

13th May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

God who Speaks

CalledOut Music - Thank You Lord [Official Audio] - YouTube

Try following this link to listen to this song together as a family. One of our focus Gospel Virtues this half term is 'Grateful' - this song talks to us about being grateful to God for all we have.

Gospel Virtues - who's got a wristband this week?

The following pupils have been seen living out our current Gospel Virtues of 'Grateful and Generous' this week: Izabella (Y2), Charlotte (Y5), Robyn (Y1), Annabelle (Rec), Ethan (Rec), Kosi (Y4), Orla (Y2) & Beau (Y2).

Wednesday Word - follow the link below to enjoy the Gospel as a family

https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/love?pid=MTA101634&v=59.18

<u> School Fund - help!</u>

We will shortly be sending out a request for school fund for the Summer Term. This money is incredibly helpful to us in helping to ease a very tight budget - every penny is spent on resources or training which helps to directly positively impact pupil outcomes. **If you are able to pay school fund**, we urge you to do so. This term you can pay via ParentPay or via cash at the school office. Thank you in advance for your support.

<u>Year 6 - well done!</u>

This week was KS2 SATs week where all Year 6 pupils across the country sat formal, externally marked tests in English and Maths. Our Year 6 class handled themselves with maturity and were a credit to themselves, their families and their school. Well done to Year 6, Mr Reid and Mrs Maguire. A special thank you to one of our governors, Mrs Maureen May, for coming into school every day this week to oversee test administration and help with staffing.

Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee - celebrations at St Nicholas

As you will be aware, Queen Elizabeth celebrates 70 years on the throne this year. As a school we will be celebrating in the following ways:

- On Thursday 19th May there will be a special 'Jubilee Lunch' in the dining room details have been sent out from the school office.
- Please see the attached flyer about a Jubilee BBQ happening at the Newman Centre on Sunday 5th June.
- On Friday 10th June the whole school will be having a Jubilee celebration day involving dress up, special activities and an afternoon tea more details to follow.

Music Lessons

We are in the process of securing our required music tuition time for the next academic year.

We are extremely passionate about music and the huge benefits it has for pupils -including personal wellbeing, developing self- image, self-confidence.

We have a wonderful variety of instruments available, including drums, piano, woodwind and cello. Please contact the school office to notify us if your child wishes to continue their music lessons or would like to sign up. A parentmail with more information will be sent out shortly.

Charity Quiz Night

Mrs Canning, one of our lunchtime staff members, is helping to organise a Charity Quiz Night in aid of Women's Aid. This will take place at Sutton Town Football Club (Coles Lane) on Friday 10th June between 7pm and 11.30pm and is priced at £15 per person. There will be food, a raffle, music and games. Contact <u>siobhangarrattley36@gmail.com</u> to book your team.

Friday Achievement Assembly - advance notice

There will be no Friday Achievement Assembly on Friday 27th May as the hall is needed for a Year 6 retreat day. There will also be no Achievement Assembly on Friday 10th June as this is our whole school celebration day for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. To summarise:

- Friday 20th May assembly as normal
- Friday 27th May no assembly HALF TERM
- Friday 10th June no assembly
- Friday 17th June assembly as normal expect a long one!

Walk to School Week - Monday 16th - Friday 20th May

Next week is 'Walk to School Week' where pupils are encouraged, where possible, to make the journey to school by foot, bike or scooter. Last year over 350,000 pupils across the UK took part in this week - let's add to an even bigger total this year!

Message for parents of pupils in Y5

Registration is now open for parents of current Year 5 pupils who would like their child to sit the entrance test for The Grammar Schools in Birmingham, for entry to Year 7 in September 2023.

Registration can be made online by visiting the website below:

https://www.birminghamgrammarschools.org/apply-onlineapp.php

The closing date for registering is 4pm on 30 ${\rm ^{\tiny th}}$ June 2022.

The test will take place on 17th September 2022.

Job Vacancies at Father Hudson's Care

Father Hudsons Care are currently recruiting for Purchase Ledger and Payroll Assistant roles at their Head Office in Coleshill. Full or part time considered for the right candidate. Previous Purchase Ledger or Payroll experience essential. Please visit <u>www.fatherhudsons.org.uk/vacancies</u> for details or call Sandra Homer for an informal chat about the role 01675 434006.

<u>Term Dates</u>

A reminder that we have two INSET days left this academic year: they are Monday 6th June and Friday 1st July.

Half Term is w/c 30th May.

Pupils' last day of school for the academic year 2021-22 is Thursday 21st July.

Monday 5th September 2022 is an INSET day and so pupils' first day of school for academic year 2022-23 is Tuesday 6th July.

Home Phonics Link

Please click the link below for a recap of information on the 'Read Write Inc' phonics scheme we follow at St Nicholas.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1JQ3j5okMiG0zbTjeah6YbQd6q5klckqu/edit

Red- 'b' and 'k' <u>https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/ThgJRxjL/zxFHGTet</u> <u>https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/4tVULDgr/MuDBogUg</u>

Green- 'oo' and 'oo' https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/D7uHOyZb/uG569UVk https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/SYxrekYw/9UqT3gFd

Purple- 'or'

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/ymDYy3jK/7sQpD3j6

Orange- 'er' and 'ow'

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/8ISLHSZS/PIC1HeaW https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/sl49iKxZ/477FQuVh

Blue- 'ew'

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/WDvOh8Q5/jljZh0c2

Grey- 'air' 'are'

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/IjAZkjid/5UPWwbvJ https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/bk6BzxR7/KygrRqHz

Dates for your diary

16th-20th May	Walk to School Week
19th May	PFA Disco - 3.30pm to 5pm
20th May	SEN virtual drop in
w/c 16th & 23rd May	KS1 (Year 2) SATs will be administered
26th May @ 1.30pm	Whole School Mass in church - Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord
w/c 30th May	Half Term - school closed
6th June	INSET Day - school closed to pupils
7th June	School reopens for second half of the Summer Term
1st July	INSET Day - school closed to pupils
21st July	Last day of this academic year
Mon 5th Sept	INSET Day
Tues 6th Sept	Pupils' first day back (Years 1-6) for academic year 2022-23

God bless,

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