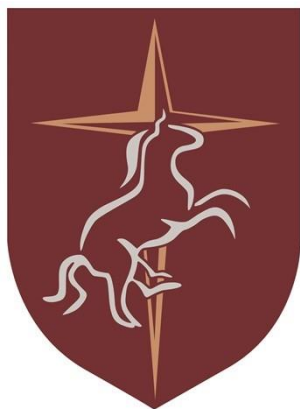




St. Nicholas Church School

Friday 11th July 2025



We have continued to talk about the journey of growth this week and heard more of the story of Moses. We were reminded that growth is not about continuous development and always getting better, but that we are constantly going up and down in our journey towards improvement. We talked about how we never start a journey at the bottom, as we always have something that we can build on, and that we often drop early in the journey.

The story of Moses had many ups and downs, but he went from being a junior prince with his people in slavery to being the leader of a free people who were safe from the Egyptians. It is the same for us- we do not learn and grow in a steady upward line, but have dips and troughs, peaks and plateaus. If we remember this, then we can understand when we are finding things hard that it is just part of the learning process, and an important part of growth.

Moving up day

The children have spent time with their new teachers this week and begun to explore their new classrooms. It is all change this year, with only a very small number of children having the same teacher that they have had this year- an unusual situation for St Nicholas.

The classroom structure for next year is as follows:

Butterfly Class (Yr R, 1 and 2)- Mrs Connor and Mrs Iqbal

Ladybird Class (Yr 3 and 4)- Mrs Hopson and Mr Pavey

Hedgehog Class (Yr 5 and 6)- Miss Stokes

Mrs Iqbal is a new member of teaching staff who will be teaching on Monday and Tuesday in Butterflies. It has been great to meet her and for her to meet the children, and she and Mrs Connor will work closely together to ensure a great start to school for our youngest children and continuing education for Years 1 and 2.

Year 5 Wow Day

On Wednesday Year 5 went to King Arthur's school for a chance to experience secondary school. They worked together in groups to plan and market a new chocolate bar for Willy Wonka's factory. Particularly well done to Toby who won a prize for his excellent rap!



Celebrations

	Dojo winners	Dojo runners up	Star worker	Role model
Hedgehogs	Scarlett R and Maisie B	Kenny and Grace W	William	Amy
Ladybirds	Sebastian and Curtis	Cam and Jude	Mia and Teddy	Oliver and Mikey
Butterflies	Esther and Harry	Daisy and Jack	Emmy	Logi
Dragonflies	Carter	Aurelia and Freddie	Finley	Reggie

It was also great to hear from Sebastian about his achievements in Taekwon-Do.



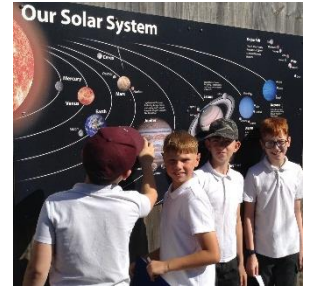
Ladybirds mummification

Ladybird Class has been investigating Ancient Egyptian mummification. They have put tomatoes as human organs into jars. One jar had been prepared like an Egyptian mummy and one had not. It was interesting to see the difference between the two after two months- the mummified tomatoes almost looked edible!



Hedgehogs quiz

Year 6 have made good use of the display boards around our school to create a quiz where the answers can be found all around the playground. They challenged each other and Year 5 to find the answers. Well done for creating such an interesting challenge around so many different areas of learning!



Mrs Crabb

It was wonderful to see Mrs Crabb yesterday. Unfortunately, Mrs Crabb has been off due to the sad passing of her husband Jason. I am sure that you will join me in sending thoughts and best wishes to her and the family at this sad time.

Bringing equipment into school

To avoid arguments and the misplacing of objects at this late period of the year, we would ask that that children do not bring playtime equipment into school.

Hot dinners

We are currently in the process of changing suppliers for hot dinner. Ordering for these will be available in the summer holidays and you will receive an email about this when they are live. Ordering will be straight from the suppliers so you will be sent a link and further instructions.

National Book Tokens

National book tokens are running a competition to support reading resources and library spaces across the country. They are offering £1000 towards books for the winning school, as well as £300 towards developing the library space, and the more nominations we get, the higher the chance of winning. You could also win £100 in book tokens for yourself by nominating us. [Enter here.](#)

Bikes and scooters

We have had an increase in children riding their bikes and scooters on the playground at the start and end of the day. It is brilliant that they are able to come to school in such an active and environmentally way, but this also raises concerns around parents or younger children being hit by fast moving vehicles. Please can all children push bikes or scooters while on school grounds.

Uniform

Please remember that children must wear school uniform in school unless an amendment has been agreed with the class teacher. This is explained on the school website. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to me or a member of staff. We have a good selection of nearly new uniform which can be obtained from the school office.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 15th July- 2.00: Sports Day

Tuesday 22nd July- End of Term fun day- details to follow

Wednesday 23rd July- End of term- leaver's service 2:30

I hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Mr Pavey