



Headteacher: Mrs Lorraine Collins BA (hons), MA

8th November 2024

Our Value this half term is Perseverance

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

We will be marking **Remembrance Day** in school on Monday (11th November). Children who are members of uniformed organisations such as Brownies and Cubs are welcome to wear that uniform to school on Monday instead of school uniform.

Poppies and accessories will still be on sale in school on Monday. If you would like your child to buy something, please send money in with them in a named envelope. Thank you.

Achievements

Each week we will be focusing on a learning behaviour and one or two children who display this behaviour in each class will receive a certificate in celebration of this. Our learning behaviour this week has been **Independence**.

Congratulations to:

Y1: Arya **Y2:** Amelia; **Y3:** Tamara, Tolu, David, Ryder;
Y4: Brodie, William; **Y5:** Kevin, Emily; **Y6:** Amba.

Next week will be focusing on **Listening**.

Sporting Achievements

We're excited to have received an Equal Access School award 2024. Please find a message from Mr Wilkinson below:

"Congratulations on achieving equal access to girls' football across all key stages. Fostering an inclusive environment where every student can develop their skills and passion for Football."

Mr L Wilkinson



Over the last couple of weeks concerns about AI chatbots have been raised in the media and you may have read about the AI platform called Character.ai. If you've never heard of this platform, it's basically a chatbot service where users (13+) can create and/or chat with existing chatbots. Internet Matters have produced a [useful overview article](#) so you can understand more about it. As always, our advice is to keep talking to your child about their online activities and be aware of the dangers as well as the advantages of ever-advancing technology.

Diary Dates

- **Monday 11th November** – Remembrance Day
- **Friday 22nd November** – INSET Day – School Closed
- **Wednesday 4th December** – Y2 Christmas Journey (pm)
- **Wednesday 11th December** – Years 1 and 2 Nativity in school at **9:30am**. Parents and Carers welcome.
- **Thursday 12th December** – Years 1 and 2 Nativity in school at **2pm**. Parents and Carers welcome.
- **Monday 16th December** – Years 3 - 6 Carol Service in church at **1:45pm**. Parents and Carers welcome.
- **Tuesday 17th December** – Nursery and Reception Nativity in school at **9:30am**.
- **Wednesday 18th December** – Christmas Jumper day
- **Wednesday 18th December** – Pantomime in school
- **Wednesday 18th December** – School Christmas Lunch
- **Thursday 19th December** – Christingle service in school
- **Friday 20th December** – Last Day of Term – Early Finish 1.30pm – No After School Club
- **Monday 6th January 2025** – Back to School

Reception and Nursery Applications for September 2025 are now open. Please see following poster and this page on our website for details: [St Nicholas CoE \(VA\) Primary School & Nursery - Admissions \(stnicholas120.herts.sch.uk\)](http://www.stnicholas120.herts.sch.uk)

Have a great weekend! Mrs Collins

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"But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love forever and ever." Psalm 52:8



St Nicholas Primary School and Nursery

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Reception and Nursery 2025 School Tour Dates are now available

We would like to invite all prospective parents to join us for a tour of our wonderful school. This is an ideal opportunity to see our whole school in action and to ask any questions you may have.

St Nicholas offer 30 hours Nursery provision (subject to entitlement).

Breakfast & After School Clubs are available.

Please call the school office on 01438 352706 for any further information and to arrange a visit.

