## St. Nicholas C of E Primary School



## Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school after our half term holiday.

The weather recently has been atrocious and we may still be in for more rain—or worse! It is extremely unlikely that we would ever have enough snow on the Fylde Coast for us to have to close the school, but just a reminder that if we ever did have to close the school, we would let you know via the school app (ParentApp), our Twitter account (@stnicholas14), Radio Wave, the School Website or a text would be sent to all parents.

We are holding our second Parents Evenings of the academic year next week on Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th March from 4pm until 7pm. Please book in using the Parent Portal on Arbor or contact the school office for a suitable appointment. We encourage all parents to come to talk to staff about the progress made by your child so far this year.

We are now in the Church Season of Lent—this started on Ash Wednesday with Father Martin coming to lead our worship and allowing the children to receive ash on their foreheads if they wanted. It was a reminder to everyone that Lent is not always about giving something up—we are encouraging the children to add something extra to their lives—for example— do more at home to help, try to do more reading at home, pray more frequently, try to recycle more items at home or at school, or give to charity. I hope you can support the children with this—please ask them about Lent and what they will do 'extra' in this special season.

Míss C Taylor (Headteacher)

### Thank you!

A huge thank you from Mrs Bartlett and the children for your kind donations of waterproof coats/clothing and wellies! We had some super warm coats too!



Congratulations to Mrs Bartlett!

We are now an approved Forest School Provider.



#### Poetry Fortnight.

St Nicholas poetry fortnight will begin on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. During this time, children will be writing their own poems in school but we would also like children to recite/perform a poem off by heart too. Children will be asked to recite their poem to their class on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March and each class will choose two children to put forward to the poetry recital in the hall on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May. We will have some very special visitors into school to judge the recital and prizes will be awarded for winners from Reception, Year1 § 2, Years 3 § 4 and Years 5 § 6.

If you would like some top tips on performing poems, please see the Youtube video by Michael Rosen – 'Michael Rosen's top tips for performing poems and stories'.





#### World Book Day—5th March

St Nicholas will be celebrating World Book Day 2020 on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. This year, we would like your child to bring in / create a box or jar filled with clues as to what their favourite book is. The boxes / jars need to be brought into school on World Book Day and they will be shared with the class. Here are some ideas...







#### Plastic Free School Group

The Plastic Free School group organised an assembly to inform the rest of the school about plastic pollution and what we can do to reduce our waste. They introduced our partner school in South Africa and how they are also working to reduce their waste.

The group asked children to bring into school reusable water bottles

instead of single-use plastic bottles, to encourage parents to use reusable shopping bags and use Tupperware instead of cling film. They have also started to work with Teracycle to recycle crisp packets.





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Fun for all the family!

Lots of prizes to be won!

5.30pm - 7pm 25th March 2020.

Pre-book your tickets—Adults £3.50, Children £1.40

Includes choice of supper— hot pot or vegetarian option and hot dogs for children.

Price includes your bingo cards!

Please purchase tickets through parentpay or email ptfastnicholasbpl@yahoo.com for more information.

# Lots of Easter Prizes to be WON!

#### Diary Dates for March 2020

Monday 2nd March - Poetry Fortnight begins

Tuesday 3rd March - Show Racism the Red Card event

with group of Y6 children at BFC

Wednesday 4th March - Parents' Evening 4pm—7pm

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day—bring your jar /

box of clues

Parents' Evening 4pm—7pm

Friday 6th March - 9am - 2LT Worship in the hall

Thursday 12th March - Y6 Vikings day

Friday 13th March - Poetry Recital in the hall—9am

Monday 16th March - Y5 Tower Ballroom Dance event

6.30pm

Friday 20th March - 9am - 2GH Worship in the hall

Monday 23rd March - Choir of the Year Competition

Wednesday 25th March - Easter Bingo 5.30pm

Friday 3rd April - School closes for Easter holiday

- Easter Egg Hunt

