

# St Nicholas Catholic Primary School

*'Love one another as I have loved you'*



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**Dates**

Dear Parents

Our Focus Virtue is Faith. As a school community we are continuing to grow together on our journey with Jesus. Each week a class joins the parish to celebrate Mass in church, last week, as part of their RE topic, our Year 3 and Year 4 children visited church with Father Craig who showed them around church and explained about the significance of different areas and objects. This really starts to help the children with their journey through the sacraments and helps them gain a deeper understanding of what is happening during Mass.



Date	Event
16/1/23	Year 1 trip to Nell Bank
18/1/23	Year 2 trip to Nell Bank
26/1/23	Y2 SATs meeting
30-31 Jan	Y4 Herd Farm Residential
7/2/23	Y6 SATs Meeting
8-10Feb	Y5 Nell Bank Residential
10/2/23	School closes for half term at 3:30pm
20/2/23	Training Day- School closed to children
21/2/23	School Reopens for children
22/2/23	Ash Wednesday

Dates are subject to change. More details will be sent out for trips/events as they get closer.

**Key Stage 1 trips:** As part of our curriculum enhancement and making links across the curriculum our children in Year 1 and Year 2 are both spending a day at Nell Bank in Ilkley this week. The theme of the day is Tidy- What happens if we don't look after the environment? How can we help? With the help from the lovely book 'Tidy' by Emily Gravett, the children are introduced to the idea of being environmentally responsible. On top of this the children will go mini-beasting, learn about recycling through games whilst exploring the beautiful Nell Bank site. Wrap up warm!



## Snow



We will always endeavour to keep school open as long as staff numbers make it viable and safe to do so. If we are to close due to the weather we will try and send a text to you and put it on the website as soon as possible. If the School Office don't have your most recent mobile phone details, could you please notify them so that our records can be kept up to date.

## In the News:

We were very pleased to read a great write up about our school's recent OFSTED. If you did not get chance to read it, follow the link:

<https://www.yorkshireeveningpost.co.uk/education/leeds-school-praised-for-eco-warriors-and-school-council-gets-glowing-ofsted-rating-3973038>



Virtue to Live by is: Faith

**D:Side Visit:** D:Side will be joining our Key Stage 2 again this week, All the sessions are age related and matched what the children study in their PHSE topics.

**Internet Safety Sessions for Key Stage 2 will focus on:**

- Using emails safely (KS2)
- Social networking and safe profiling – including use of Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Snap Chat, TikTok, etc. (KS2)
- 'chatting' with care (KS2)
- Responsible and safe use of the internet (logins, email, photography, password protection, personal information and self-protection). (KS2)
- Using text and picture messaging (KS2)
- Behaving responsibly (KS2)

**Drug awareness session for Years 5 & 6 will focus upon..**

**Year 5:** Vaping & E.Cigarettes – effects on the body & laws / Risk Taking / peer pressure / Keeping safe.

**Year 6:** Cannabis & effects on the body / Drug discussion / Drug Goggles

**English:** All English lessons in school this term started with the theme of performance poetry.

Year 1 children have loved learning the poem Tippy Tappy by Michael Rosen, Michael Rosen enjoyed it so much he tweeted the children back! [@stnicholasleeds](https://twitter.com/stnicholasleeds)



Have a lovely week,  
God Bless  
Mrs Burns  
Head Teacher