



St Nicholas C of E Primary School

10th January 2020

Term 3

Newsletter 1

School Message

Happy New Year!

I hope that everyone had a lovely Christmas. Lots has happened in many of our families— to those of you who have had new babies congratulations and to those of you who have been unwell I hope you feel better soon. I know many of you have helped out with friends over the Christmas period and this week, thank you so much for ensuring the children get safely to and from school.

We had a super time at the Pantomime this week, the children all behaved beautifully and had a great time.

This week in school we have introduced our new school motto 'Joyous is the person who has wisdom.' If you have the chance please do chat to your children about what this means.

We post photos of school life on our Facebook page—if you haven't already take a look on <https://www.facebook.com/stnicholascofeprimary>

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,
Nicki Smith

House Points



This Week - Overall

Huish	90	1087
Foxcote	91	1032
Tyning	60	980
Ludlow	74	1087

Class Attendance

Cam	98.9%
Lox	92.7%
Brue	99%
Dart	99.5%
Avon	88.9%
Kennet	98.5%
Mells	99%
Yeo	95.1%
Severn	96.9%
Huntspill	96.1%

Census Day - Free School Meals

As you are aware all of the children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal every day. What you won't be aware of is that **the school is not paid for all of these meals unless your child has a meal on census day!** The school is paid for meals based on the average number of children having school meals on these days – this means that if 50 children have a meal on census days but 100 children have meals on the other days we only receive the money for 50 of the children taking the meals each day! This has cost our school approximately £10,000 this year (more than a teaching assistant costs us.) Think how much equipment we could have bought with that money! The next census day is on **Thursday 16th January 2019**. On that day we will be booking every child a meal who is entitled to one and offer it to your child. If you are worried that your child will not eat the lunch please feel free to send a packed lunch as well. If they don't eat their lunch we will offer them the packed lunch – if they do they can take their lunch home for tea!

On Census Day the choice for dinner will be the option for Friday of Fish Fingers and Chips or (V) Sweet Potato Curry and Friday will be the option for Thursday of Beef Bolognese or (V) Cheese, Chive Potato Bake.

Save the Date

Wednesday 15th January

2:15pm Year 2 Parent Event

Friday 17th January

8:55am KS2 Celebration Assembly

Friday 24th January

8:55am KS1 Celebration Assembly

MONDAY 27TH JANUARY INSET DAY

Wednesday 29th January

12:00pm Year2 Family Lunch

Friday 31st January

8:55am KS2 Celebration Assembly

Tuesday 4th February

3:30pm & 5:30pm - Year 6 SATS meeting

Wednesday 5th February

12:30pm Year 3 Family Lunch

Friday 7th February

8:55am KS1 Celebration Assembly

Tuesday 11th February

2:30pm Year 6 Parent Event

Friday 14th

8:55am SPIRIT OF ST NICHOLAS
END OF TERM 3

Outside School Achievements



Congratulations go to Ronny DB who has been awarded Stage 2 in Learn to Swim.

A Time To Talk

In each class ask your child about:



Cam/Lox: Can you name some animals that live in the North Pole?

Brue: Can you name all the split diagraphs?

Dart: Which are the main cities in Scotland?

Avon/Kennet: Give an example of onomatopoeia?

Mells: Which Roman Emperor successfully invaded Britain

Yeo/Severn: What is water resistance?

Huntspill: How do you make vegetable stew and dumplings?

Our Values

This week Year 5 looked at our school values. They each focused on one and wrote a sentence of how they could use this value in our new school term. We also played a game of "Reveal the value" which the children enjoyed.



Free School Meals

This is a good time to suggest that if you receive the eligible benefits for Free School Meals and are not currently registered for Free School Meals (EBB) you should do so now. From September all current Year 2 children will not receive the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM).

Eligible benefits are as follows:

- Universal Credit
- Income Support
- Income-Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (WITHOUT Working Tax Credit) and have an annual household income (as assessed by HMRC) below £16,190
- Working Tax Credit Run-on which is only paid for 4 weeks after you STOP qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- The Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Support under PartV1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

If you think you may be eligible, please apply!

Contact freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk or call into the office for a form.

Keep Safe

Can we please remind you to use the paths when coming into school. Although the gates are shut, cars will still be coming in and out of the car park. We have also had numerous reports of people smoking by the school gates and in groups further up by the basketball courts. Can we all be considerate of others and especially our children who should not be made to walk through puffs of smoke. Thank you for your understanding.

Class Awards

Thomas B	Star of the week	Maths Magician	Wizard Writer
Lox	Noah D	Kyra J	Theo C
Cam	Chelsea H	Riley M	Reece W
Brue	Nora G	Emma S	Thomas B
Dart	Jake C	De'Alla N	Amelia B