



St Nicholas Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 9th September 2022

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St Nicholas School is committed to safeguarding children.

Designated Child Protection Lead: Miss K Reynolds

Deputy Child Protection Leads: Mrs D Sparkes & Mrs C Blatchford

Named Governors for Child Protection: Mrs F Dennehy and Mr J Cookson

Living and Learning in Spirit and in Truth

**Her Majesty
Queen Elizabeth II**
1926 - 2022



Plymouth CAST is joining with the rest of the country and the commonwealth to mourn the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Head of School's News

Welcome back to a new school year! We hope that you all had a wonderful summer with your families and enjoyed the amazing weather. The children have come back to school this week full of smiles, energy and enthusiasm, keen to get going with their learning and excited to be with friends.

During the summer holidays, our Executive Head Teacher, Miss Lowry, married her partner, David. Miss Lowry will now be Mrs Blatchford. We would like to congratulate Mrs Blatchford on her marriage and wish her and her husband a lifetime of happiness.

Uniform

It is always lovely to see children looking so smart at the start of the new school year. Could we just remind you that school shoes should be worn (not trainers or boots) and that long hair (beyond shoulder length) should be tied back. Jewellery is not to be worn apart from stud earrings. We will continue to allow children to come into school wearing their PE kits on the days that they have PE lessons. Children should wear their PE kit (Green shorts or dark tracksuit bottoms) with a school jumper or fleece. Colourful hoodies are not permitted. Your child's class teacher will inform you of the PE days.

Parking

The school car park is for staff and families that have been granted a parking permit only. We renew our permits annually in September. If you have a disabled blue badge please email in for your permit for this year. If you do not have a blue badge but you or your child have a medical reason for requiring a parking space, please complete the form below to request a permit. Due to an increased demand for permits and the limited number of spaces, we will be asking for medical evidence (where there is no blue badge) before granting any permits. Applications for a car park permit should be made via [this form](#). All old permits for 21/22 should be returned to the school office.

Clubs

The staff of St Nicholas have come together to consider how we can enrich the experiences of the children beyond what is taught in lessons. With this in mind, different staff will run various clubs over the school year. Keep your eyes open for an overview of what's on offer. Individual staff members will send further information out regarding their club at the appropriate time.

Scooters and bikes

We are keen to encourage active travel to and from school. However, scooters and bikes should not be ridden on school grounds at drop off and pick up times to ensure that we keep everybody safe.

Lateness

If your child has an appointment and you know they are going to be late please ensure you let the office know beforehand if they require a lunch by emailing admin@stncls.uk.

Roald Dahl Day

We will be celebrating Roald Dahl and his amazing work on Friday the 16th September. The children will get to listen to readings from many of his books.

Important Dates:

15th September	New school year mass
16th September	Roald Dahl Day
21st September	International Day of Peace

Calendars for the school year will be distributed to parents next week.

ECCT Football Clubs

Please see below the booking link for the Monday KS2 GIRLS ONLY and Thursday KS2 After School Football Clubs-

[St Nicholas Year 3-6 GIRLS ONLY After School Club. - Exeter City Community Trust \(exetercct.org\)](https://www.exetercct.org)

[St Nicholas Primary KS2 After School Club. - Exeter City Community Trust \(exetercct.org\)](https://www.exetercct.org)

Prayer for the Queen

We give thanks for her life and deeply mourn her passing.
We pray at this moment of great sorrow for the Royal family and all who mourn.
May they know the consolation that the Lord is in our midst
and turns the darkness of death into the dawn of new life,
and the sorrow of parting into the joy of heaven
Amen