



**Kilnhurst St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy  
Newsletter - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022**



**Message from the Head**

These past few days have been very challenging for everyone at St Thomas'. We understand many families have been deeply affected by the devastating news we received this week. If you or any of your family are struggling and need help or support, please contact the school office.

Thank you all for your continued support.  
Mrs Webster and Mrs Sherwood

**The Queen's Funeral**

The Government has announced that there will be an additional bank holiday on Monday 19 September to mark the occasion of the state funeral of her late Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. This will give staff/pupils the chance to pay their respects to her Majesty and commemorate her reign, while marking the final day of the period of national mourning.



**Celebration Assembly**

Our next Celebration Assembly will take place on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Thank you.

**Parent Readers**

We are seeking parents/guardians who could spare an hour or so each week to come into school to listen to our pupils read.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer then please contact the school office by phone or e-mail. Tel: 01709 570297 / E-mail: [enquiries@stp.dsat.education](mailto:enquiries@stp.dsat.education)

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**Flu Vaccinations – FS2 to Year 6 Pupils**

Parents/Guardians should have received an email from school on Thursday this week with details and a link from the School Nursing Service. Please can all parents/guardians complete the online consent form whether you wish your child have to have their Flu Vaccination or not. If you require any further information or are struggling to complete the form online, please contact the nursing team direct on: **0333 358 3397 (opt 2)**.

A reminder that the nursing team will be coming into school on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October (previously arranged for the 11<sup>th</sup> October)** to do the flu vaccinations. Forms must be submitted by the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2022 otherwise your child may not be offered the vaccine. Thank you

**COVID Absences**

The DfE guidance states that pupils who test positive for COVID will be authorised absence for 4 days only. Pupils do not need to re-test on day 5 to return to school. After the 4 days it will be an un-authorised absence without something from a GP. Thank you.

**After School Clubs**

We are pleased to be able to offer the following ASC's starting next week for 4 weeks.

- Monday's – Young Voices (Choir) with Mrs Mitchell – for year 3 to year 6 pupils
- Wednesday's – Board Games with Miss Barton – for year 2 pupils to year 6 pupils
- Thursday's – Rugby Tag Coaching – for year 5/6 pupils by invitation only
- Thursday's – Gardening Club with Mrs Sanderson – For all pupils

To book a place, please log into your Arbor account. Please note places are allocated on a first come first serve basis and are free to all children. You can book places from 3.00pm today (Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022).

Please note we do not run any After School Clubs during the last week of term (W.C. 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022).

**School Photos – Individual**

A reminder to parents/guardians that all pupils will be having their individual school photos on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022**. These will be done during the morning and siblings (in school) will be having photos together too. If you have younger siblings not in school and you would like a photo taken of them all together, you can bring them in at 8.30am in the Main Hall.





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### School Uniform Recycle shop

We have set up a 'school recycle uniform shop' over in our Nurture Bungalow for all parents/guardians to use whom may be struggling to buy school uniform for their children. We have school uniform, shoes, coats and even lunchboxes available in various sizes.

With the rising costs we are all experiencing at the moment, we wanted to try and help families. You can visit the shop at 8.50am each morning where Mrs Thompson will be happy to show you round. Alternatively, you can call into / telephone the school office where we will be happy to help.

We encourage parents/guardians to use the shop if you are struggling financially. This will be done in strict confidence.

We would also welcome any donations of the above items.

Thank you for your support.





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**Dates for your Diary – Autumn Term**

22 September 2022 – Class 4 School Trip to Murton Park York  
26<sup>th</sup> September 2022 – Individual school Photos (AM)  
27<sup>th</sup> September 2022 – Class 6 – Crucial Crew Visit  
11<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – Flu Vaccinations – FS2 to Year 6  
18<sup>th</sup> November 2022 – Christmas Fayre  
29<sup>th</sup> November 2022 – Class 2 – Cinderella Pantomime – Barnsley Academy Theatre  
6<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance – time tbc  
7<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – Key stage 2 Christmas Performance – time tbc  
8<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – EYFS Christmas Performance – time tbc

**SCHOOL TERMS DATES 2022/23:  
END OF SUMMER HOLIDAY**

Back to school - Thursday 1 September 2022

**AUTUMN HALF TERM**

Holiday starts - Monday 24 October 2022  
Back to school - Monday 31 October 2022

**CHRISTMAS**

Holiday starts - Monday 19 December 2022  
Back to school - Tuesday 3 January 2023

**SPRING HALF TERM**

Holidays starts - Monday 13 February 2023  
Back to school - Monday 20 February 2023

**EASTER**

Holiday starts - Monday 3 April 2023  
Back to school - Monday 17 April 2023

**SUMMER HALF TERM**

Holiday starts - Monday 29 May 2023  
Back to school - Monday 5 June 2023

**SUMMER HOLIDAY**

Holiday starts - Monday 24 July 2023

**BANK HOLIDAYS**

- Queens Funeral – 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022
- Good Friday - Friday 7 April 2023
- Easter Monday - Monday 10 April 2023
- May Day - Monday 1 May 2023
- Spring Bank Holiday - Monday 29 May 2023



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School Dinners – Week 2

| Primary Menu Week 2  | 'Green Earth Monday'   | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY                          | FRIDAY                             |
|----------------------|--|---|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Main Meal Option     | Whole meal Margherita Pizza  | Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatball Sub with Arrabiata Sauce | Roast Gammon Served with Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy | Fresh Oven Baked Chicken Pie      | Classic Friday Fish & Tomato Sauce |
| Vegetarian Main Meal | <u>Build Your Own Taco</u> with Veggie Chilli, Mixed Rice and a Mint yoghurt   | Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake                             | Roast Veggie Balls with Yorkshire Pudding, & Gravy | Creamy Macaroni Cheese Pasta Bake | Veggie Hot Dog with Onions         |
| Jacket Potatoes      | Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Salmon Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans |   |  |                                   |                                    |
| Potato Selection     | Half Jacket Potato   | Baked Wedges  | Roast Potatoes                                     | Mash Potatoes                     | Chipped Potatoes                   |
| Vegetable Selection  | Sweetcorn Garden Peas  | Green Beans Cauliflower                               | Carrots Savoy Cabbage                              | Broccoli Sweetcorn                | Baked Beans Garden Peas            |
| Sandwiches           | Freshly Made Sandwich with a choice of Cheddar, Tuna Mayonnaise or Ham   |   |  |                                   |                                    |
| Dessert              | Oaty Crunchy Biscuit   | Apple Crumble & Custard                               | Jelly & Mandarins                                  | Watermelon & Pineapple Slices     | Chocolate Brownie                  |