



# St Nicholas C of E Primary School

October 26th 2018

Term: 1

Newsletter: 7

## School Message

I hate to say it but there has been a buzz of Christmas in the air this week! It is wonderful to see how many children have attended auditions for the annual school pantomime. I know those who have been successful will appreciate parents helping them to learn their lines over the half term break.

I have had the privilege to meet with children over the last two days to look at their English and topic work. It has been lovely to hear them talk about what they have learnt this term and to discuss with them their understanding of how they are learning. A growth mindset was in evidence in all of the children I met with, they spoke of needing to make mistakes so that they learn more and challenge themselves more. There was evidence of all the children trying hard with presentation in all books—a development point for us this term.

Many thanks to everyone who is working on topic homework with your children there are some amazing models that the children are so proud of. Whilst on conference last week we were reminded 'if parents engage with their children's education the attainment of the child will increase by 15%' - so not only are you having lots of fun when you make these items you are also helping your child improve their attainment—a win all around! Please could I remind parents not to allow their children to bring footballs to school. The children must play with a particular size ball (size 4) that is not made of leather, so we will provide balls for the children to play with. Thank you in your support of this.

I hope you all have a safe and fun week with your families..

Kindest regards,  
Nicki Smith

## House Points



This Week - Overall

Huish	68	362
Foxcote	97	513
Tyning	70	372
Ludlow	100	613

## Class Attendance

Frome	98.4%
Tone	95.3%
Somer	94.5%
Dart	93.1%
Brue	97.1%
Avon	98.3%
Mells	82.5%
Kennet	95.0%
Yeo	95.5%
Severn	96.9%

## Poppy Appeal

After half term we will be supporting The Royal British Poppy Appeal by selling their pencil sharpeners, pencils, reflectors, erasers and rulers. The children will be able to purchase these for 50p per item at break time. We will also have poppies available for a small donation.

## Eat Well For Less

'EAT WELL FOR LESS IS BACK' AND BBC ONE ARE LOOKING FOR HOUSEHOLDS TO TAKE PART

Are you in need of some new inspiration or perhaps battling with fussy eaters, repetitive uninspiring meals and food shopping chaos? Maybe you are bored of buying and cooking the same foods every week. BBC program 'Eat well For Less' are currently casting for their sixth series and are looking for families/households who would like to eat well and save money on their weekly shop. The Presenters, Gregg Wallace and Chris Bavan are on a mission to prove that it is possible for families and households to save money on their food budget without scrimping on taste or nutrition. Find out more by calling 01179707670 or Emailing :eatwellat@rdftv.com.

## Save the Date

**Monday 5th November:**

First Day of Term 2

2:30pm - Severn Family Event

3:30pm - Xmas Fayre planning - all welcome

**Tuesday 6th November:**

YR2 Trip to Wells

9:00am - Frome and Tone Family Event

Flu Vaccinations YR R-5

**Friday 9th November**

KS2 Celebration Assembly

**Tuesday 13th November**

9:00am - Yr 5 Parents Event

2:30pm - Yr 4 Parents Event

**Wednesday 14th November**

9:00am - Yr 2 Parents Event

## XMAS FAYRE

Would you like to help with the Christmas Fayre? Then please meet the FUNdraisers after school on Monday 5th November at 3:30pm (children welcome). The more ideas and helping hands we get the better we can make it! If you can't come along to the meeting but would still like to be involved, please let us know on the reply slip of the 'help needed' letter coming home at the start of next term.

Thank you for your Support

## A Time To Talk

In each class ask your child about:

**Frome/Tone:** Can you find some facts out about hedgehogs?

**Somer:** Discuss all the colours in the Autumn leaves

**Dart/Brue:** Can you retell the story of St Andrews?

**Avon:** What was the Ice Age?

**Kennet/Mells:** What animals are found in the Rainforest?

**Yeo:** If you lived in a Saxon village what job would you have and why?

**Severn:** What warning signs of a Tsunami do you know?



## Half Term Activities

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2-4pm.** Annual Family Fossil Hunt on a local coal batch, Meet at the wheel outside Radstock Museum at 2pm promptly. Wear outdoor clothing and shoes, bring a small hammer, goggles provided, not suitable for under 5s, radstockmuseum.co.uk

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November, 10am -12noon.** Autumn-Fest, at Radstock Museum. Games, arts and crafts morning celebrating Autumn. £2.50 per child including all materials and free cup cake. radstockmuseum.co.uk for details.

**Every day during half term** Special Edition Halloween Virtual Reality Coalmine ride at Radstock Museum 11am-5pm (except Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November in the morning) radstockmuseum.co.uk for details

**Every Day** Halloween Hunt at Radstock Museum with free prize. radstockmuseum.co.uk

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 11am.** Halloween Storytime, at Radstock Museum. Suitable for children of all ages. radstockmuseum.co.uk

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 11:30am.** Handle mystery objects from yesteryear and guess what they might have been used for. At Radstock Museum, radstockmuseum.co.uk

**Saturday 3rd November 7pm -** Firework Event at Clarks Village - **Free Entry**

## Rags 2 Riches

Thank you to everyone who recently donated their second hand clothes for the Rags 2 Riches collection. We raised a brilliant **£55.25**. We have three collections a year. The next two will be on **February 14th and June 20th 2019**.

The Fundraisers

## KS2 ONLY Term 2 School Meals

Next term the prices for school dinners for Term 2 will be:

Mondays	£18.20
Tuesdays	£18.20
Wednesdays	£18.20
Thursdays	£18.20
Fridays	£18.20
Everyday	£91.00

If your child would like school meals everyday you are welcome to pay in one £91.00 payment, or if you prefer, send in weekly £13.00 payments on Mondays for the week ahead. Cheques payable to BANES.

Please note all dinners need to be paid for in advance or on the day.

## Spirit Of St Nicks

We have had a wonderful start to our first term of the year. Everyone has settled in well. During the assembly one child from each class was presented with a trophy for their work, outstanding achievements and overall commitment to St Nicholas during Term 1. They will keep the trophy until the next Spirit of St Nicholas Service which will be held at the end of each term.

**Winners for this term. Well done everyone.**

**Somer: Finn R    Dart: Mercedes D**

**Brue: Amelia D    Avon: Phoebe Barnes**

**Kennett: Lewis Palmer    Mells: Gracie Allen**

**Yeo: Kelly Button    Severn: Emma Perrett**