

School Newsletter

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Dear Parents & Carers,

This week, the school value of koinonia has really shone through with the school's phenomenal PTFA team arranging a plethora of exciting Christmas events for the children. Father Christmas came to visit on Wednesday and every single child across the school received a gift. This unbelievably generous event couldn't have happened without the support of volunteers on the PTFA and sponsorship from the local community. We thank you all for your generosity in ensuring no child misses out at Christmas. You are all superstars! Please see the PTFA pages below for full details. There still time to sign up to some of their other upcoming events, including wreath making on Monday, so please don't miss out.

Reception class experienced their first Christingle service this morning and it was lovely to invite in Year 6 and Year R parents to experience this with them. As always, there was a special treat waiting for the children on their return to class and the magic of Christmas really shone across the school. Thank you to Aiden in Year 6 who proudly led the procession as St Nicholas himself!

On Thursday we welcomed parents in for Christmas decoration making and even though Mr Low was being very Grinch-like and banned glitter this year, there was still some beautiful decorations produced to go up on the trees.

We've had some excellent sporting success this week with both our boys football team and school swimming team competing. The boys reached the semi-final of their football tournament which was a fantastic result in very wet and windy conditions. Well done boys! Our swimming team produced a remarkable performance, coming in third overall in the local swimming gala. This is our best ever result and was even more impressive considering we had been entered against some of the larger local schools who have much bigger teams. There were some outstanding individual performances and lots of medals. Look out for full details on our Facebook page and newsletter next week.

Have great weekend!

Mr Low & Mrs Simmons







Christingle Service







Christmas at St Nics

Mon 9th Dec	Christmas Wreath Making 5:00pm	For parents (ticketed event—see PTFA posters for details)
Tues 10th Dec	Mufti For Christmas Family Bingo Night	Please donate items from Christmas aisle
Thurs 12th Dec	KS1 Performance 9:45am	All welcome (ticketed event)
Fri 13th Dec	KS1 Performance am 9:45am	All welcome (ticketed event)
Mon 16th Dec	KS2 Performance pm 1:30pm	All welcome (ticketed event)
Tue 17th Dec	KS2 Performance pm 9:30am	All welcome (ticketed event)
Wed 18th Dec	Christmas Dinner (Yr 4, Yr5, Yr6 , Midford)	Children only (Christmas jumpers and/or accessories allowed)
Thur 19th Dec	Christmas Dinner (Reception, Yr1, Yr 2, Yr 3, Wellow, Pre-School)	Children only (Christmas jumpers and/or accessories allowed)
Thur 19th Dec	Carol Service (pm)	All Welcome
Thurs 19th Dec	Christmas Family Bingo Night 5:00pm	All welcome (see PTFA poster for details)
Friday 20th Dec	Spirit of St Nicholas Assembly 9:00am	All welcome
Friday 20th Dec	School finish (12:30 Yr R—Yr 6) (1:00 Midford + Wellow)	(Christmas jumpers and/or accessories allowed)

Friends Of St Nic's PTFA

We have had a really busy week, with Elfridges on Monday, grotto building on Tuesday evening, and a very special visitor on Wednesday! Father Christmas came to see us, and made sure every single child got a gift. This was made possible by the generosity of local businesses and individuals. We managed to raise £900 of donations, along with a beautiful real tree from Tesco, and a case of candy canes from Co-Op. We have a couple more events coming up, with our popular Wreath making on Monday evening, and Christmas Bingo on the 19th December. We will also be selling refreshments at the beginning of the KS1 and KS2 plays. We still have spaces available for Wreath making, and you are welcome to bring friends and family - you can book on Parent Pay, and there is a chance to win a fantastic hamper on the night!











We would like to say a huge thankyou to the following people and businesses who sponsored the PTFA events! Please show your appreciation by checking out the links below.			
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Radco for the candy canes			
Lidl Midsomer Norton for the Christmas tree.			



MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER 5PM

> £15 / regular £20 / large

Ticket includes a drink and a festive treat! Raffle tickets for sale on the night at £1 each

Refreshments available to purchase



2024-2025 SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES

Including INSET DAYS

TERM 1			
Start:	Monday 2nd September		
Finish:	Friday 25th October		
TERM 2			
Start:	Monday 4th November		
Finish:	Friday 20th December		
TERM 3			
Start:	Monday 6th January		
Finish:	Friday 14th February		
TERM 4			
Start:	Monday 24th February		
Finish:	Friday 4th April		
TERM 5			
Start:	Tuesday 22nd April		
Finish:	Friday 23rd May		
TERM 6			
Start:	Monday 2nd June		
Finish:	Tuesday 22nd July		
INSET DAYS			
Monday 2nd September 2024			
Tuesday 3rd September 2024			
Friday 25th October 2024			
Monday 6th January 2025			
Wednesday 18th June 2025			

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Saturday 11th January, 2.30 - 7.00 pm Open to Current Years 2, 3 & 4 boys

Rehearse with the Cathedral Choir, perform at Evensong & experience life at CCCS. Cathedral Chorister school fees are subsidised with additional bursary support available.

> Sign up: cccs.org.uk/beachorister Email: registrar@cccs.org.uk



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Gift a Coat

FREE warm items of clothing for adults and children are available at Bath Central Library, Bath Housing, Welfare & Advice Services, Midsomer Norton Library & Keynsham Library for people to take what they need.

Children's knitted jumpers are also available to take from Radstock Community Run Library.

> Bath & North East Somerset Council Improving People's Lives

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- Choose from a flat 2km or 5km route
- Free medal for all runners
- Raise funds for Bath Mind's local mental health services







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Kingfisher Room

Our new nursery room accommodates children from 2 to 3 years old with a wide range of resources and equipment to support a young child's development. Robin Room Robin room accommodates children with additional needs. Run by Hayley, our Senco and supported by a range outside professionals. Activities are planned around children's individual needs.



Nightingale Room The preschool room accommodates children from 3 to 5 years old. In this room, we promote independence and resilience as the children prepare to transition to school.

Open 8.30am to 3.30pm Term time sessions available Call now on 01761 435067 to arrange a viewing.

Volunteers welcome, no time commitment, no pressure!



Does joining the PTFA bring you out in a Do you want to help in some way but feel like you can't commit loads of time?



UGH, NOT THE

DREADED

PTFA...

cold sweat?!

Email us at stnicsradstock.ptfa@gmail.com

Or message us on Facebook @friendsofstnics

We'll add you to our volunteers Facebook group. We'll message when we need help and if you can, super! If not, we'll catch you next time, no pressure!



AFTER SCHOOL AWESOMENESS!

RAZY CLAY

CREATIVITY

We celebrate Kindness, Creativity, Curiosity and Courage. At St Nicholas Primary Church School this week we have seen some awesome clay creations!

@super_pirates superpirates.co.uk



Occupational Therapy Advice Line

Children's

Do you have any questions about a child or young



Bath & North East Somerset Libraries

Design a Bookmark Competition

Calling all artists 13 and under!

It's the end of our centenary year and to take us into the next 100 years we would like a bookmark to use in all our libraries.

Could yours be the winning design?

Use this box for your design and drop off at any of our libraries in Keynsham, Midsomer Norton, Bath Central or the Mobile Library.

But hurry, deadline for entries is Saturday 14 December at 12pm.

Name: Library card number: Contact details of parent/carer:





Years 1-6
Ofsted registered
Tax Free childcare
HHH Funded spaces

Christmas Holiday Clubs Happy Healthy Holiday funded spaces plus paid for spaces!

St Johns Primary School, Midsomer Norton

9–3pm (HHH, 9-1pm extend play to 3. Look out for your unique code to book)

> Monday 23rd December Thursday 2nd January Friday 3rd January





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CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

Saturday 7 + Saturday 14 Dec - 10am-4pm, Sunday 8 Dec 2pm-4pm

Sustainably UK farmed high quality Nordmann firs. Pre-order for collection / buy on the day. <u>Visit our website</u> to find out more / pre-order (see below)



CHRISTMAS FAIR + SANTA'S GROTTO

Saturday 7 Dec - 10am-2pm

Magical stalls, fantastic prizes, beautiful Christmas trees and Santa's Garden Grotto. <u>Santa's Grotto</u> £5pp incl. a small gift Tickets can be booked via our website (see below)



WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP 🕷

Sunday 8 Dec - 2pm-4pm

Learn how to make a stunning natural wreath with expert wreath maker, Marina Beere.

<u>Tickets £35pp</u> incl. refreshments + materials. Book via our website (see below)

Where? Riverside Youth Hub (behind Richer Sounds, London Rd) BA1 6AE

Find out more / book www.mentoringplus.net/events

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