



# St Nicks Weekly News

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

## Pinocchio Pantomime

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December (morning) Foundation Stage 2 and KS1 pupils will visit Parkway.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December (morning) KS2 will visit Parkway.

Please can we ask that you return your consent form back to school as soon as possible and the £2.50 parental contribution for the trip can be paid online via your parent pay accounts. All contributions are greatly appreciated. Thank you.

A huge thank you to the Friends of the School for generously contributing towards this trip.

### Headteachers Message

Another hectic week here at St Nicks and I think everyone is beginning to feel the effects of an 8 week half term! Foundation Stage Two had a great time on their trip to the Pumpkin Patch and behaved beautifully throughout the visit. A huge thank you to Farmer Oli at Butts Farm for hosting them.

Your child may start talking to you about our four core values here at St Nicks. These are respect, resilience, community and nurture. Over the course of the year we will focus on these with all of the children and further develop their understanding of them. These four values have been chosen as we feel they are important to us here at St Nicks.

Next week is our final week before half term. Please consider supporting the Halloween Bake Sale and Non Uniform Day as these are raising vital funds to help us provide opportunities for the children.

### Friends Of The School Events

\*Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October – Non Uniform Day and Halloween Bake Sale after school

\*Christmas Raffle - We are planning another raffle like the one we did in May, we are reaching out to people for prizes so you may start to see prizes arrive. If you could let us know we will collect them as soon as possible.

\*Wreath Making - We sent out a message to say if there was enough interest we would look to put on a workshop, there was enough, so we are looking at dates now. This is an adult only evening event, priced at £30.

Christmas Disco is also planned - we will release the date nearer the time.

### *Dates for your diary*

- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Oct – finish for half term
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Nov – return to school
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Nov – Flu vaccinations
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov – Parent consultations
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov – Parent consultations
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec - Rudolph charity run
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec - Christmas dinner day
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Finish for Christmas

### YEAR 5/6 AFTER SCHOOL RUGBY CLUB

Tigers Trust will be running a new after school club starting Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November straight after school until 4.30pm

If your child would like to attend please return the consent letter handed out this week.

Places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis and a text will be sent to parents to confirm the place.

# School Dinner Menu WC -23/10/2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Ham, Mediterranean Pasta Bake	Italian Style Pepperoni (optional) Pizza pocket	Slow Braised Diced Beef & Yorkshire Pudding	Chicken, Rainbow Rice & Korma Sauce	Crispy Fish Nuggets & Tomato Sauce
Crusty Roll Sweetcorn Carrots	Jacket Potato Baked Beans sweetcorn	Mashed Potato Green Cabbage & Baby Carrots	Naan Bread Mixed Vegetables	Chunky Chips (v) Garden peas(v) Bread & sweetcorn
Chocolate Oat Delight & Custard	Viennese Biscuit & Peaches	Chocolate Orange Sponge & Cream	Ice Cream Roll & Fruit Cocktail	Raspberry Bun
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Fresh Fruit or Low Fat Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit or Low Fat Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit or Low Fat Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit or Low Fat Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit or Low Fat Yoghurt

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11<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Stakeholder

Upon creation, a Multi Academy Trust becomes an admissions authority; this means the trust is responsible for setting the admissions arrangements for the schools within its organisation. When changes are proposed to admission arrangements, all admission authorities must consult on their admission arrangements (including any supplementary information form) that will apply for admission applications the following school year. Where the admission arrangements have not changed from the previous year there is no requirement to consult, subject to the requirement that admission authorities must consult on their admission arrangements at least once every 7 years, even if there have been no changes during that period.

We now need to consult pursuant to the above paragraph which states that admissions authorities must consult when changes are proposed to admission arrangements. In this instance, this is because Edukos Trust is now responsible for Beverley St Nicholas Primary School

### Consultation Notice

Below is Edukos Trust's Consultation Notice

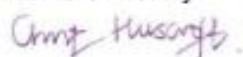
By law, we are required to provide you with the following information:

- our proposed published admission number for entry into Reception;
- a map of the school's catchment area;
- our admissions policy, detailing our oversubscription criteria and details of how all preferences will be ordered should we have more applications for places than places available;
- details on how in-year applications should be made;
- if you are an interested party, how you can respond to our consultation;
- the deadline for responses.

Further information can be found on the Trust's website by Following this link

<https://www.edukos.co.uk/consultation-process/#:::text=Consultation%20for%20Admissions>

Yours sincerely



Chris Huscroft | CEO



Mr Chris Huscroft  
Chief Executive Officer

Miss Alison Oxtoby  
Executive Head Teacher

# Attendance

We acknowledge some school absences cannot be avoided and recognise sensitive consideration is given when decisions are made for children not to attend school. The Local Authority and Government guidance is very clear in terms of term time holidays and unless exceptional circumstances can be evidenced, term time holidays will not be authorised and Penalty Notices may be relevant. Further information can be accessed at <https://www.gov.uk/schoolattendance-absence>.

The Government's national expectation is that attendance is above 96% - this is equivalent to 7 days absence in a year. The following table shows the number of days off for each equivalent %.

%	Days Absent
85	29 days off
86	27 days off
87	25 days off
88	23 days off
89	21 days off
90	19 days off
91	17 days off
92	15 days off
93	13 days off
94	11 days off
95	9 days off
96	7 days off
97	5 days off
98	4 days off
99	2 days off
100	0 days off

As a school we are working very hard to make sure children do not have gaps in their knowledge and understanding particularly in maths and English. Parents are reminded that they should not book holidays in term time as this has a significant effect on a child's progress.

## School Attendance Target 2022/2023

Our target for attendance this year is 96%.

Evidence shows that good attendance is a key factor in enabling children to reach their potential. Our attendance has slowly been improving and we are committed to working with parents to achieve our target.

### Absence during term time

The headteacher is unable to authorise absence unless there are exceptional circumstances. Exceptional circumstances include occasions where the timing of an event is outside of your control, such as a close family wedding or funeral. Exceptional circumstances are events that are not going to occur again. In the overwhelming majority of cases, family holidays do not meet this criteria.

If there are exceptional circumstances, parents are asked to write to the headteacher, giving a full explanation of the exceptional circumstances and provide evidence to support your application. You will then be informed as to whether the absence can be authorised.

As a school, we follow the East Riding Policy and guidelines and will automatically be referring 10 or more unauthorised sessions (5 days) to the East Riding. A penalty notice and fine will then be issued.

As a school, we are working extremely hard to improve the educational experience for children in our school and to maximise their progress and learning. We ask that you continue to support us by ensuring that your children are in school during term time.



## Requests for absence from school in exceptional circumstances and penalty notices

You are required under the Education Act (1996) to ensure your child attends school regularly. If your child accrues 10 consecutive sessions of unauthorised absence you may be liable for a penalty notice (one days absence equals two sessions and a five day absence is equal to 10 sessions).

An unauthorised absence is any absence that the headteacher has not given permission for or where an explanation has not been provided by the parents.

Parents must complete a request for absence from school in exceptional circumstances form and submit this to the school, allowing for sufficient time to enable the school to consider the request and inform parents of the decision.

Where parents do not follow the school's procedures of submitting a request and simply remove their child without seeking prior approval, a warning may not be given and you may be liable for a penalty notice.

If your request is declined or you do not follow the correct procedure and you still take your child out of school, each parent within your household may be issued with a £60 penalty notice for each child you have taken out of school. If a penalty notice remains unpaid after 21 days, it will increase to £120. If after 28 days it remains unpaid, you may be summonsed to appear before Magistrates to explain why your child has unauthorised school absences and you may be liable for a fine of up to £1000.

## Absence through illness or medical appointments

If your child is ill, we ask that you please ring the office on the morning of their absence. If for any reason your child is not at school and we haven't received a message we will make a courtesy call home to you to ensure your child is safe.

## Late arrivals

Our school day starts as soon as your child arrives and begins with the teaching of reading. Reading is our highest priority as this gives access to the full curriculum for your child and all of our staff are firmly committed to ensuring every child is 'a reader'.

If your child continues to arrive late to school, this opportunity is missed and is detrimental to their educational attainment and attendance levels. Low levels of school attendance impacts upon your child's school experience overall and this could develop into a significant barrier to their future options and career aspirations.

- Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year.
- Arriving 15 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 2 weeks a year.
- Arriving 30 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 19 days a year.

Please be reassured we are here to help and would really appreciate contact from you in the event you may wish to discuss this with us. Working in partnership with our families is our focus and prioritising your child's education and wellbeing is our ultimate aim.

## Children In Need

On Friday 17th November we will be holding a sponsored 'Obstacle Fun Run' for Children in Need. Children can come to school in non-uniform, but please make sure it is appropriate to run an obstacle course in! If your child would like to join in with the fundraising, please sign up at [www.runpudsey.co.uk/school/beverley-st-nicholas-primary-school](http://www.runpudsey.co.uk/school/beverley-st-nicholas-primary-school) using the school code B386.

