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Christmas Holidays



Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you are all looking forward to the Christmas Holidays. This term has been a long one and I know the children (and staff) are ready for a well-deserved break.

These past couple of weeks have been lovely celebrating the festivities in school. The children were outstanding in their Christmas performances and we are very proud of them all. The Christmas parties have also been lots of fun this week, it's nice for the children to let their hair down and have some well -deserved fun. We also had a lovely visit to St Thomas' church this morning where the children sang some beautiful Christmas songs.

Sadly, we say goodbye today to our Executive Head, Mrs Allard, who has been with us for the past 3 ½ years. We wish her all the best for the future, she will be missed.

In January 2024, we will be welcoming our new Executive Head, Mr McHale. I'm sure Mr McHale will be in touch with you all in the new year to introduce himself.

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We look forward to seeing you all back in school on Tuesday 9th January 2024.

Best wishes, Mrs Sherwood and all the St Thomas' Team





Weekly Class Attendance FS1 – 93.6% Year 1 – 94.4% FS2 – 93.1% Year 2 – 92.1% Year 3 – 93.5% Year 4 – 96% Year 5 – 89.2% Year 6 – 95.4% Congratulations **Class 4**, you are this week's attendance winners. Well done. ATTENDANCE **MATTERS!** Everyday. On-time. **Christmas Jumper Day 2023** We raised an amazing £137 at our Christmas Jumper Day last week. The money raised will be sent to Sheffield Children's Hospital Charity. Thank you to everyone who donated. Young Voices 2024 On Monday 8th January 2024, our After-School Club Choir will be travelling to the Sheffield Utilita Arena to take part in the largest School Choir Concert in the world - Young Voices. We hope you all have the best time, we are very proud of you all. VOiCF **Reading Badges** The following children have achieved their Bronze reading Award (50 reads). Each child has been given their badges. Well done. Class 2 Class 5 Annie B Sophie Y **Isaac S**





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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 22nd February 2024 – Year 6 pupils only Monday 26th February 2024 – FS2 pupils only

Children's Flu Vaccinations

If your child missed their flu vaccination at school and you still wish them to have it, you can book an appointment to have this done at the Brookfield Children's Centre, Lime Grove, Swinton on Friday 5th January 2024 between 1 and 5pm.

To book an appointment telephone the nursing team on 0333 3583397 option 6.

Dates for your Diary – Spring Term 1

8th January 2024 – INSET DAY 9th January 2024 – School re-opens to all children 16th and 17th January 2024 – Parents Evening – details to follow 17th January 2024 – Class 3 School Trip to Magna Science Adventure Park 19th January 2024 – Class 3 Assembly – further details to follow 26th January 2024 – AESSEAL half time cup – chosen pupils only 29th January 2024 – Class 1 – Great Fire of London Workshop (in school) 31st January 2024 – Class 6 Grimm and Co Workshop (in school) 5th February 2024 – Class 2 Class Assembly – further details to follow 9th February 2024 – School breaks up for Half Term (1 week) 19th February 2024 – School re-opens







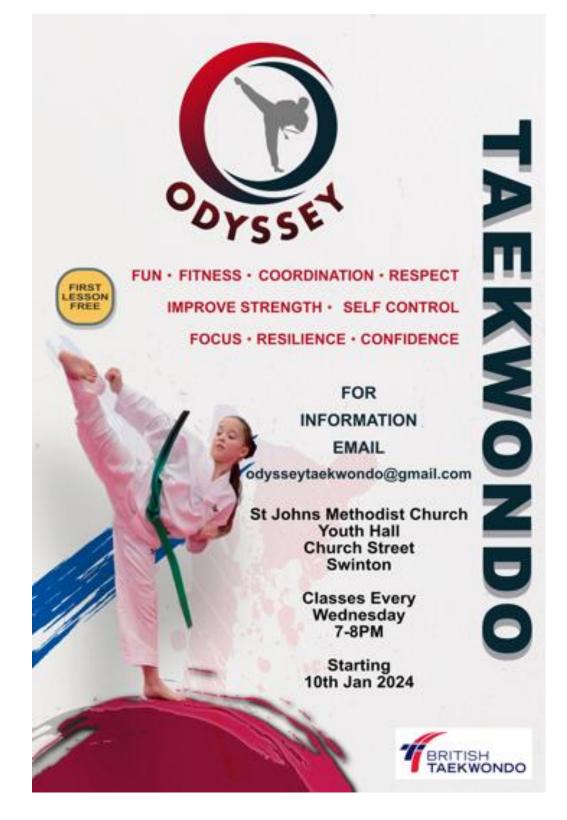
Lunch Menu – Week 2 – Week Commencing 8th January 2024

WEEK TWO	PLANET GREEN MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pip's Planet Friendly Option	Loaded Cheesy Bean Hot Pitta Parcel	Plant-based Bolognaise 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 Bolognaise 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 Pasts		Pasta & Cheese Sauce		Pasta with Italian Tomato & Basil Sauce	
Sandwiches	Fr	eshly Made Sandwich	with Cheddar, Tuna	Mayonnaise or Han	n
Baked Jacket Potatoes		Jacket Potato with	Funa Mayonnaise or G	Cheese or Beans	
Dessert	Apple & Sultana Crumble Bar	Homemade Lemon Cake & Custard	Banana Cake & Fruit Slices	Chocolate Cookie	Fruity Strawberry Jelly





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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** and Twitter: **@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 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.jessicasteele.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



Kilnhurst St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy Newsletter – Friday 22nd December 2023



St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy Kilnhurst

School Calendar for the Academic Year 2023/24

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Denotes Bank Holidays



Denotes Inset days (x 5) Polling Station

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

Denotes School Holidays

