



Together with Christ we love, live & learn.

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Year of Prayer

Pope Francis has declared that 2025 will be a Jubilee Year for the Catholic Church. Jubilee years are very special and will unite the church around the theme of 'Hope'. In order to prepare for this Jubilee, Pope Francis has declared 2024 a Year of Prayer. Pope Francis has asked Catholics to get 'back to basics' during this year by focusing on The Lord's Prayer. Throughout this year various prayer activities based around The Lord's Prayer will be taking place in school. Why not make The Lord's Prayer part of your home prayer life?



We continue to look at the Lord's prayer in different languages... this week in... Swahili.

Sala ya Bwana

Baba yetu uliye mbinguni,
 Jina lako litukuzwe.
 Ufalme wako uje.
 Mapenzi yako yatimizwe,
 hapa duniani kama huko mbinguni.
 Utupe leo riziki yetu ya kila siku.
 Utusamehe makosa yetu,
 kama nasi tunavyowasamehe waliotukosea.
 Usitutie majaribuni,
 lakini utuokoe kutoka kwa yule mwovu.
 Amina.

Wednesday Word

Please follow the link below to enjoy this week's Gospel as a family:
[Click HERE for the Wednesday Word](#)

Feast of Christ the King

This weekend, we celebrate the **Feast of Christ the King**, which marks the end of the Church's liturgical year. It's a special time to honour Jesus as the King of the Universe, recognising His reign of love, peace, and justice over all creation. This feast reminds us to place Christ at the centre of our lives and look forward to His eternal Kingdom. Why not pray this together, at home this weekend...

Dear Jesus,

Thank You for being our King.
 Thank You for loving us and helping us every day.
 Please guide us to follow You,
 and teach us to love others as You do.
 We pray that Your Kingdom of peace and love will grow in our hearts and in the world.
 Amen.



Year 5 Bikeability - well done!

A big congratulations to Year 5 for their outstanding participation in the **Bikeability** sessions this week. The instructors were incredibly impressed by their resilience in the cold weather and their sensible, safe attitude on the road. It's wonderful to see them learning such an important life skill that will keep them safe for years to come. We're excited to welcome the instructors back to teach the second group in December. Keep up the great work, Year 5!

Lighthouse Childcare Preschool - places for January 2025 available

If you know any parents looking for a wonderful preschool, **Lighthouse Preschool** (located on the school site) has spaces available for a **January 2025 start**. For more information and to book a visit, all contact details can be found on the flyer below.

Lighthouse Preschool

Up to 30 Free Funded Hours For 3 & 4 Year Olds*

Opening Times
 Breakfast 7.30am - 9.00am
 Preschool 9.00am - 3.30pm
 After School 3.30pm - 6.00pm

For a Registration Form Contact
 Lighthouse Childcare
 M: 07590 411 118
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Independent Preschool located at
 St. Nicholas Catholic Primary School,
 Jockey Road,
 Sutton Coldfield, B73 5US

* Subject to eligibility

Festive Bake Off - Advent Fair

Get your aprons ready and your mixers whirring—our **Festive Bake Off** is here! If you'd like to enter, simply bake your masterpiece and deliver it to school on **Friday, 29th November**.

✿ Important:

- Include a full ingredients list.
- No nuts or fresh cream, please!

Check out the flyer attached to this email for all the details. We can't wait to see (and maybe taste!) your incredible creations. Happy baking! 🧑🍳👉

Gifts from God Assemblies Autumn 2

Please see below the dates of our 'Gifts of God' assemblies which take place on alternate Fridays at 2.45pm. Please note that the last two assemblies of the term are on consecutive weeks.

A polite reminder to only attend Gifts from God assembly if your child is receiving an award, space is at a premium in the school hall!

Friday 6th December

Friday 13th December (Final Gifts from God Assembly of the Autumn Term)

Stay and Pray - 9am

Over the course of the Autumn Term, each class will hold a 'Stay and Pray' session. During these sessions, parents, carers & grandparents are encouraged to drop their children at school and then make their way into the classroom for a short prayer session with their child/grandchild.

Each session will start at 9am and run for approximately 20 minutes. This is a wonderful opportunity to join in prayer with your child and their class. Everyone is invited, regardless of faith. Dates are below:

Friday 29/11: Year 1

Friday 6/12: Year 6

Friday 13/12: Year 5

Curriculum Workshops

So far this term we have hosted several successful Parent & Child Workshops. These events are wonderful opportunities for parents & carers to experience the curriculum and work with their child. Below are the dates of the remaining workshops, all are a 9am start and last for around 90 minutes:

Tuesday 26th November - Year 3

Aspire Christmas Camps - discount offered

Aspire Active Camps are designed to inspire children to stay active, make friends, and have a blast. With a variety of fun-filled activities, Aspire ensures your child is engaged, moving, and smiling all day long.

Aspire knows that school holidays can be a challenge when it comes to finding exciting and healthy activities for kids. That's why Aspire is offering our school community an exclusive 15% discount!

🔑 How to Claim:

1. Download Aspire's flyer (attached to this email)
2. Use the special code when booking.

Don't miss out—spaces are limited, and this is the perfect way to keep your kids entertained and energised!

Code Camp is Here!

Learn coding, create projects, and have fun at Code Camp after school club.

🎥 Watch the Trailer:

Scan the QR code on the attached flyer to see what's on offer.

Book Your Spot:

📅 Spring 1: <https://my.codecamp.co.uk/course/1390/signup>

📅 Spring 2: <https://my.codecamp.co.uk/course/1391/signup>

👤 Who's it for?

Pupils in KS2 (Key Stage 2).

⌚ Limited spots available—book now!

PFA News

PFA Lottery

Do you fancy winning a pot of cash whilst contributing to St Nicholas PFA and just in time for Christmas....

Then have a go on the new St Nicholas lottery! A 50/50 prize fund capped at

1st - £500

2nd - £250

3rd - £100

Tickets are £5 each

Draw will take place on 13/12/24 during the last school assembly.

(The prize fund is dependant on sales so we really need your help and support with this340 tickets need to be sold to reach this target)

Please follow the link for online purchases or catch Rosemarie O'Connor (reception/year 1) or Maria Kilbride (year 4/6) on the school run/at assemblies for a cash purchase.

<https://tinyurl.com/stnickslotto>

Best of luck and remember - you need to be in it to win it!

Do you shop at Asda either in store or online? PLEASE SIGN UP

We're pleased to announce that St Nicholas School PFA has joined the ASDA Cash programme, so families can now earn money for the school while doing their shopping - <https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>

Advent Fayre: Sat 30th Nov, 12pm-3pm - message from the organising committee

The St Nicholas Advent Fayre is just around the corner! This is our official school event and we can't wait to welcome you all for a day filled with festive fun and activities, including craft stalls and creative activities for the whole family, festive games, raffles, and prizes to be won!

St Nicholas School PFA - link for tickets to Advent Fair 30/11/24

Christmas After School Disco: Tues 17th Dec, 3:30-5pm (children only)

CHRISTMAS DISCO! Tickets for the disco are now on sale [HERE](#). The children only Christmas Disco is taking place on December 17th. Your child will be taken straight from class to the disco and you can collect them from the hall at 5pm. The £5 ticket price includes sweets and drinks from the tuck shop, nail painting, face painting and tattoos – so no extra pocket money needed! All funds raised will go to the PFA. No need to send a change of clothes, this is Christmas jumper day so your child will already be wearing their festive top with their uniform.

[Link for Christmas Disco tickets 17.12.24](#)

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 26th November	9am-10.30am Year 3 parent & child curriculum workshop in the school hall
Friday 29th November	Year 1 Stay and Pray at 9am - ALL INVITED
Saturday 30th November	12pm-3pm PFA Advent Fair
Friday 6th December	Year 6 Stay and Pray at 9am - ALL INVITED
Friday 6th December	Whole School Mass for Feast of St Nicholas - 9.15am in church
Friday 6th December	Gifts from God assembly - 2.45pm
Monday 9th December	Rudolph Run - whole school fundraiser for Birmingham Hospice
Wednesday 11th December	EYFS & KS1 trip to Midlands Art Centre to see Little Angel Theatre: Finding Santa
Thursday 12th December	KS2 trip to Lichfield Garrick to see Jack and the Beanstalk
Friday 13th December	Year 5 Stay and Pray at 9am - ALL INVITED
Friday 13th December	Gifts from God assembly - 2.45pm
Monday 16th to Wednesday 17th December	Y5 Bikeability extra sessions
Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th December	9.15am - EYFS & KS1 Nativity Play performance - tickets only
Tuesday 17th December	Christmas Jumper Day PFA Christmas Disco 3.30pm to 5pm
Friday 20th December	Last day of the Autumn Term - pupils break up for Christmas
Christmas Holidays	
Monday 6th January	First day of the Spring Term - all pupils back in school at 8.50am
Friday 31st January 2025	Young Voices concert at Resorts World, Birmingham

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