



Newsletter

Friday 13th January 2023

www.stnicholasliverpool.co.uk is filled with the latest information about our school.

**School closes for February Half Term on Thursday 9th February at 3.15.
Children will return to school on Monday 20th February 2023.**

Dates For your Diary

Thursday 19th January Fish & Chip Celebration Day.

Friday 27th January Y5 to visit Yoko Ono Theatre.

Every Thursday Y5 will swim at the University pool (please remember their swim kit)

Happy New Year 2023

We would like to welcome all our families back to school and wish you all Joy, Health and Happiness for the new year ahead. The children have settled back into school life really well and we are looking forward to starting the new school year.

School News

We have had quite a few new families join our school this year and I am sure you will join us in welcoming them to our fantastic school community. We would also like to welcome Miss Rock to our early years team as the new nursery teacher. Year 6 have begun SAT'S booster groups this week, please can you ensure your child arrives on time for the morning session which will begin at 8.15 and collected at 4pm if they are attending the afternoon session. Children will be provided with work books which they will keep in school.

Cold Weather

It is always our aim to allow the children to go outside for breaks during the day, even if the weather is cold but dry. Please can you make sure that your child has a coat/hat/gloves clearly marked with their name and class.

Language of the Month

At St Nicholas we enjoy celebrating the rich cultural diversity we have within our school community including the different languages we speak. Each month we choose a different language to celebrate and learn some key vocabulary from. There are resources for learning basic key phrases for our Language of the Month on website: <http://www.newburyparkschool.net/langofmonth/> Our language of the month for January is Arabic. We would welcome any contributions big or small to help us celebrate these languages. Please see your child's teacher or Mrs Baines our EAL coordinator for more details of how to get involved

Punctuality

There is an increasing number of children who are arriving to school late. This can sometimes be upsetting for the child and also disruptive to their phonics lesson which take place every morning. Please can you ensure your child is in school before the gate closes at 8.55am.

School Lunches

Reminder—school meal patterns are set for the term. If you change from a school dinner to a packed lunch from home and do not inform the school office then you will still be charged for the hot meal as we will not know unless you inform us.

Reception Admissions September 2023

The online admission process is now closed for Reception intake Sept 2023. Please apply via the link below as a late application. <https://liverpool.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/how-to-apply/>



NEW AMENDED

School Term Dates 2022/23

Autumn 2022 - Children to return Monday 5th September 2022

Thursday 1st September - Friday 21st October 2022

Half Term - Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October 2022

Monday 31st October - Wednesday 21st December 2022

Christmas Break - Thursday 22nd December - Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Spring 2023 – Children to return Wednesday 4th January 2023

Wednesday 4th January - Friday 10th February 2023

Half Term - Monday 13th - Friday 17th February 2023

Monday 20th February - Wednesday 5th April 2023

Easter Break - Thursday 6th April - Friday 14th April 2023

Summer 2023 – Children Return Monday 17th April 2023

Monday 17th April - Friday 26th May 2023

Half Term - Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June 2023

Monday 5th June - Friday 14th July 2023

INSET Days

These days are inclusive of the required five INSET days for staff only to attend.

School is closed for children on these 5 days.

The 5 INSET Days are as follows:-

Thursday 1st September 2022

Friday 2nd September 2022

Friday 21st October 2022

Friday 10th February 2023

Monday 17th April 2023



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Attendance

Attendance is MANDATORY for all pupils unless they are ill. If your child is absent from school without authorisation parents could be fined by the Local Authority.

Attendance and punctuality is very important at St Nicholas Catholic Academy. Improving school attendance is a key priority for the council and its family of schools and the support of our parents is crucial to achieving our goal. The Government expects pupils to have a minimum level of attendance of at least 97%.

We will be working towards this target for the forthcoming academic year.

All appointments should be arranged outside of the school day.

If your child has an urgent medical appointment which cannot be rearranged, you will need to provide medical evidence before the absence will be authorised. This can be in the form of an appointment card, a letter from a GP, dentist, walk in centre, or hospital, or medication issued from that appointment, etc.

Attending school regularly is so important. How close is your child to 100% attendance?
Please take a look at the chart below to see how this can impact your child's learning.

0 days off school	100%	Perfect, congratulations! Your child has the best chance of success.	
2 days off school	98%	Very good! Well done! Your child is off to a flying start.	
10 days off school	95%	Not too good. Your child has less chance of doing well and achieving success	
22 days off school	88%	Very Concerned	Your child will find it hard to make progress and achieve and could become a "persistent absentee"
32 days off school	83%	Extremely Concerned	