



## Kilnhurst St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy Newsletter – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

FS1 – William S

FS2 – Elsie S

Year 1 – Lily R

Year 2 – Hudson C

Year 3 – Thomas Y

Year 4 – Jensen W

Year 5 – Amelia-Lily M

Year 6 – Liberty 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

FS1      Holden C  
FS2      Mia C  
Year 1    Jessie B  
Year 2    Tanish A  
Year 3    Nancy C  
Year 4    Shay K  
Year 5    Alfie S  
Year 6    Thomas M

#### Silver

Millie H  
Harriett K  
Isabella W  
Louie R  
Amber C  
Olivia L  
Evie G  
Holly W

#### Bronze

Kaiyden-Lee  
Erica M  
Olivia C  
Joey Y  
Miya P  
Jayce B  
Isaac S  
Freddie S

Congratulations to you all.

### Weekly Class Attendance

FS1 – 94.3%	FS2 – 95.1%	Year 1 – 97%	Year 2 – 97.4%
<b>Year 3 – 99.6%</b>	Year 4 – 97.8%	Year 5 – 98.6%	Year 6 – 97.2%

Congratulations **Class 3**, third week in a row attendance winners. Well done.



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



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**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.

**Class 3**

Darcie W  
Brook K  
Amber C

**Class 4**

Taylor F

**Class 6**

Oskar G  
Orla G



**TT Rockstar KS2 Class Winners**

This week's TT Rockstar Maths winners are Class 6.

Well done Class 6, you will be presented with the 'Rockstar Guitar' award at Monday's Celebration Assembly. Rock on KS2, keep working hard on those times tables.



**Extra Curricular Achievements**

Well done to Esme in Class 1 for achieving her level 1 in swimming. Congratulations Esme, we are all very proud of you.





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**St Thomas' Church Kilnhurst**

St Thomas' Church will be holding their Christmas Fayre on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024 from 4.00pm until 7.00pm.**

All are welcome, please pop in and enjoy the festivities.



**Children in Need – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023**



Thank you to everyone who supported Children in Need today.

A big thank you to our generous parents/guardians who donated buns for our year 6 pupils to sell. We will let you know how much money we raised next week.

Thank you again for supporting this worthy cause.

**Coats / Pumps**

With the cooler/wetter weather approaching, could we please ask that children have a coat and a change of shoes. These can be pumps or slippers but must be a full house slipper with hard soles – no slip on / novelty ones please (see below). Thank you.





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*St Thomas Music Assembly Friday  
24<sup>th</sup> 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)



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**Christmas Fayre 2023**



**Our Christmas Fayre will take place this year on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

The doors will open at 1.25pm and parents may go and collect their child from class and then head into the Fayre through the Main Reception.

Please note that some of the children will be in different classes for collection:

Year 6 Children will be in Year 4

Year 5 children will be in Year 2

Year 3 children will be in Year 1

Each class will be selling their handmade items and we will also have the following stalls:

Refreshments

Cake and Buns

Sweet Stall

Bric-a-Brac

Tombola

Book Stall

Santa's Grotto

Christmas Hamper Raffle – tickets will be sent to parents to purchase prior to the fayre.

Hair Accessories

Avon

We would be very grateful for donations of the following items:

Unwanted gift sets

Toiletries

Buns/cakes

Sweets

Brick-a-Brac items

Books

If you would like your own stall, please contact the school office for further information.



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### Christmas Dinner

The children will be having their Christmas Dinner on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023**.

All children will be offered the dinner free of charge. There will be vegan and vegetarian options available also. Could you please contact the school **only** if your child will **not** be having a Christmas Lunch. Packed lunches will need to be fetched from home this day as we will not be providing sandwiches or jacket potatoes.

Please let us know by Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023 if your child will be fetching their own packed lunch, you can ring the school office, send an e-mail or leave a message on your child's class DOJO . This will ensure the cook knows the exact numbers to cater for and we do not have food wastage. Thank you.



Roast Turkey, Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy

or

Roasted Veggie Balls with Gravy

**Served with**

Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Brussel Sprouts

**A choice of Christmas Desserts will be available**





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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.

The nursing team will be in school on the following dates to do the children's height and weight checks.

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024 – Year 6 pupils only**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024 – FS2 pupils only**

### Year 5 Visit to Swinton Academy – Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Our Year 5 pupils will be taking part in an activity day at Swinton Academy on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023. Parents/Guardians should have been given a letter this week with further details. Pupils will walk to the Academy after lunch and will return to school for 3.00pm pick up. Parents/Guardians do not need to do anything, however, if for any reason you would prefer your child didn't attend, please let Mr Walton or the School Office know. 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.

### Dates for your Diary - Autumn Term 2

24<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – Internet Safety Training  
24<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – Music Assembly – 2.15pm  
28<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – Year 5 Visit to Swinton Academy  
1<sup>st</sup> December 2023 – Christmas Fayre  
5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – FS1 Stay and Play for New Starters  
6<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day  
13<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – KS1 Performance - 2.00pm and 5.00pm  
14<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – KS2 Performance – 2.00pm and 5.00pm  
15<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – FS1/FS2 Nativity – 9.30am  
18<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – FS1/FS2 Christmas Party  
19<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – Classes 3 and 4 Christmas Party  
20<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – Classes 5 and 6 Christmas Party  
21<sup>st</sup> December 2023 – Classes 1 and 2 Christmas Party  
22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023 – School finishes at 3.00pm for Christmas Holidays



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**Internet Safety Workshop - Friday 24/11/23 @ 9am - 10am**


Are you confused at how to keep your children safe online? Do you know which online accounts your children use, including social media and gaming sites, messaging and e-mail?

Every child can be subjected to cyberbullying, be asked to share explicit images/videos or even come into contact with a child predator, it's critical that parents and caregivers are truly aware of where a child spends his or her time in the digital world.

I will be hosting a parental workshop next Friday with useful tips in helping you navigate the internet world and give advice on how to keep your child safe online.

Everyone is welcome.

**Lunch Menu – Week 2 – W.C: 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

WEEK TWO	 PLANET GREEN MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pip's Planet Friendly Option	Loaded Cheesy Bean Hot Pitta Parcel	Plant-based Bolognese Pasta with Lentils, Peppers & Basil	Quorn Sausage Toad in the Hole, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Homemade Macaroni Cheese	Cheese & Onion Pastry Roll & Chips
Option Two	Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza & Garlic Bread	Hearty Pasta Bolognese with Peppers	Toad in the Hole, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Mexican Style Chicken, Bean & Sweetcorn Burrito	Cod Fish Fingers & Chips
Vegetables	Sweetcorn, Peas	Green Beans, Carrots	Cauliflower, Seasonal Greens	Mixed Vegetables, Sweetcorn	Baked Beans, Peas
Hot Pastas		Pasta & Cheese Sauce		Pasta with Italian Tomato & Basil Sauce	
Sandwiches	Freshly Made Sandwich with Cheddar, Tuna Mayonnaise or Ham				
Baked Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise or Cheese or Beans				
Dessert	Apple & Sultana Crumble Bar	Homemade Lemon Cake & Custard	Banana Cake & Fruit Slices	Chocolate Cookie	Fruity Strawberry Jelly





# 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](http://www.rotherham.gov.uk/healthy-holidays) or email: [healthyholidays@rotherham.gov.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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/](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](http://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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### 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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  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