

# St Nicholas' CE (VA) Primary School

*Learn, Achieve, Grow: Together*

**Term 1    Christian Value is: Friendship    Big Idea is: Skillful**



**Friday 15th September**

**Issue 2**

Good Afternoon,

We are so incredibly proud of how our children have settled in to their new classes. Badgers are already lining up and walking into school beautifully each morning and have quickly adapted to new routines and making new friends. Our Year 6 children have been writing letters of application and having interviews for roles in the school such as Prefect, Eco Warriors, Librarians, Play Leaders and Admin Officers to name but a few. The quality of the applications was outstanding and clearly demonstrated how well our children know and value our school ethos and being part of the St Nicholas family. We know they will be a fantastic cohort of role models for the younger children and we are really proud of them already. Children in Year 6 will find out which role they have been selected for by the end of next week.



It's great to be back and **Raring2go!** for the Autumn term

The Autumn magazine is out now and is available for you and your families. It's got lots of ideas of things to do this Autumn.

It covers events and activities throughout September, Oct and early November.

<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/salisbury/autumn2023/>



## **Harvest– McMillan cake sale: Wednesday 4th October**

As part of our harvest celebrations we will be running a McMillan Coffee morning after the Church service and we will hold the this in the school hall. All families and member of the community are welcome to join us. If any cake donations can be brought to the school office the evening before or on the morning that would be much appreciated.



## **Reminders:**

- **Individual School Photos** On Wednesday 20th September you can bring your child's pre school siblings to school from 08:20 for sibling photographs if you would like to. Please come to the main reception door where you will be directed by Ms Glover. During the normal photo session each child will have an individual picture and also one with any in school sibling.
- **Use of Social Media:** Please remember if you have any concerns, as a school we operate an open door policy. Please pop in or call if you wish to share any concerns or queries you may have. We do not use individual emails for teachers but any emails that come to the office are forwarded directly to them. Whilst Whatsapp groups can be useful for class reminders e.g. PE days it is not a formal school channel we use and we recommend keeping them friendly and useful. Thank you.
- **Reception 2024.** We are now conducting regular tours for Reception intake 2024. If you have family or friends who have children of this age then please point them towards the Admissions page of our website for further details.
- **Coats.** Please ensure your child has a waterproof coat with them every day as we head into more unsettled weather.



### **Parking and Driving carefully though the village.**

We sent out a reminder earlier this week about ensuring that parents respect our one way system and do not park on double yellow lines. Unfortunately not all parents are adhering to this currently and it is causing a dangerous environment for our children and community each morning. Please drive safely and considerately. If this continues we will ask the Police to come and monitor the situation.



### **Parent Consultations**

Parent Consultations are on 10th and 12th October. This is an opportunity to meet your child's new teacher and to hear how they have settled in to the expectations of their new year group and to ask any questions you might have e.g. how to support your child at home. The focus of this meeting is on settling in, friendships and expectations. Academic progress and results will be shared at the parent consultations in the Spring Term and through reports in the summer term.

All parent consultations will be conducted in the school hall. Make your way to reception and down the stairs and then you will find benches where you can wait for your time slot.

To our families who have been with us for a while I can announce that this year we will be doing online bookings for parent consultations. These will be though our website provide and we hope that this will make the booking process simpler for all our parents. More information about this will come our nearer the time.

### **Important Reminders:**

#### **Upcoming Diary Dates:**

#### **Every Wednesday: Chaplain days**

#### **September:**

20th : Individual School Photos  
21st: Y3 trip to Stonehenge  
28th: Y2: Trip to Old Sarum Castle

#### **October:**

4th Harvest+McMillan coffee morning– Church service. All welcome  
10th and 12th: Parent Consultations  
16th: Skillful day  
17th: Open afternoon from 14:15 all welcome  
18th: SCHOOL CLOSED Teacher training  
19th: half term begins

#### **November:**

13th-17th– Anti Bullying Week

Mrs Lucy Hill, Headteacher