

# St Nicholas' CE (VA) Primary School

*Learn, Achieve, Grow: Together*

Term 6 Christian Value is: Thankfulness Big Idea is: Worldly

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## New School Rules

As part of the expansion of our positive behaviour management strategies this term we have removed the Golden Rules and now have just 3 School rules which are much easier for children and staff (and parents) to remember. They are to be **Ready, Respectful and Safe**. These have been introduced to the children and are supporting them to reflect on their behaviour to ensure that they can be the best they can be in all situations. The wrong choice boards have been removed and will no longer be used. Instead we have a restorative system in place where children will be asked to reflect on the impact of their actions on themselves and others and which of the school rules they need to work on.



## KS2 Performance– 11th and 12 July

There will be a separate letter about timings and tickets coming out to all parents in KS2 next week. I have heard some of the rehearsals and it sounds as though this years show is going to be as big, bold and brilliant as ever.

## Sports Day– 14th July

At 12:00 parents are invited to join your child/ren for a picnic on the field. This is a much treasured St Nicholas tradition and will take the same format as previous years. Traditional races will commence shortly after 13:10. If the weather is poor on the day the event will be cancelled by 10:00. We will send out a message on school comms and on the ribbon on the website. There is no back up Sports day date.

## School timings from September:

In line with DfE requirements we will be extending our school day by 10 mins from September. Gates will be open to the school site at 08:30 and this is the time that drop offs can begin. Please do not drop off before 08:30. The bell will ring at 08:40. The end of the day will remain the same, ending at 15:10.

## Year 3– Recorder Performance

We are looking forward to hearing our Year 3 recorders on Tuesday 27th June at 14:15. All year 3 parents are invited to attend as well as parents of those children in Years 4,5 or 6 who have been invited to perform.

## **Staffing:**

“After a robust and rigorous process it was the unanimous decision of the recruitment panel to appoint Sarah Waddington as substantive Deputy Headteacher. The panel were particularly impressed with Sarah’s enthusiasm for and knowledge of the role providing numerous examples of detailed research and professional development she has undertaken that have led to significant impact on children and staff. Her passion for self-development and her attention to detail will be of huge benefit to the school in the years to come. The panel has every confidence she will fulfil her role effectively as a member of SLT and will ensure the success of the school moving forwards.”

*Helen Cullen Chair of Governors*

I am sure you will all want to join me in congratulating Mrs Waddington on her permanent appointment as Deputy Headteacher. She has worked tirelessly alongside me since January to ensure the very best for all of our children and staff, whether that has been through evaluating practice and provision for our SEN children; leading on staff well-being; supporting behaviour management; championing our school to Ofsted or developing more robust Safeguarding approaches. It has been an unsettled 12 months for all of us with changes to leadership and the uncertainty of Interim appointments. I hope that Sarah and I have shown how much we both love this school and care about everyone within the St Nicholas family. We will endeavour to continue to make you proud of being part of that family as we continue on our journey of excellence so that we can all flourish. We hope that having a permanent SLT allows you all to feel excited about the year ahead and optimistic about what we can achieve together. *Mrs Lucy Hill*

We also welcome Miss Wooden to school this week who will be part of the teaching team from September. She will be spending a couple of days with us each week to get to know the children and the school ahead of starting with us in the Autumn term.

## **Diary Dates:**

- 29th June: Class Photographs
- 11th July : Reports Out and KS2 Production
- 12th July: KS2 Production
- 14th July: Sports Day
- 17th July: Bump Up Day
- 20th July: Worldly Day and Y6 Leavers Service (Y6 parents only)
- 21st July: Last Day of Term

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