

# St Nicholas Catholic Primary School Newsletter

6<sup>th</sup> May 2016



*Living and Learning in  
Spirit and in Truth*

## Stars of the Week

Jess Bertorelli  
Lochlan Hughes  
Anwen Phillips  
Lily Ballard  
Albie Ebdon  
Heather Robertson  
Luke Woodland  
Athena Stylianou  
Evelyn Davis  
Aliya Joseph  
Abbie Clow  
James Forson  
Jake Stentiford  
Max Whitham  
Ella Taylor  
Amelie Turner  
Benett Ben  
Bridie Robertson  
Isaac Baker  
Deborah Ijeh

**Well done to you all!**



## Diary Dates

### May

8<sup>th</sup> First Holy Communion  
Sacred Heart Church 9.30am  
9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> SATS week  
16<sup>th</sup> Swimschool starts (Yr 3/4)  
17<sup>th</sup> New Reception Class  
Welcome talk 9am  
17<sup>th</sup> Wild West Cowboy Lunch  
23<sup>rd</sup> EYFS Stay and Play 8.50  
– 9.50am  
24<sup>th</sup> Yr 3/4 Performance 2pm  
and 6pm  
25<sup>th</sup> EYFS Stay and Play 8.50  
– 9.50am  
27<sup>th</sup> Non-Uniform Day

**Headteacher: Mrs A Folland**

## Headteacher's News

It is lovely to have some sun and to see the children playing on the field. We will soon be starting to prepare for our Sports Day on the morning of 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

We send congratulations to all the children taking their First Holy Communion at Sacred Heart Church on Sunday at 9.30am. We hope they have a lovely day.

SATS take place next week and the Year 6 children will be taking tests every morning. Please ensure your child has had a good sleep and a good breakfast!

We are delighted that we have a full complement of 45 children joining Reception Class in September. We look forward to meeting them at the Welcome Talk on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

## Information

### Staffing

We are sad to inform you that Miss Richardson, Plympton Class teacher will be leaving us to move to Kent at the end of this term. We will be very sorry to see her go and wish her much happiness for her future.

We are pleased that

- Zoe Bottrell has been appointed as permanent KS2 teacher for Yr 5/6 from Autumn term
- Sophie Cox has been appointed to Kingswear Class for 2 terms from September to cover Mrs Walmsley's maternity leave.
- Miss Reynolds has been appointed Yr 3/4 Team Leader in Mrs Walmsley's absence

### Whisper

The safety and wellbeing of our pupils is of paramount importance to us and we work hard to provide ways for children to report something that is worrying them. We have set up an anonymous reporting tool called "Whisper" on our new school website. This tool enables a pupil to send a message to a confidential school e-mail account. Clicking on the button on the site will take them to an online form and they can choose whether to leave their contact details. A text can also be sent by following the instructions on the website. We will be talking to the children about Whisper and how, why and when to use it but if you have any specific questions please e-mail Mrs Harding (aharding@stncls.uk) for more details.

### May Crowning Liturgy

The May Crowning Liturgy was led by Totnes Class. Well done to them for leading such a lovely liturgy that featured dance, song and prayer. Thank you to all parents who donated flowers and who joined us to celebrate Mary. Please visit the website for more photos.





The PTA have sponsored a donkey at the Donkey Sanctuary and he is called Walter. We sponsor a donkey every year on behalf of the school as a thank-you for all they do for St Nicholas. If you visit the Donkey Sanctuary why not go and say hello?

## Website

We hope you are enjoying the new website and are visiting it regularly. More is being added every day. We have a new Blog Club for children who want to contribute and these are posted regularly under "Children's Pages". Specific information will be posted under "Year Groups" in the Teaching and Learning Section and there is now a "Trips Information" page under Parent's Links which contains all you need to know about class trips. Please keep an eye on the calendar for dates for the rest of the term.

## Haven Banks

There are a few spaces left to go to Haven Banks - 6 KS1 places and 1 KS2 place. Please contact Kate in the Office ([koriordan@stncls.uk](mailto:koriordan@stncls.uk)) to find out more. The deadline for payment of £26 (PP£6.50) is due by 27<sup>th</sup> May.

## New Foundation Governor

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Judie Yung who has been appointed by Bishop Mark to be a new Foundation Governor.

## Parish and Community News

### Jubilee Pilgrimage

Bishop Mark invites everyone in the Diocese, both individuals and groups, to make a pilgrimage to the Cathedral to pass through the Holy Door. On Tuesday 17 May, there will be a coach to take parishioners on a Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Holy Door of Plymouth Cathedral. Pick-up will be from Sacred Heart Church and Blessed Sacrament. Further details and booking form available from Blessed Sacrament and Sacred Heart Churches.

### Exeter Raspberry Jam: 7th May 10 – 12.00 at Exeter Library

Exeter Raspberry Jam is an informal gathering of Raspberry Pi enthusiasts. Everyone is welcome – bring your own projects or come in and learn. It is free and children can meet pupils from other schools and have the chance to make new friends and develop a new project together.

### Cricket Near You!

Countess Wear Cricket Club every Friday at St Lukes School Astro Turf from 3.45 – 5.15. Please contact Andy Baylis 07803553700

## PTA

## Reminders



Don't forget.....

- to regularly check the website news page and calendar
- to send in a dinner ticket if your child has had a meal without one. You will also receive a reminder text.
- to bring in evidence of any medical appointments your child has in school time for our records
- to bring in evidence of booked Able and Talented courses for our records.
- Watch out for our new healthy menus for BASC on the website.

## Weekly Reflection

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.

Amen.

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# Midsummer FAYRE

FRI 24<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

with Ceilidh by Pigs Might Fly BARN · DANCE · BAND

also including

- BARBECUE
- Bar & Real Ales
- CAKES & REFRESHMENTS
- Bouncy Castle
- DANCE WORKSHOP
- Raffle
- FAMILY GAMES
- Glitter Tattoos
- ICE CREAM & SWEETS
- Face painting

ENTRY £1 per adult children free

taking place in the school grounds

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**St Nicholas School is committed to safeguarding children.**

Designated Child Protection Officer: Mrs Amelia Harding Deputy Child Protection Officers: Mrs L Stone, Mrs A Folland and Mrs S Beach. Named Governor for Child Protection: Mrs Lisa Thomas



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