



St Nicholas Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

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St Nicholas School is committed to safeguarding children.

Designated Child Protection Lead: Mrs Denise Sparkes

Deputy Child Protection Leads: Mrs A Folland, Miss K Reynolds

Named Governors for Child Protection: Mrs Lucy Wills and Mrs Fran Dennehy

Living and Learning in Spirit and in Truth

Head of School's News

Happy new year! We hope that you all had a lovely Christmas break and we welcome you back to a new school term. It is fair to say that this term has not started in the way that we had all hoped and we find ourselves in a situation where we have many learners at home. However, while we all navigate another unusual term, we would like to remind you that all the staff remain deeply committed to the wellbeing and progress of all our pupils and are on hand to offer support throughout these unusual times.

Blended learning

We have worked hard to develop a blended learning approach that allows the teachers to teach the children in school and at home. Many of you will have already attended the class catch up sessions or parent workshops held this week. In the catch up sessions, the children have been able to hear about their learning, share their fabulous work, play games and listen to a class story with their friends who are in school! It has been wonderful to see how brilliantly the children at home have engaged with these and we have had lots of positive feedback from parents.

Please feedback to your child's class teacher if you experience any issues with accessing home learning or catch up sessions online.

Celebration assemblies and liturgies

To ensure that all of our learners remain connected to school life, we will be recording celebration assemblies and liturgies. These will be uploaded to your child's google classroom account at the end of the day on a Monday and a Friday. During Friday's celebration assembly, we will celebrate 'disciple of the week' for children in school and 'home learner of the week' for children at home where super home learning will be celebrated. We will also continue with the silver book. If your child has achieved something that they are proud of, please email details of this to head@stncs.uk. You may include photographs or scanned certificates which we can share with the whole school in celebration assembly.

Parent's Comments

Thank you for the lovely comments you have been sending in. Comments include:

I think you are all doing an incredible job in these extremely difficult times.....The lessons are so carefully thought out that my daughter has managed to be engaged and almost self sufficient in her home learning.

Oh my gosh, lump in my throat watching you all telling your class story together. You are all working so very hard, children, parents and teachers! I would never have imagined this situation working so well. Every single one of you are amazing! Keep up the hard work!

Absence reporting

If your child is coming into school please ensure you tell us via the normal channels (phone message, email to admin@stncs.uk or via the Parentmail app) if your child/ren is/are not coming in on a particular day and the reason. We will call you if we have not had a notification so that we can mark the registers correctly.

	Disciples of the Week	Home Learners of the week
Compton	Leo, Amelie and Oliver	Lottie
Berry Pomeroy	Grace	Asher
Plympton	All of Plympton Class / Bridie	Chloe
Totnes	Jesse / Jackson	Maggie
Kingswear	Mason / Amalia	Flynn
Rougemont	Charlie B	Ioan
Okehampton	Leo / Hannais	Brandon
Lydford	Antoni / Frankie	Annabelle
Dartmouth	Ecaterina / Oscar	Sebastian
Powderham	Martina	Jassim
Drogo	Sultan	Jack
Nursery	All of Nursery / Hubert	
<i>Well done to you all!</i>		