, we are continuing to develop our vision and ensure this is embedded further into our new curriculum. More information to follow regarding our vision. With this in mind, we will be focusing on a different value each week and celebrating each value in celebration worship each week. This will ensure all children are aware of our values and can identify these in every area of school life.

We encourage feedback from all stakeholders to support us on our journey going forward and appreciate the time and support you have all shown.

Thank you for your continued support. We are excited for the year ahead!

St Nicholas Team

PTFA

As you are aware, we are lucky to have a very newly formed PTFA supporting us to raise valuable funds for our school. However, we would be keen for any parents to join this team to ensure all the fun events we have planned can take place as without volunteers, these will not be able to run.

If you are interested in joining our PTFA, please contact the school office for further information.

CURRICULUM

We are incredibly excited to start implementing our new curriculum this term with a huge focus on challenge and growth. Please ensure you take note of your child's class newsletter that will be sent out on dojo every Friday., This will include information about what your child will be learning the following week as well as homework. Homework will be sent out in books weekly (depending on year group).