



Kilnhurst St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy
 Newsletter – Friday 10th November 2023



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Learner of the week

The following children have been chosen by their Class Teacher as 'Learner of the Week'. Each child will be presented with a certificate at Monday's Celebration Assembly. Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend the assembly which starts at 9.05am in the Main Hall.

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|-------------------|--------------------|
| FS1 – Owen L | Year 3 – Effie D |
| FS2 – Mia C | Year 4 – Taylor F |
| Year 1 – Lillie C | Year 5 – Endon M |
| Year 2 – Alisha R | Year 6 – Bronson M |

Congratulations to you all.

DOJO Behaviour Awards

The following pupils will be awarded an Outstanding Behaviour (DOJO) Certificate at Monday's Celebration Assembly. Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend the assembly which starts at 9.05am in the Main Hall.

	Gold	Silver	Bronze
FS1	Maddison C	Ariel G	Flynn N
FS2	Freya Y	Eliza P	Amy E
Year 1	Autumn A	Hugo E	Lily Robinson
Year 2	Izabell P	Jacob H	Frankie-Lee S
Year 3	Harrison F	Olivia H	Leah Y
Year 4	Frankie R	Franky M	Ben L
Year 5	Amelia S	Brooke L	Phoenix G
Year 6	Timi O	Orla G	Mae R-H

Congratulations to you all.

Weekly Class Attendance

FS1 – 91.9%	FS2 – 91%	Year 1 – 96.6%	Year 2 – 95.4%
Year 3 – 99.6%	Year 4 – 95.3%	Year 5 – 95.6%	Year 6 – 96.5%

Congratulations **Class 3**, this is the second week in a row that you are this attendance winners, well done.



**ATTENDANCE
 MATTERS!
 Everyday. On-time.**



Reading Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have achieved their Bronze Reading Awards. Each child will be presented with their Badge at Monday's Celebration Assembly. Well done to you all.

FS2

Harper R
Evelyn C
Autumn O

Class 3

Thomas Y

Class 5

Isabelle P

Class 6

Jacob F
Finley J



TT Rockstar KS2 Class Winners

This week's TT Rockstar Maths winners are Class 5.

Well done Class 5, you will be presented with the 'Rockstar Guitar' award at Monday's Celebration Assembly. Rock on KS2, keep working hard on those times tables.





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Anti-Bullying Week – Wear 'Odd Socks'

Next week is 'Anti-Bullying Week' in school. An important aspect of Anti-Bullying week is to encourage young people to speak up against bullying, seek help when needed and be proactive in creating a safe environment in our school.

On Monday 13th November 2023, we are asking children to come to school in 'Odd Socks' to celebrate what makes us all unique and spread kindness. Please note, no donations are needed.



Children in Need – Friday 17th November 2023 Non-Uniform and Bun Sale



Children in Need will take place this year on Friday 17th November 2023. As a school we always try and support this amazing charity. Children may come to school in non-uniform for a £1 donation.

Our Year 6 Pupils will also be doing a bun sale to raise money for this worthy cause. Year 6 children will go around each class during the morning and children will be able to purchase a bun if they wish. The buns will be priced at 50p each.

We would be very grateful for donations of buns / cakes to sell. These can be given to the school reception or left with your child's teacher.

Thank you for your support.



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St Thomas Music Assembly Friday
24th November 2023 @ 2:15pm



Come and sing along with the St Thomas' Music assembly! It's an opportunity to appreciate our immersing musicians!

What to expect?



Miss Cresswell's Choir

Miss Barton's Rocking Recorder Club



Class 1

The tapping song - 'I love myself'

Class 6

Zootropolis - 'Try Everything'



Class 2

Moana - 'How far I'll go'

St Thomas Guitarists



Class 5

Lion King 'I Just Can't Wait To Be King'

Class 3

Recorders - Heather Ward Blown Away



Class 4

Jungle Book - 'Bear Necessities'

Tickets are £1 each - (max 2 per family)
This allows entrance to the Music Assembly and prize raffle
Please purchase from the School Office



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Christmas 2023



Please see below a timetable of Christmas Events taking place this term:

Christmas Fayre – Friday 1st December 2023 (PM)

Christmas Dinner (whole school) – Wednesday 6th December 2023 (free to all children)

Christmas Jumper Day – Wednesday 6th December 2023 - £1 donation for Save the Children

Christmas Performances:

Key Stage 1 (Classes 1 and 2) – Wednesday 13th December 2023 – 2.00pm and 5.00pm

Key Stage 2 (Classes 3, 4, 5 & 6) – Thursday 14th December 2023 – 2.00pm and 5.00pm

FS1 and FS2 – Friday 15th December 2023 – 9.30am

Christmas Parties:

FS1/FS2 – Monday 18th December – times tbc

Classes 3 and 4 – Tuesday 19th December – PM

Classes 5 and 6 – Wednesday 20th December – PM

Classes 1 and 2 – Thursday 21st December – PM

Christmas Singalong with Mrs Sherwood – Friday 22nd December 2023 at 2.00pm



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Dr Bike Session – 15th November 2023

Please see below a letter from Laurie Butler, the Active Travel Officer at Rotherham MBC. Laurie will be coming into school on the 15th November 2023 to do a health check on the children's bikes. If your child would like to take part, please pick up a form at the School office, complete and return. Please note, Laurie will be unable to do a bike check without the completed form. Thank you.



Dear Parent/Guardian,

On the **15th November** we are having a 'Dr Bike Session'

Any pupils that cycle to school will get a free health check for their bike. There are a limited number of places so make sure you book your space.

So what does that involve?

- Every bike will be checked over to ensure that it is safe to ride
- Bikes will have tyre pumped up and chains lubed
- Nuts and bolts will be checked for tightness
- Brakes will be tightened and checked

But...

- We are not a bike shop! In some cases we might replace some parts. But with the time and resources we have, some things are not possible to fix

So even if you can't ride to school; push your bike in and hopefully you will be able to ride it home

We look forward to seeing you there.

Laurie Butler Active Travel Officer Rotherham
In partnership with **Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council**



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FS2 and Year 6 Height and Weight Measurement

Every year, the National Child Measurement Programme (nursing team) come into school and do height and weight measurement checks for all pupils in FS2 and year 6. The measurements are used to calculate weight status, e.g. overweight, healthy weight or underweight. They collect this information as part of an ongoing national programme to collect trends.

Children are measured fully clothed, except for their coats and shoes, in a private space away from other pupils. The wellbeing of children and families is very important to us and measurements are conducted in a compassionate way, in private and away from other children.

Individual results are not shared with your child or their school. Once the measurements have been taken, you will receive a text notification. If you would **not** like your child to take part then you will need to contact the **Public Health Nursing Team on 01709 423333 by 14th October 2023**. NB: Children will not be made to take part on the day if they do not want to.

Parents/Guardians will be notified once the date is confirmed as to when the nursing team will be in school.

Back Gates to School (Celandine Rise Entrance)

Can we please ask that parents/guardians do not use the back gates other than during morning drop off and afternoon pick up (8.40am to 9.00am / 2.55pm to 3.10pm). This gate will be locked at all other times. Please use the main entrance during the day. Thank you.



Reporting Absences

If your child is going to be absent from school, can we please remind parents/guardians to contact the school office before 9.00am. If you leave a voicemail, please let us know the reason why your child will be absent. Can we please ask that you don't report absences via DOJO messages. As per our Attendance Policy, if we do not hear from parents/guardians by 10.30am, Mrs Sherwood and Mrs Neal will be forced to do a home visit. Thank you for your co-operation. School Telephone Number is 01709 570297.

Reading Volunteers

If any parents/guardians would like to volunteer to do reading with the children in school, please see Miss Cousins or Mrs Myers at the school office. Thank you.





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Lost Property

Our lost property box is yet again over-flowing with items. Can we please ask that parents/guardians put their child's name on the labels inside coats / cardigans, jumpers etc. so we are able to return them to the children. If you wish to look through the lost property box, you can do so before morning registration and afternoon pick up. The box is located on the corridor outside Class 4 (inside school). Please come through reception to access. Thank you.



**Lost
property**

Dates for your Diary - Autumn Term 2

- 13th November 2023 – Wear odd socks day - Anti-bullying week
- 15th November 2023 – Dr Bike in School
- 16th November 2023 – 9.00am – Coffee Morning – Sleep Workshop with the EWO
- 17th November 2023 – Children in Need
- 24th November 2023 – Internet Safety Training – times tbc
- 1st December 2023 – Christmas Fayre
- 6th December 2023 – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
- 13th December 2023 – KS1 Performance - 2.00pm and 5.00pm
- 14th December 2023 – KS2 Performance – 2.00pm and 5.00pm
- 15th December 2023 – FS1/FS2 Nativity – 9.30am
- 18th December 2023 – FS1/FS2 Christmas Party
- 19th December 2023 – Classes 3 and 4 Christmas Party
- 20th December 2023 – Classes 5 and 6 Christmas Party
- 21st December 2023 – Classes 1 and 2 Christmas Party
- 22nd December 2023 – School finishes at 3.00pm for Christmas Holidays

















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Lunch Menu – Week 1 – W.C: 13th November 2023

WEEK ONE	 PLANET GREEN MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pip's Planet Friendly Option	Mexican Bean & Roasted Vegetable Burrito 	Cheese & Tomato Pizza & Garlic Bread 	Quorn Sausage Casserole in a Yorkshire Pudding 	Cheese & Onion Pastry Roll & Skin on Baked Wedges	Mediterranean Vegetable Pasta Bake 
Option Two	Homemade Macaroni Cheese	Chicken & Indian Lentil Tikka Masala Curry & Rice 	Filled Yorkshire Pudding with Beef & Vegetable Mince & Roast Potatoes	Pork Sausage Roll & Skin on Baked Wedges	Cod Fish Fingers & Chips
Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables, Sweetcorn 	Peas, Cauliflower 	Carrots, Seasonal Greens 	Green Beans, Sweetcorn 	Baked Beans, Peas 
Hot Pasta Sandwiches		Pasta with		Pasta with Tomato	
Baked Jacket Potatoes	Freshly Made Sandwich with Cheddar, Tuna Mayonnaise or Ham,				
	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise  , Cheese, or Beans				
Dessert	Homemade Apple Sponge Cake 	Oaty Flapjack Finger	Homemade Vanilla Sponge & Custard	Fruity Strawberry Jelly & Mandarin Segments 	Chocolate Shortbread



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ROTHERHAM HEALTHY HOLIDAYS

Be Healthy. Be Active. Be Happy

A HUGE RANGE OF HOLIDAY
ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN THIS
WINTER



Rotherham Council has partnered with a range of organisations across the borough to deliver holiday activity programmes. Each session includes a meal.

Funded places are available for eligible children, including those who receive benefits-related free school meals who can collect their unique reference number from school to access their funded place. Some of our providers also offer good value paid places as well.

Any activities taking place in a school, are open to all children, not just their own pupils. To find out more or book a place for your child, please contact the providers directly.

For more information about Rotherham Healthy Holidays please visit: www.rotherham.gov.uk/healthy-holidays or email: healthyholidays@rotherham.gov.uk

You can find us on Facebook: [@RotherhamHealthyHolidays](https://www.facebook.com/RotherhamHealthyHolidays) and Twitter: [@RotherhamHAF](https://twitter.com/RotherhamHAF)





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Rotherham United Community Trust To book scan QR code
Visit: <https://ruct.co.uk/news/2023/10/new-year-haf-2024/>
Email: community@rotherhamunited.net

Venue	Post Code	Dates (January 2024)	Time	Age (Years)	Details
Parkgate Astro	S62 6HQ	Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th	10am to 2pm	5 to 16	Send Ability Counts Football
Rotherham Leisure Centre	S65 1BL	Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th	10am to 2pm	5 to 16	Swimming and Sport
Maltby Leisure Centre	S66 8JE	Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th	10am to 2pm	5 to 16	Swimming and Sport
Aston Leisure Centre	S26 4SF	Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th	10am to 2pm	5 to 16	Swimming and Sport
Yogalols at New York Stadium	S60 1FJ	Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th	10am to 2pm	5 to 16	Yoga and Mindfulness
Future Stars Wickersley	S66 1JL	Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th	9am to 4pm	5 to 16	Future Stars Football

Activate

At High Street Centre, High Street, Rawmarsh, S62 6LN
27th and 28th December 2023 and 3rd and 4th January 2024
10am to 2pm. Ages 5 to 16 years
Join Activate this winter for activities, sports, and Nova City
To book visit: www.activaterawmarsh.org/or call: 01709 719478

Direct Action

At Our Lady and St Joseph's RC Primary School, Wath Upon Dearne, S63 7HG
Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th January 2024
10am to 2pm. Ages 5 to 16 years
Join Direct Action this winter to learn first aid
To book call: 07977599778 or email: info@directactiontraining.com

Flying Futures

At High Greave Infant School, East Herringthorpe, S65 3LZ
Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th January 2024
10am to 2pm. Ages 6 to 11 years
Come and learn rugby skills and become a future star
To book visit: www.flyingfutures.org/camps/rotherham/



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Footballerz

At Swinton Queen Primary School, Swinton, S64 8NF

Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th January 2024.

9am to 1pm. Ages 5 to 16 years

Join the freestyle Footballerz and learn new skills and tricks this winter

To book call: 07734928414 or email: footballerz2022@gmail.com

Genius Tuition

At Clifton Community School, Middle Lane, Rotherham, S65 2SN

Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th January 2024.

10am to 2pm. Ages 5 to 16 years

To book visit: www.geniustuition.co.uk/rotherham

Positive Impact Sports

Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th January 2024

10am to 2pm.

Join Positive Impact Sports this winter to develop your sport and art skills

Paid for places available. To book: contact Leah Greig on 07399621444

At Thrybergh Academy, Thrybergh, S65 4FP. Ages 5 to 16 years

At Brookfield Junior Academy, Lime Grove, Swinton, S64 8TQ. Ages 5 to 12 years

At Chislett Centre, Kimberworth Park Road, Kimberworth S61 3JT. Ages 5 to 12 years

**Partnered with Kimberworth Park Community Partnership*

Nova City

At Barbot Hall Industrial Estate, Unit 1 Mangham Rd, Rotherham S61 4RJ

Wednesday 27th and Friday 29th December 2023 and Wednesday 3rd and Friday 5th January 2024

10am to 2pm. Ages 6 to 16 years

Why not jump into your winter holidays with parkour at Nova City

Accepting paid places at £10 per day (food not included)

To book: download Nova city App on smart phones or call 01709 801261
or email: novacitycentre@gmail.com

Rotherham BMX – Football Camp

At Winterhill School, 3G Astroturf, High Street, S61 2BD

Tuesday 2nd to Thursday 4th January 2024.

10am to 2pm. Ages 8 to 16 years

Develop your football skills at Rotherham BMX football camp this winter

Accepting paid places at £12 per day

To book please visit: www.rotherhambmx.com/shop



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Saif's Boxing and Fitness

At 1-5 Canklow Road, Rotherham, S60 2JB

Thursday 28th and Friday 29th December 2023 and Thursday 4th and Friday 5th January 2024

12pm to 4pm. Ages 5 to 16 years

Enhance your boxing skill and fitness at Saif's Boxing this winter

Accepting paid places at £10 per day

Find them on Facebook or call: 07860606986 to book.

The Fun Hub

Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th January 2024. 10am to 2pm.

Ages 5 to 11 years

Join the Fun Hub this winter for activities and sports

Accepting paid places at £12 per session

To book please visit: www.the-fun-hub.classforkids.io

At Maltby Main Sport Ground, Muglet Lane, S66 7JR

At Limetree Nursery, Thrybergh, Oldgate Lane, S65 4JL

At Limetree Nursery, Eastwood, 182 Fitzwilliam Road, S65 1QE

U Do It Dance Foundation

At Rawmarsh Sandhill Primary, Kilnhurst Road, Rawmarsh, S62 5LH

Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th January 2024.

10am to 2pm. Ages 5 to 15 years

Step into street dance this winter with U Do It Dance Foundation

To book please email: rich@udoitdance.co.uk or phone: 07809691688

Superstars Jessica Steele

Ages 5 to 11 years

Step into the spotlight and unleash your creativity through singing, acting, and dancing

If you would like to join the winter superstars, please visit: www.jessicasteel.co.uk/HAF

United Multicultural Centre

At 59-63 Carlisle Street, Rotherham, S65 1HA

Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th January 2024. 10am to 2pm.

Ages 8 to 16 years

To book please call: 07458304136



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St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy Kilnhurst

School Calendar for the Academic Year 2023/24

September (20 Days)							October (20 Days)							November (19 Days)						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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December (16 Days)							January (18 days)							February (15 days)						
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March (17 Days)							April (16 Days)							May (18 Days)						
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June (20 Days)							July (16 Days)							August						
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30	29	30	31					26	27	28	29	30	31	

Denotes Bank Holidays

Denotes School Holidays

194 days – including 5 days to be taken as professional development days for teaching staff

Denotes Inset days (x 5)

Polling Station