



St Nicholas Catholic Primary School

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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 & Miss C Lowry

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

Living and Learning in Spirit and in Truth

Head of School's News

It has been another busy end of term with many exciting things happening. Our year sixes did a stunning job with their end of year performance: Cinderella Rockerfella. It was amazing to see all those hidden talents come out and there were some fantastic solo vocal performances! Well done to all involved! Last night, after school, the year sixes got to relax and have some fun with a water fight on the school field and some pizza - it was a well-deserved treat after a busy and demanding year.

Young Enterprise

Our year six pupils ran a young enterprise event on Monday morning. They worked in teams to craft a business. We had many creative offerings such as throwing beans at some boys, chocolate fountains and slime sales. Through this event our children were able to raise over £200 for the PTA. Thank you to all parents for supporting this- the money will go towards enhancing the experience of your children in school.

Staff leaving

Kate Graham: Mrs Graham has supported the teaching and learning in reception this year.

Andrea Veres: Andrea has worked in the office this year covering maternity leave.

Veronique Pang: Miss Veronique has worked at the school for three years supporting children in the classroom and is now off to explore new opportunities.

Amy Howes: Miss Howes is going to teach in a school in Dubai.

Sophie Martin: Mrs Martin is expecting her second baby in September and will take some time to be with her young and growing family.

Tabitha Frost: Miss Frost is going to work in Dubai and will be heavily involved in setting up a brand new school.

Laura Walmsley: After 9 years at St Nicholas, Mrs Walmsley is going to teach in another school in Devon.

On behalf of the staff and governors of St Nicholas, I would like to thank all of the departing staff for their commitment and dedication to the school over the years and wish them the best of luck in their new ventures.

Miss Lowry - Mrs Blatchford

Our Executive Headteacher, Miss Lowry, is getting married over the summer holidays. We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate her and her partner David. We sincerely hope that they have a magical day and a lifetime of happiness. When we return to school in September, Miss Lowry will be known as Mrs Blatchford.

Spirit of St Nicholas Award

This special award is presented to just one year 6 pupil each year who has demonstrated the values and virtues of the school throughout his or her time at St Nicholas. On behalf of the staff of St Nicholas, I am very proud to announce that this year's spirit of St Nicholas award goes to Ellie Botting.

Ellie has immense compassion and kindness and is a wonderful friend to everyone. She can brighten a grumpy teacher's day with her smile, make new members of our school community feel welcome with her warmth and is always on hand to offer support and encouragement to her friends. Ellie is a role model for humility; always putting others before herself and giving up her time and efforts to help anyone who needs it.

As well as all this, Ellie shows amazing fortitude and has the most unique ability to turn her struggles into a super power! Congratulations Ellie- you really do model the spirit of St Nicholas!

We would like to say a huge well done to all of the children. School has returned to a 'more normal' way of operating following the COVID restrictions. The children have responded with resilience and energy. We wish our year 6 and other children leaving the school the very best of luck for the next step of their journey and look forward to welcoming the rest of you back in September. Have a wonderful summer break.

Important Dates:

Monday 5th September	Children return to school and can wear summer uniform until October half term
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Disciples of the year			
Compton	Lucy / Jack	Okehampton	Martine / Teegan
Berry Pomeroy	Lissy / Oliver W	Lydford	Ashton / Roman
Plympton	George / Elliot	Dartmouth	Ransh / Ronnie
Totnes	Poppy / Emily	Drogo	Zoe
Kingswear	Alexander / Megan	Nursery	Rafi
Rougemont	Naomi / Cormac	<i>Well done to you all!</i>	

Prayer

May God's blessing go with us today, at the end of this school year we pray.
 That you keep us safe and give us rest, so we start again renewed and refreshed.
 Full of health, full of fun, ready to come and learn again.
 May God's blessings await us next year, to embrace each new challenge without fear.
 Fill this school with your love, and guide our hearts from above.
 Full of faith, full of hope, full of joy, and full of love.
 Amen.

