



Kilnhurst St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy
 Newsletter - Friday 29th September 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 –Maddison C | Year 3 – Aliyah L |
| FS2 – Maisie P | Year 4 – Georgia W |
| Year 1 – Alice A | Year 5 – Alfie S |
| Year 2 – Esmay | Year 6 – Harvey E |

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	Millie H	Owen L	Max R
FS2	Luna-Mae	Iris L	Axle-Anthony
Year 1	Abbey H	Bradley W	Jax S
Year 2	Poppy M	Florrie S	Emily A
Year 3	Darcie W	Thomas Y	Jude H
Year 4	Jayce B	Emmie E	Frankie R
Year 5	Keira C	Amelia-Lily	Phoenix G
Year 6	Finley J	Kaylum D	Orla G

Congratulations to you all.

Lunch Time 'Golden Rules' Awards

The following children have been chosen to receive a Lunchtime Golden Rules Award. Mrs Sherwood will present each of them with a certificate at Monday's Celebration Assembly. Well done to you all. Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend the assembly which starts at 9.05am in the Main Hall.

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|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Maddison C (FS1) | Daisy H (C1) | Alisha R (C2) | Effie D (C3) |
| Bonnie O (C4) | Oliver G (C5) | Kaylum D (C6) | |

- Our Lunchtime Golden Rules**
 You have been gentle
 You have been kind
 You have looked after the playground
 You have been honest
 You have listened to instructions
 You have kept the playground safety rules.



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Macmillan Coffee Morning – Friday 29th September 2023

Thank you to everyone who donated / attended our Coffee Morning today for Macmillan Cancer Support. If you would still like to donate, you can do this through the Arbor App – under 'Clubs' / 'Macmillan Cancer Support'. We will let you know how much we have raised next week. Thank you again for supporting this amazing charity.



Weekly Class Attendance

FS1 – 85.5%	FS2 – 86.3%	Year 1 – 89.6%	Year 2 – 96.1%
Year 3 – 94.9%	Year 4 – 95.7%	Year 5 – 86.3%	Year 6 – 96.5%

Congratulations **Class 6**, you are this week's attendance winners, well done.



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

Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who attended/donated to our Harvest Festival today. We are overwhelmed by the generosity of our parents/guardians. All donations will be taken to the Swinton Lock Food Bank to help families in our local community.



Extra Inset Day – Thursday 2nd November 2023

The school will be closed to all pupils on Thursday 2nd November 2023 to be used as a Polling Station for the local councilor elections. The school will re-open as normal on Friday 3rd November 2023. Apologies for any inconvenience.



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Swinton Academy
Y5 & Y6 Open Evening

Monday 9th
October 2023
Book your time
slot here.

Join us to discover for yourself, what makes Swinton Academy so special!
The event will include a welcome talk given by the Principal and year team, an opportunity to meet current students and staff, take part in activities and demonstrations across our faculties, see performances and a tour of the school. You will also have an opportunity to taste our canteen food.

Ofsted 'Good' 2023
'Pupils are happy to attend this inclusive school. They are considerate to each other and to staff.'

Christmas Performances 2023

A few parents/guardians have asked when our Christmas Performances will take place this year - so here they are: Further details on how to purchase tickets etc. will be sent out next term.

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

Key Stage 2 (Classes 3 to 6) – Thursday 14th December 2023 – 2.00pm and 5.00pm

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





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Flu Vaccinations for FS2 to Year 6 Pupils

The nursing team came into school this morning to administer the Flu Vaccinations to the children. If your child did not receive their vaccination or was absent from school, the nursing team will be coming back in to do a catch-up session. We will let you know when this is. Thank you.

Parent/Guardian Coffee Morning

Mrs Sherwood would like to invite parents/guardians to a coffee morning to be held on **Thursday 5th October 2023 at 9.00am in the Main School Hall.**

The coffee morning is to encourage parents/guardians to come into school to discuss anything school related. Our Educational Welfare Officer, Mrs Hellewell, will also be present to give advice on school attendance, sleep routines etc.

Please come along, you are all very welcome.



Individual School Photos – Monday 9th October 2023

Our school photographer will be in school on **Monday 9th October 2023** to do the individual photos for all children.

For anyone wishing to have sibling photos taken with siblings who are **not** in school, the photographer will be offering these from 8.30am to 8.45am in the school hall. There is no need to book, just turn up between these times. All siblings in school will automatically have photos taken together. To order photos, your child will fetch home a slip with a QR code, just scan the code to view the photos and follow the instructions on how to order. Once orders are done, the photos will be delivered to school and handed out to children to fetch home. Please note, there may be a time limit to order photos to be delivered to school. If you order after the date stated, there will be a delivery charge from the photographers.





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Coats / Change of Shoes

With the colder/wetter weather approaching, could we please ask that children bring to school 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). Also, if your child plays football during lunchtime, can you please send them with some old trainers as it can be quite muddy on the field.



School Trips / Workshops

As a school, it is important for us to give the children a broad range of educational experiences which we cannot provide within school. This is why we arrange school trips/workshops each term. To be able to continue doing this, we rely heavily on the support of our parents/guardians to contribute towards the costs. The maximum contribution the school will ask for is £12 per child. (please note the school already subsidise a large majority of the costs). Unfortunately, future trips/workshops may have to be cancelled if we do not receive enough contributions from parents/guardians. Thank you for your understanding and support.

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.

Reporting Absences

If your child is going to be absent from school, can we please remind parents/guardians to contact the school before 9.00am to let us know. If you leave a voicemail, please let us know the reason your child will be absent. 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.



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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).

Please use the main entrance during all other times.

Thank you
School Office

Parents Evenings

We will be holding our parents evenings on the following dates / times:

FS1 and FS2 – Tuesday 10th October and Wednesday 11th October 2023
Year 1 to year 6 – Tuesday the 17th October and Wednesday 18th October 2023

Parents evening will take place face to face in your child's classroom. Parents/Guardians will be asked to wait in the hall where you will be collected by your child's teacher. Can we please ask that you are patient, some appointments may go over slightly.

To book an appointment, you will need to do this through the Arbor app. It is quite simple to do but if you are struggling, please contact the school office. If you would prefer a phone call appointment, please book your appointment via arbor but let the school office know.

Please note, we will not be taking booking until week commencing 9th October 2023.

Dates for your Diary – Autumn Term 1

October is Black History Month in School

2nd October 2023 – Class 4 Anglo Saxon Workshop with Pops Adventure – School Hall

5th October 2023 – Coffee Morning for Parents/Guardians – 9.00am

6th October 2023 – Class 3 School Trip to Nottingham University Museum

9th October 2023 – Individual School Photos

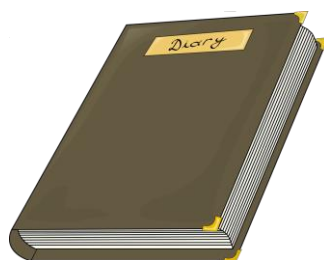
11th October 2023 – Class 5 Local Area Walk (AM)

13th October 2023 – Parents Meeting – Online Safety – 9.00am – Main Hall

17th October 2023 – Parents evening – further details tbc

20th October 2023 – Year 6 Parents Meeting – SATS – 9.00am – Main Hall

20th October 2023 – 3.00pm – School Closes for Half Term





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School Menu – Week 1 – W.C: 2nd October 2023

WEEK ONE	GREEN EARTH MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Herby Diced Potatoes	Italian Chicken & Mixed Rice	Traditional Toad in the Hole & Mashed Potatoes	Special Menu for Census Day See attached	Fish Fingers, Chips
VEGETARIAN	Jacket Wedges with Baked Beans or Cheese	Beany Tomato Ragu & Fluffy Cous Cous	Quorn Roast Vegetable Sausage, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy		Cheesy Pea Pasta
VEGETABLES	Carrot & Cucumber Mixed Vegetables	Garden Peas Carrots	Cauliflower Seasonal Greens		Baked Beans Peas
SANDWICHES, JACKETS,	Freshly Made Sandwich with Cheddar, Tuna Mayonnaise or Ham Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans				
DESSERT	Oat & Raisin Cookie	Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Sauce	Ice Cream		Strawberry Muffin

THEME DAY FUN!

Census Day 5th October

Crispy Chicken Strips
 Or
 Vegetable Nuggets (v)
 Served with
 Chips & Baked Beans

For Dessert
 Homemade Chocolate Brownie



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School Calendar for the Academic Year 2023/24

September (20 Days)						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

October (20 Days)						
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

November (19 Days)						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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December (16 Days)						
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January (18 days)						
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29	30	31				

February (15 days)						
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26	27	28	29			

March (17 Days)						
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April (16 Days)						
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29	30					


May (18 Days)						
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June (20 Days)						
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July (16 Days)						
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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August						
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 Denotes Bank Holidays

 Denotes School Holidays

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

 Denotes Inset days (x 5)