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Celebration Assemblies

Please note there will be no further celebration assemblies until the new year. This is due to the stage been put up in the Hall for the Christmas Performances. Thank you.

Christmas Fayre Raffle

The winning ticket numbers are as follows:

1st Prize - Christmas Hamper - Yellow 200 (AE5S 3U7B) - Claimed

2nd Prize - Bottle of Baileys - Yellow 414 (AC1S HU67) – Claimed

3rd Prize - Chocolates - Green - 306 (AD4X CU7B) - Claimed

4th Prize - Bottle of Red Wine - Pink 131 (AC7X AU7B)

5th Prize - Bottle of White Wine - Pink 94 (AC7X AU7B) – Claimed

Please claim your prize from the school office.

We raised just over **£1,100** at our Christmas Fayre, thanks again to everyone who attended / donated items.

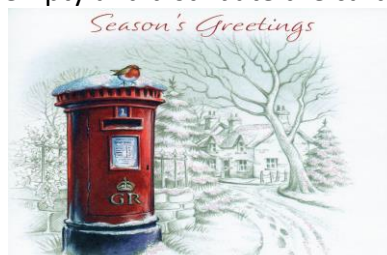
Christmas Coffee Morning

Mrs Sherwood will be holding a parent/guardian coffee morning on **Thursday 21st December 2023 at 9.00am in the School Hall**. Everyone is welcome to attend - please pop in for a tea, coffee and mince pie. We look forward to seeing you there.



Christmas Cards

Our Christmas card post box is located in the school reception for the children to send cards to each other. Our Year 6 pupils will empty and distribute the cards daily.



Reading Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have achieved their Reading Awards. Well done.

Class 2

Aliya J – Bronze

Hudson C – Bronze

Tanish A – Silver



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Weekly Class Attendance

FS1 – 91.1%
Year 3 – 99%

FS2 – 91.7%
Year 4 – 90.3%

Year 1 – 97%
Year 5 – 85.3%

Year 2 – 95.8%
Year 6 – 99.6%

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



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

Christmas Dinner 2023

The children and staff really enjoyed their Christmas dinner on Wednesday this week. A big thank you to our Cook - Rachel and her team for the wonderful dinner they made for us all.





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Christmas Crafts at Swinton Library

Come and join us at Swinton Library for a Free Christmas crafting event on **Monday 11th December 2023 from 4.00 until 5.00pm**. All are welcome.



Visit to St Thomas' Church – Friday 22nd December

Pupils will be visiting St Thomas' Church on the last day of school – Friday 22nd December 2023 for a Christmas service. All children (except FS1) will be walking down to church after morning registration. Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend also. The service starts at 9.30am.



After School Clubs

Please note there will be no more After School Clubs taking place from next week. This is due to our Christmas Performances. A new list of After School Clubs will be published after the Christmas Holidays. Thank you.



Coats / Pumps

Could we please ask that children have a winter 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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On Friday 15th December 2023, we will be taking part in a 'Christmas Jumper day' to raise money for Sheffield Children's Hospital. I'm sure you will agree, this is an amazing local charity that is close to many people's hearts in our community.

Children may come to school in their Christmas Jumpers / T-Shirts for a £1 donation which will be sent to the Charity.

Thank you for supporting this worthy cause.

The
Children's
Hospital
Charity.



Christmas Performance Tickets



Our Christmas Performances will take place on the following dates and times:

Key Stage 1 – Classes 1 and 2

Nativity – Wednesday 13th December 2023 at 2.00pm and 5.00pm in the Main Hall.
We ask that children return to school at 4.40pm to be ready for their 5.00pm performance.

Key Stage 2 – Classes 3, 4, 5 and 6

Christmas Concert – Thursday 14th December at 2.00pm and 5.00pm in the Main Hall. We ask that children return to school at 4.40pm to be ready for their 5.00pm performance.

EYFS - Classes FS1 and FS2

Nativity – Friday 15th December 2023 at 9.30am in the Main Hall

Tickets are priced at £2 each and this include a raffle ticket to a prize draw at each performance.

Tickets are on sale now at the School Office.

Due to limited space in the hall, please note that only 2 tickets per family are available. However, if you require more than 2 tickets, please let the school office know and we will let you know on Monday 11th December 2023 if we have extra tickets available. Thank you for your understanding.



Christmas Party

Our Christmas Parties will be held on the following dates/times:

18th December 2022 – FS1/FS2 Christmas Party and 'Special Visitor' – 10.10am – 11.30am



19th December 2022 – Classes 3 and 4 Christmas Party from 1pm

20th December 2022 – Classes 5 and 6 Christmas Party from 1 pm

21st December 2023 – Classes 1 and 2 Christmas Party from 1pm

Sandwiches / pizza / sausage & cheese rolls will be provided free of charge to all children (vegan and vegetarian options will also be available), but we would be grateful for donations of snacks such as crisps, biscuits, popcorn, buns and cakes.

Children may also come to school in their party clothes so they don't need to fetch them to change into.

Have fun!!



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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 - Autumn Term 2

13th December 2023 – KS1 Performance - 2.00pm and 5.00pm

14th December 2023 – KS2 Performance – 2.00pm and 5.00pm

15th December 2023 – Christmas Jumper Day – Sheffield Children's Hospital

15th December 2023 – FS1/FS2 Nativity – 9.30am

18th December 2023 – FS1/FS2 Christmas Party

19th December 2023 – Classes 3 and 4 Christmas Party

20th December 2023 – Classes 5 and 6 Christmas Party

21st December 2023 – Classes 1 and 2 Christmas Party

21st December 2023 – Parents Christmas Coffee Morning

22nd December 2023 – School finishes at 3.00pm for Christmas Holidays


















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Lunch Menu – Week 2 – Week Commencing 11th December 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 Pasta		Pasta & Cheese Sauce		Pasta with Italian Tomato & Basil Sauce	
Sandwiches	Freshly Made Sandwich with Cheddar, Tuna Mayonnaise or Ham				
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



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CHRISTMAS CRAFT SESSIONS

FREE

St Johns Church, 19a Church Street,
Swinton, S64 8QA

Come and join us for some free
Christmas Craft sessions, suitable for
all the family.

Saturday 2nd, 9th, 16th December
10am - 11am and 11.30am - 12.30pm

To book your free place please contact
Katie on:

katie.matthews@fluxrotherham.org.uk
or call/text her on 07548 838587

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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](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

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 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.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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St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy Kilnhurst

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
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October (20 Days)

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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

November (19 Days)

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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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March (17 Days)

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April (16 Days)

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

May (18 Days)

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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June (20 Days)


M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

July (16 Days)

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
1	2	3	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	31				


August

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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

 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