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Whole school half termly focus:
Supporting and understanding one another.

Whole school Christian Values for this half term:
Friendship & Trust

(See Values letter on our website in our newsletter section)

Dear Parents/Guardians

We have had a great sunny, busy week and everyone is really getting in to the swing of things now. The children have been so helpful and responsible - a huge thank you to three of our Year 6 Owls - Chloe B, Alfie E and Thomas - for assembling our new school houses' banners.

Thank you to all our families for being so cautious with colds etc. We have had almost 20% of the school off with runny noses, sore throats etc. Thankfully no one is showing Covid-19 symptoms.

Reminder of the 3 main Covid-19 symptoms
 (from Public Health England)

- **A high temperature** - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back.
- **A new, continuous cough** - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual.)
- **A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** - this means you have noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

Next week's start ups:

- Early Birds (Breakfast Club from 7:55am) & Tea Birds (3:15pm - 5:15pm)
- PE Coach (Miss Lane) re-joins us.
- Hot meals from The Inn, Horsington

Weekly Class Dojo Winners 🐉🦋🐞🦉

Well done to all of our determined learners - all of our children have had a great week and we are very proud of them all.

Here are our class winners:

Dragonfly - Year R winners = **Jude & Mikey**

Butterfly - Year 1 winners = **George, Amy & Freddie**

Year 2 winner = **McKenzie**

Ladybird - Year 3 winner = **Izabella**

Year 4 winners = **Noah & Frankie**

Hedgehog - Year 5 winner = **Finley W**

Owl - Year 6 winners = **Chloe B & Nathaniel**

Weekly Whole Class Role Models 🧠

Congratulations for having an excellent attitude to learning, showing kind hands to others and for using good manners.

Dragonfly - **Jude**

Butterfly - **George**

Ladybird - **Izzy**

Hedgehog - **Kayci & Jaydon**

Owl - **Alfie**

School House Teams

5 dojos = 1 house point (1 high five)

10 dojos = 2 house points (2 high fives)

15 dojos = 3 house points (3 high fives)

Congratulations to Willow House for winning last week. Here are our whole school points:

Willow - 39

Oak - 36

Ash - 34

Beech - 33

Who will be the worthy winners this week? Look out for the banner on our school field.

Flu Vaccination for ALL pupils in our school

Today, Mrs Crosby has sent out your letter about this - **please read and complete the online consent form on/before FRIDAY 25th September.**

The nursing team will come in on 21st October from 1pm to do each class.

Reminder:

We get free fruit and vegetables for all Year R, 1 and 2 pupils. If you wish to send in your own morning fruit/vegetable snack for break times, then this is fine. Please also ensure your child has their water bottle each day. We encourage all children in all classes to keep hydrated throughout the school day.

In Year R, the children set them out on a tray and can access them when they wish.

Class pages - our school website

Please do read what your child's teacher is posting on their class folder - homework, timetables etc are on there for you.

School prayer for children to use in our Collective Worship Assemblies:

*Dear Lord - help me to use -
My voice for kindness
My ears for compassion
My hands for charity
My mind for truth and
My heart for love.
Amen*

We will be planning for Harvest soon so we will be in touch about, once again, supporting the Lord's Larder, Yeovil.

Non-perishable goods can be collected again this year.

Safeguarding - E-Safety

A Digital Parenting Booklet has been sent home to KS2 pupils. Please do spend time reading this and talking to your child about staying safe on line

Thank you to Jess's dad who has offered to come in and paint all of our benches. If anyone else would like to help him, please do speak with me.

Reminders - Health & Safety

Firstly - congratulations to our staff team. A very special thank you to Mrs Crosby and Mrs Billington who continue to work very hard to ensure we have the correct resources in school. We are pleased to announce our H&S Covid Audit went very well indeed this week. All systems are as they should be and we do not need to take any further action as all steps are being taken to ensure the safety of staff and pupils here at St Nicholas in light of Covid.

General

Please ensure your child stands safely beside you in the morning at drop off and afternoon pick up. Your child is your responsibility before they enter our school site via our agreed entrances/times. The road is close to the path so you do need to keep your child beside you. Children should not be running around on the grassy area outside Owl Classroom/school office. Thank you for working with us on this.

Coming up -

New **social distancing signs** around our school - if you are closer than 2m away from another adult, please do wear your face mask. Reminder signs on **hand washing** throughout the school day.

*Thank you for your support - have a sunny, happy weekend. From us all at St Nicholas
Alison Shearer*