



Kilnhurst St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy
Newsletter - Friday 3rd February 2023



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Last week of Term

Next week is our last week of Spring Term 1. The school will break up for 1-week next **Friday 10th February 2023 at 3.00pm**, and re-open on **Monday 20th February 2023 at 8.40am**.

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.

FS1 – Archie G	Year 3 – Emmie E
FS2 – Lily R	Year 4 – Layton H
Year 1 – Hudson M	Year 5 – Holly W
Year 2 – Effie D	Year 6 – Millie S

Congratulations to you all.

DOJO Behaviour Awards

The following pupils will be awarded an Outstanding Behaviour (DOJO) Certificate at Monday's Celebration Assembly.

	Gold	Silver	Bronze
FS1	Jayden S	Elsie S	Axle-Anthony
FS2	Bradley W	Amelia A	Brennan H
Year 1	Julian W	Emily W	Jacob H
Year 2	Samuel G	Jacob C	Brook K
Year 3	Franky M	Georgia W	Lucas J
Year 4	Alfie S	Samuel C	Oscar M
Year 5	Libby C	Mae R-H	Jacob F
Year 6	Bailey A	Jaxon M	Jayden R

Congratulations to you all.

Reading Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have achieved their **Bronze** reading awards: They will each be presented with their badge at Monday's Celebration Assembly. Well done.

<u>FS1</u>	<u>FS2</u>	<u>Class 2</u>
Jayden S	Isabella W	Ava T
Archie G	Tanish A	
Harriett K		

To achieve reading badges, children must read 50 times at home for their **Bronze** Badge, 150 times to achieve **Silver** and 200 times to achieve **Gold**. Remember to complete reading records each time they read at home.

Football from home

Can we please ask that children **do not** fetch footballs into school from home. Thank you.



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Weekly Class Attendance

FS1 – 91.4%	FS2 – 87.9%	Year 1 – 92.2%	Year 2 – 94.7%
Year 3 – 96.1%	Year 4 – 96.2%	Year 5 – 97.8%	Year 6 – 87.9%

Congratulations **Class 5**, you are this week's attendance winners, well done.

Dental Survey – Year 6



Rotherham MBC have asked the University of Sheffield to conduct an oral health survey on year 6 pupils in the Rotherham area. St Thomas' pupils have been selected to take part.

The University of Sheffield School of Clinical Dentistry will be coming into school during the morning of **Friday 17th March 2023**. They will just require 10 children to take part in the survey. It is a harmless process; they will just take a look at the children's teeth and ask them a few questions. The 10 children taking part will be randomly selected and Parents/Guardians of these children will be sent a consent form and further information during the next few weeks. If your child is selected, please note that they **do not** have to take part. However, we would like to be able to find 10 children willing to participate so if you think your child would be happy to take part, please let the school office or your class teacher know. Thank you.

Reporting a Child's Absence

Can we just remind parents/guardians of our attendance policy for reporting a child's absence. Parents/Guardians should phone or e-mail the school by 8.50am to let us know why your child is not attending. You can leave a voicemail at any time. If we do not hear from a parent/guardian by 9.30am, the school office will call, e-mail and send a dojo message. If no response is received by 10.30am, 2 of our Senior Leadership Team will do a welfare check at the child's home address. Thank you for your co-operation.

Weekly Attendance Awards

To promote 'Good' attendance in school. Pupils who achieve 100% attendance; and are in school on time each day will have their name put into a prize draw each week at Monday's assembly. The child who has their name drawn will get to choose a gift from Mrs Sherwood prize box. Good luck.




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



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Lunch Menu – Week 3 (W.C: 6th February 2023)

WEEK THREE	GREEN EARTH MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN OPTION	Cheese & Tomato Pizza and Potato Wedges	Chicken Pie & Mashed Potato	Roast of the Day, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	 Valentines 'Special Menu' (see below)	Fish Fingers & Chips
VEGETARIAN OPTION	Loaded Wedges with Cheese or Beans	Vegetable Korma with Mixed Rice	Quorn Roast, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy		Marconi Cheese
VEGETABLES	Mixed Vegetables Garden Salad	Carrots Sweetcorn	Winter Greens Cauliflower		Baked Beans Garden Peas
SANDWICHES	Freshly Made Sandwich with a Choice of Cheddar, Tuna Mayonnaise or Ham				
JACKETS OPTIONS	Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans				
DESSERT	Hob Nob Cookie	Jelly & Mandarins	Flapjack Finger & Custard		Frozen Toffee Yoghurt



Thursday 9th February

Hot Dog



Pork, or Vegetarian

Served with

Chips

Baked Beans and Sweetcorn

Valentine's Shortbread



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Dates for your Diary – Autumn Term

9th February 2023 – Girls Football Tournament at Parkgate – Selected pupils only
9th February 2023 – Young Voices – Selected pupils only
10th February 2023 – Last day of school
13th February 2023 – School closes for 1 week
20th February 2023 – School re-opens
22nd February 2023 – Class 5 School trip to Cannon Hall Farm
23rd February 2023 – Class 5 at Swinton Academy for Science Activity (all day)
23rd February 2023 – FS2 weight and measurement checks – Nursing Team (AM)
28th February 2023 – Class 6 – Height, weight and measurement checks - Nursing Team (AM)
2nd March 2023 – World Book Day – dress as a favourite book character
w/c: 27th March 2023 – Book Fair – times tbc
28th March 2023 – Year 5/6 (selected pupils only) AMRC Robot Competition
30th March 2023 – Class 4 School Trip to Moorland Discovery Centre – details tbc

Lost Property

We have a new Lost Property box for the children's missing items. This is located on the corridor outside of Class 4 (inside of school). Parents/Guardians can use the external side entrance in a morning or at home time to have a look through the box which is currently overflowing with missing items.

SCHOOL TERMS DATES 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

- Good Friday - Friday 7 April 2023
- Easter Monday - Monday 10 April 202
- May Day - Monday 1 May 2023
- Spring Bank Holiday - Monday 29 May 2023



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Spare Uniform

Mrs Thompson and Mrs Smith will be displaying our spare school uniform in the playground next Wednesday.

We have lots of good quality items (some brand new) to choose from in a variety of sizes. Please feel free to take a look at what we have available and help yourself to any items that would benefit your children.



Events during Half Term at Swinton Library

Swinton Library & Neighbourhood Hub
Half Term Fun at Swinton Library!

Monday 13th February 2023 from 10am – 11.00am
Ages 5- 11 years

Fun and activities including make your own fishing game. Completely free.
Ring us on 01709 254615 to book your place.



Children Leaving School Early

We have noticed more recently that parents/guardians are picking children up from school early without any prior notice. If your child needs to leave school early, the class teacher and school office must be informed ASAP.

Children should only be leaving school early for medical appointments which cannot be made out of school hours; and proof of such appointments should be shown to the school office prior to collection.

Thank you for your co-operation.



World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March 2023

This year's World Book Day will be held on Thursday 2nd March 2023 and we have lots of exciting things planned

- For a £1 donation, children may come to school dressed as their favourite book character



- Teachers will be swapping classes to read some of their favourite stories to the children
- Shoe Box Competition (see below)
- Book vouchers for all children

Shoe Box (Diorama) Competition

Bring your favourite book to life in a shoe box (see examples below).



We can't wait to see your designs. Mrs Sherwood will be choosing her favourites and there will be prizes for the best designs. Good Luck!



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Dear Parent/Guardian

Scooter Skills Sessions: Friday 24th March 2023

Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 pupils
Can already ride a scooter unaided

Who is this for?

The sessions are open to all children who have a scooter and correctly fitting helmet. The children will be taking part in fun challenges in the playground to develop their balance, awareness and road safety skills. The sessions will be delivered by Modeshift STARS Active Travel Officer, Laurie as part of our school's commitment to encourage Active and Sustainable Travel to School. The sessions will be delivered to small groups of 8 children and approximately last 40 minutes.

What do I need to bring?

To take part in the sessions your child must bring:

1. A scooter in good working order.
2. A correctly fitting helmet
3. Appropriate clothing. This includes suitable footwear (no open toe sandals/flip flops, heels, loose fitting shoes etc) and a warm, waterproof coat.

If your child does not have a correctly fitted helmet, or scooter that is deemed safe to ride, they will unfortunately be unable to take part.

How do I sign up?

If you would like your child to be able to participate in the sessions, please complete the online form which will act as consent. You will then be contacted to say you have secured a place.

To sign up please complete the online participation consent form by 14 March 2023

<https://forms.office.com/e/brxHkwjLFs>



WOW competition – entries to be in by Friday 10th February 2023

Paper copies are available from reception.

**LIVING
STREETS**

LET'S
WALK TO
SCHOOL

Badge design competition 2023

WOW - the walk to school challenge

THE BRITISH NATURE WALK

WHAT WILL YOU DISCOVER?
 This year's WOW badge design competition aims to bring you closer to the nature found across Britain!

WHAT SHOULD YOU DRAW?
 Whether you live in an urban or rural area, nature is all around you. Go on an adventure outside your home and find out what nature has to offer in your local area and draw it. You can also draw a special memory of nature from a recent holiday around Britain or from a different season.

EXAMPLES MAY INCLUDE:

- Animals or insects e.g., squirrel, red deer, frog, Highland cow, dragonfly, stag beetle
- Lakes, rivers, canals or coastlines e.g., Lake Windermere, River Severn, Monkland Canal
- Vibrant flowers or mighty trees e.g., bluebells, daffodils, English oak tree
- Rolling hills or awe-inspiring views e.g. Snowdonia, Cheddar Gorge

Wherever your British Nature Walk takes you, draw it!

CLOSING DATE
TUESDAY 28 FEB 2023

SUSTAINABILITY AND WOW BADGES

Our WOW badges are made in the UK from recycled plastic material, including old fridge trays, plastic plates and off-cuts of yoghurt pot material. Find out more: livingstreets.org.uk/recycling

PUPILS

Pupil name:	Age:
What did you choose to draw and why? Where did you discover it?	

TEACHERS

School email:
School name and address:
Local authority:



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FS1 Provision at St Thomas' Primary Academy Kilnhurst

We are currently accepting applications for our FS1 provision here at St Thomas' Primary Academy.

Children can start with us after their 3rd Birthday at the following times of year:

September, January and April.

All children aged 3 to 4 years are entitled to 15 hours free childcare.

We offer mornings: 8.45am to 11.45am or afternoons: 12 noon to 3.00pm.

We also offer full time places (30 hours per week) which is free to eligible parents/guardians. For further information on this, contact Childcare Choices at www.childcarechoices.gov.uk or phone 0300 1234097.

For an application pack or for any other information, please contact Miss Cousins on 01709 570297 or email: enquiries@stp.dsat.education





FREE family fun

this February half term @
BARNSELY MUSEUMS

EXPERIENCE BARNSELY
MUSEUMS & DISCOVERY CENTRE

Mummies in the Museum Trail

Until 18 March during Museum opening hours

Can you find all our Egyptian LEGO® figures in the museum? Find them all and collect a sticker.

Free, drop-in | Suitable for all ages

Crafty Egyptians

Tuesday 14 February

Come and try out some traditional Egyptian crafts. Will you make a canopic jar or perhaps some beautiful jewellery?

Free, drop-in, 10am-12 noon and 1pm-3pm
Suitable for ages 6+ | For details visit www.experience-barnsley.com

CANNON HALL
MUSEUM PARK & GARDENS

Beautiful Bug Hotels

Saturday 18 February

Help us create a beautiful bug hotel in the walled garden and make your own mini bug house to take home.

Find us in the North Glass (far end of the walled garden).

Free, drop-in, 10am-12 noon and 1pm-3pm | Suitable for all ages

COOPER GALLERY

Amazing Animals

Friday 17 February

Go wild at this animal printing workshop! Be inspired by artist Henry Moore's beautiful animal drawings and create your own perfect print.

Free, drop-in, 10am-12 noon and 1pm-3pm, Suitable for ages 6+



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ELSECAR
HERITAGE CENTRE

**Amazelab:
Exploding Rainbows**
Friday 17 February 10am-11am, 11.30am-12.30pm & 2pm-3pm

Calling all young inventors to join Amazelab and discover how to make Exploding Rainbows! Learn about chemical reactions in a colourful and creative way.

Suitable for 5-11-year-olds. Places are limited so please book your place on Eventbrite to avoid disappointment. See website for details at www.elsecar-heritage.com

WORSBROUGH MILL
WORSBROUGH MILL IN COUNTRY PARK

The Kingdom of Tiny Things at the Waggon Way Glade
10am-12 noon & 1pm-3pm
Wednesday 15 & Thursday 16 February

Join Oak Forest School for a magical session where we discover more about the nature around us and create homes for the enchanting creatures in the Country Park. Make magic fairy doors and enchanting elf portals!

Meet at Learning Hut in Mill Yard. Free but places are limited so booking is essential through Eventbrite. See website for details at www.worsbrough-mill.com

Free Family trails
Throughout the half term

Find all the winter birds hidden around the reservoir at Worsbrough Mill and explore the beautiful gardens of Cannon Hall with our multisensory trails.

Free, drop-in. Pick up from our sites during opening hours or download at worsbrough-mill.com and cannon-hall.com

For more details on activities visit www.barnsley-museums.com or check out our social media @Barnsley Museums



POP'S
OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

JOIN US FOR OUR 2023
MARVELLOUS ADVENTURE

At The Bowling Green Pavilion, Rosehill Park, Rawmarsh
and The Early Excellence Centre, Flanderwell.

NON STOP ADVENTURE!
13TH - 17TH FEBRUARY

ACTION PACKED DAYS OF FUN!

- Themed Activities
- Sports and Games
- Team Challenges
- Arts and Crafts

FROM ONLY
£10
PER PERSON
PER DAY

STANDARD DAYS
10:00AM - 3:00PM

EXTENDED DAYS
8:30AM - 5:30PM
£20 per day - Flanderwell Only

Book your place online at:
www.psc.checkfront.co.uk/reserve



Rawmarsh Flanderwell
01709 527023 01709 709408
popsoutdooradventure.co.uk

Children attending our projects at Rawmarsh must be at least School Year 1 (the September following their 5th Birthday). Children attending Flanderwell can attend from 3 to 11 years old. Terms and conditions apply see online for further details. Subject to availability. E. & O. E.



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E-Safety event at Wath Academy – all welcome to attend

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Important online safety information
including student's real-life experiences of
social media issues.

WATH ACADEMY
THURSDAY 9TH
FEBRUARY
6:00PM – 7:00PM

Sign up to E-Safety Parents
Evening 9/2/23 @ 6:00

Our guest speaker, will share his
vast experience of social
media and the impact on
young people. Having
previously worked for the
police in cyber crime and the
government