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Dear Parents & Carers,

Friday 26th June 2026

Reflection: Living the Gospel in Little Ways

This weekend's Gospel will remind us that following Jesus is shown most clearly in the everyday choices we make for others. Jesus tells His disciples that even the smallest act of kindness – "a cup of cold water" – has great value in God's eyes.

As a school community, this speaks to our mission *Together with Christ we love, live and learn*. When we welcome one another, support a child who needs a little extra encouragement, or choose patience on a busy day, we are living out the Gospel in simple but powerful ways.

May we continue to notice those small moments of kindness at home and in school, trusting that God works through each one.



Keeping Our Children Safe in the Heat

Thank you for working with us this week as we navigated the intense hot weather. Staff have worked incredibly hard to keep children safe, hydrated and as comfortable as possible and senior leaders have followed DfE guidance throughout, basing every decision on the health and safety of everyone in our school community.

We're looking forward to returning to our normal school uniform and collection times next week. Summer is a wonderful season, but when temperatures rise this high it can quickly become unsafe, so we're grateful for your support and understanding and a huge thanks to our PFA for a powerful fan for each class & to a Y4 parent who lent some fans to us.

Wednesday Word

Please follow the link below to enjoy this week's Gospel as a family:

[Click HERE for the Wednesday Word](#)

INSET Day - Reminder

A gentle reminder that school will be closed on Friday 3rd July for our Academy INSET day. Staff from across the Academy will be gathering together for joint training and no one will be on site at St Nicholas, so please ensure children do not attend.

A reminder too that our Gifts from God Assembly will take place at 2.45pm on Thursday 2nd July. If your child is receiving a certificate, you will receive your email on Tuesday of this week.

PFA Summer Fair - Tickets Now Available!

Tickets for our Summer Fair are now available to book online:

www.pta-events.co.uk/stnickspfa

Children under 4 go free, but please remember to book a **free ticket** for them in advance.

If you're planning to attend and would be happy to **volunteer on the day**, we would be so grateful for your help – there's an option to indicate this when booking.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you there!

The PFA Summer Fair Team



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PFA Election - Candidate Slate Now Available

Thank you to everyone who has stepped forward to serve our school community through the PFA next year. In line with our PFA constitution, the candidate slate for the 2026-27 PFA roles is now available for parents and carers to view:

<https://stnickspfa-candidateslate-2627.netlify.app>

We invite all families to take a moment to look through the nominees and consider the parents who have generously offered their time and skills.

The formal election will take place during the General Meeting at the Summer Fair on Saturday 11th July. Attending the meeting, even briefly, will help us ensure the process is quick, efficient and fully compliant.

Your support makes a real difference to the strength of our PFA and the opportunities it can offer our children.

Sports' Day - Friday 10th July

We are looking forward to welcoming families to Sports' Day on Friday 10th July, which will take place at Braemar Fields.

• Reception, Year 1 and Year 2: 9.30am - 11.30am

• Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6): 12.45pm - 3.15pm

Please remember that no cars are permitted up the Braemar Fields path. We kindly ask families to park away from the area and be mindful of local residents when arriving and leaving.

Children should wear their St Nicholas PE kit and bring a water bottle. If the weather is warm, please ensure your child has a cap or sun hat and that sun cream is applied before school.

If poor weather affects the day, our reserve date is Wednesday 15th July.



Please don't throw away school shoes!

As children grow, many school shoes still have plenty of life left in them. This summer, our St Nicholas World Development Group (WDG) is collecting good-quality, wearable school shoes to support pupils at Feed My Lamb School in Uganda.

If you're replacing school shoes over the holidays, please consider donating any pairs that are still in good condition.

👉 **Sizes:** Age 4 through to Adult

👉 **When:** Please bring donations into school during September

👉 **How:** Secure each pair together with an elastic band

Every pair can make a difference – thank you for helping us support education and transform lives.

Smartphone Ban Parent Workshop - Save the Date

We are pleased to share that we have booked a Parent Workshop on the recently announced Smartphone Ban, designed to empower and support parents of children of all ages. This session is open to all families from EYFS to Year 6 and will help you understand the proposed changes, how they may affect young people, and how to navigate conversations at home with confidence.

The workshop will take place on Thursday 17th September at 6.30pm in the school hall.

We hope many of you will join us for this important and informative session.



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Lighthouse Preschool - PLACES AVAILABLE

Lighthouse Preschool, run by Mrs Carole Baird, offers a high-quality, nurturing early years provision for 3 and 4 year olds, helping children grow in confidence and prepare for school life.

Parents are welcome to get in touch for an informal chat or visit:

☎ 07590 411118

✉ Lighthousechildcare2023@outlook.com

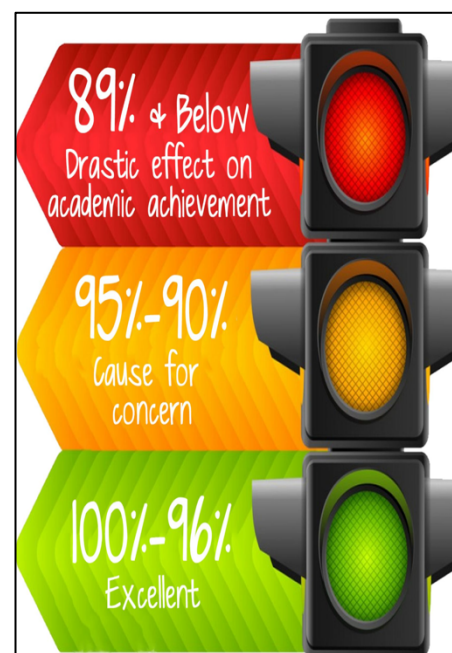
Gifts from God Assembly Dates There is one Gifts from God assembly left during Summer 2. This will be on: **Thursday 2nd July (THURSDAY due to INSET on Friday 3rd).**

There will be an assembly at 2pm on Friday 17th July. This will be our Year 6 Leavers' Assembly, and on this occasion only Year 6 pupils and their siblings will receive certificates or awards.

Attendance

Let's see which class had the highest attendance this week...

Year group	Attendance for w/c 22/6/26
EYFS	87.33% BELOW 90%
Year 1	91.61%
Year 2	94.18%
Year 3	92.67%
Year 4	95% WINNERS!
Year 5	92.33%
Year 6	89.67% BELOW 90%
Well done to this week's joint winners...Year 4! You can negotiate a reward with Mr Reid next week.	



Dates for the diary

Please continue to check this section frequently as it is subject to change.

Wednesday 1st July	Transition Day for Y6 (up to new schools) Transition morning for the rest of school (new classes)
Thursday 2nd July	Gifts from God assembly at 2.45pm (due to INSET tomorrow)
Friday 3rd July 2026	INSET Day - school closed to children
Monday 6th July	11am Teddy Bears' Picnic for new starters (EYFS Sept 2026)
Friday 10th July 2026	***Sports' Day*** first choice date



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Saturday 11th July	1pm - 3pm PFA Summer Fair
Tuesday 14th July 2026	PFA end of year treat - Silent Disco (during the school day)
Wednesday 15th July 2026	***Sports' Day*** back up date in case of rain on 10/7.
Thursday 16th July 2026	Stay & Play for new starters (EYFS Sept 2026)
Friday 17th July 2026	9.15am Whole school Mass in church (including prayers for leavers) - all welcome
Friday 17th July 2026	2pm - Leavers' Assembly for Y6 parents & families
New academic year - 2026/27	
Tuesday 1st September	INSET Day - school closed to children
Wednesday 2nd September	INSET Day - school closed to children
Thursday 3rd September	First day of Autumn Term for EYFS to Y6
Thursday 17th September	Parent Workshop on the Smartphone Ban -6.30pm, School Hall.

St John Paul II Multi Academy Schools - Term Dates 2026/27

Our MAC term dates follow Birmingham City Council (BCC) dates.

INSET Days for 2026-27:

Tuesday 1st September: INSET

Wednesday 2nd September: INSET

Other INSET days TBC.

Autumn Term 2026

- Term starts: Tuesday 1 September 2026
- Half-term: Monday 26 October - Friday 30 October 2026
- Term ends: Friday 18 December 2026

Spring Term 2027

- Term starts: Monday 4 January 2027
- Half-term: Monday 15 February - Friday 19 February 2027
- Term ends: Thursday 25 March 2027

Summer Term 2027

- Term starts: Monday 12 April 2027
- Half-term: Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June 2027
- Term ends: Wednesday 21 July 2027

Mr Porter
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Head of School

Miss Smith
Assistant Head

