



Kilnhurst St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy
Newsletter – Friday 21st June 2024



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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 the Celebration Assembly which will be held next Monday next week. Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend the assembly which starts at 9.05am in the Main Hall.

FS1 – Jay-Jay

FS2 – Erica M

Year 1 – Lilliker-Rose

Year 2 – Louie R

Year 3 – Darbi-May

Year 4 – Harrison C

Year 5 – Harry L

Year 6 – Izzy K

Congratulations to you all.

DOJO Behaviour Awards


The following pupils have achieved an Outstanding Behaviour (DOJO) award this week. As discussed with the pupils, we will no longer be presenting certificates but instead they will each be invited to go in Mrs Sherwood Prize Dip Box at Monday's Assembly. Congratulations to you all.

	Gold
FS1	Kaiyden-Lee
FS2	Luna-Mae
Year 1	Isabella W
Year 2	Louie R
Year 3	Eden C
Year 4	Willow R
Year 5	Isaac S
Year 6	Freddie S

Silver
Maddison-Mae
Evelyn C
Meadow T
Florrie S
Darcie W
Frankie R
Lacie B
Timi O

Bronze
Flynn N
George G
Poppy P
Frankie-Lee
Samuel G
Isobel J
Oliver G
Amelia S

New Celebration Awards - September 2024

From September 2024, we will no longer be presenting 'DOJO' award certificates at our Celebration assemblies. Instead, we will be introducing some new 'Learner Bee'  certificates.

We will however continue to use DOJO in the classrooms and parents/guardians will still be invited to attend Celebration Assemblies. Thank you.

Reading Awards

Congratulations to the following children, who have achieved in who their **Gold**, **Silver** and **Bronze** Reading Badges. Each child will be presented with their Badge at Monday's Celebration Assembly next week. Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend. Well done.

Evie G

Alfie S

Amelia-Lily

Edie-Mia

Annie-Rae

Isabelle P

Aura M



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Weekly Class Attendance

FS1 – 90.9%	FS2 – 82.7%	Year 1 – 94.4%	Year 2 – 92.8%
Year 3 – 98.5%	Year 4 – 93.8%	Year 5 – 94%	Year 6 – 86.9%

Congratulations **Class 3**, you are this week's attendance winners. Well done.
 The whole school attendance this week was **91.8%** - our target is 95%.



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

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 prize from Mrs Sherwood dip box.

Times Tables Rock stars

The following children in Class 4 will be presented with a Times Table Rock Star certificate at Monday's celebration assembly. Well done to you all.

Rock Hero's

Franky M
 Freddie-George
 Frankie R

Rock Legend's

Roman M
 Jayce B
 Bonnie O
 Lucas J
 Sophie W'd
 Timmy C
 Amber-Rose
 Amber C
 Ben L

Rock Star's

Isobel J
 Harrison C
 Pixie-Jae O
 Olivia B

Headliner

Scarlett P
 Shay K
 Willow R
 Taylor F

Unsigned Act

Emmie E

Gigger

Georgia W

Breakthrough Artist

Olivia L

Busker

Poppy H



Transition Dates

Pupils will be transitioning into their new classes on **Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th June 2024 (all day)**. Parents/guardians are asked to drop off and collect their child from their new classes during transition. If you are unsure where your child's new class room is, please see the school office or ask a member of staff. Pupils will return to their current classes on Thursday 27th June 2024.

Our Year 6 pupils will be doing their 2-day transition at Swinton Academy on the same days - **Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th June 2024**.

If your child is not transitioning to Swinton Academy, they are still required to attend school on these days. Thank you.



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School Closed for General Elections

The school will be closed to all pupils on **Thursday 4th July 2024** to be used as a polling station for the general elections. Apologies for any inconvenience.



Leavers Hoodies

A reminder to Year 5 pupils to place their orders for their Year 6 Leavers Hoodies by Friday 5th July 2024. If you require another order form, please see the school office. Thank you.



Swinton Spartans

Well done Joshua in Class 2 whose football team, The Swinton Spartans, won the Cleethorpes Tournament last weekend. Joshua is the Team Captain of his team and we are very proud of him.



Breakfast Club Price Rise

From September 2024, the cost of our breakfast club service will be rising to £2 per day (per child). Apologies for any upset this may cause but due to ongoing rising costs and staffing, we have no choice but to raise the cost so we are able to continue providing this service. Thank you for your understanding.



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Warmer Weather Incoming...

The weather forecast predicts a significant rise in temperature next week so can parents/guardians please ensure your child is wearing sun cream, a sun hat and that they have a water bottle. Thank you.



School Uniform Pop Up Shop

Our Friends of St Thomas' PTA will be holding a 'Uniform Pop Up Shop' on **Wednesday 3rd and 17th July 2024** in the playground after school.

We have lots of various uniform available of all sizes; some of it brand new. Please feel free to come and have a look. All we ask is for is a small donation towards our school fun. Thank you.

New School Opening Hours – September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers.

From September 2024 the school day will be extending to ensure we adhere to the Department of Education statutory requirements that all schools provide 32.5 hours working week.

For children in FS2 to Y6, the school day will be as follow:

- 8.40am – Gates open and class doors are open.
- 8.55am – Gates closed and registration.
- 15.05pm – Gates open
- 15.10pm – End of school day for children.

To ensure consistency we will be changing our Foundation 1 timings also:

- The morning session will start at 8.40am and end at 11.40am.
- The afternoon session will start at 11.40am and end at 2.40pm.
- There will be the option of paying £2.50 to extend the afternoon session to 3.10pm.

Breakfast Club will continue to start at 8.00am at a cost of £2 a day.

I will provide further information regarding the next academic year over the course of this half term.

Kind regards

Mrs V Sherwood
Head of School



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Party Bingo

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY

£3 FOR ADULTS £1.50 FOR CHILDREN

INCLUDES ADMISSION, BINGO TICKETS & ENTRY INTO THE RAFFLE

HOT DOGS AVAILABLE TO PRE-ORDER @ £1 EACH
REFRESHMENTS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE ON THE NIGHT

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM SCHOOL RECEPTION

JULY 2 3PM - 5PM

HOSTED BY FRIENDS OF KILNHURST ST
THOMAS PTA

Come and join us at our Party Bingo on Tuesday 2nd July 2024 after school. Get ready to dance your way through the Bingo games and you could win some amazing chocolate themed prizes! We look forward to seeing you all there.

Tickets are on sale now at the School Reception. If you are unable to come into school to purchase tickets, you may send your child with cash in an envelope to hand in to their Class Teacher, please state on the envelope how many tickets / hot dogs you require. There are limited places available so these will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Thank you.

**Please note children must be accompanied by an adult over 18 years of age.*



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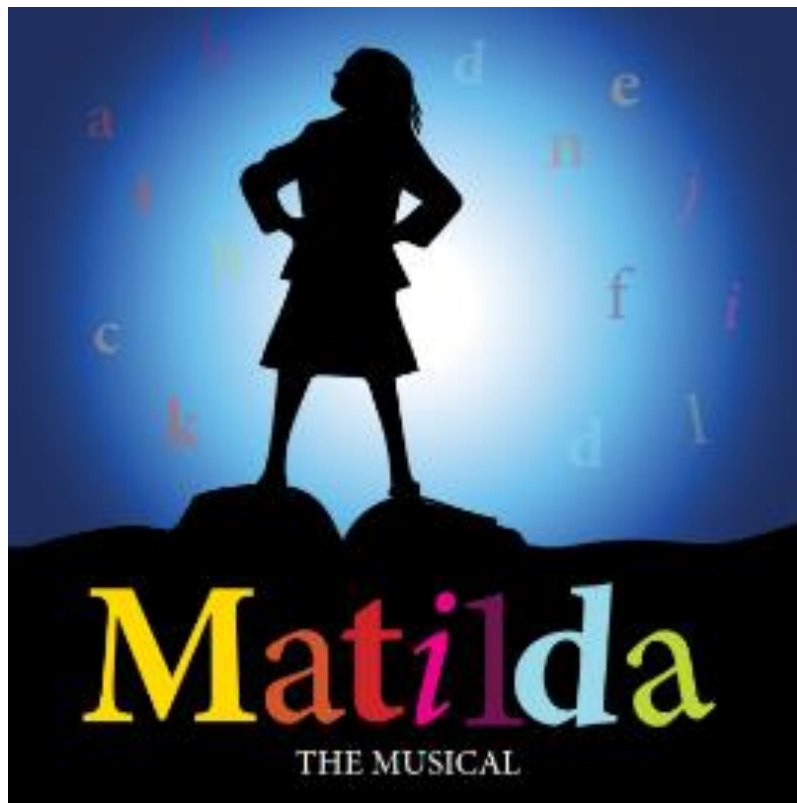


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Classes 5 and 6 Present

'Matilda the Musical'

**On Thursday 18th July 2024 at
1.30pm in the Main Hall**



**Tickets are priced at £3 each and are on sale
now at the school reception.**



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Summer Fayre 2024

Our Summer Fayre will take place this year on the afternoon of **Friday 19th July 2024** (exact times tbc but will be during the afternoon after lunch).

This year we are doing something a little different, we are partnering up with the ProStrike Events Team to take part in a Sponsored ProStrike Speed Challenge. See overleaf for further details from the ProStrike Team.

Alongside this event, we will be doing our usual Summer Fayre stalls: Bric-a-brac / raffle / tombola / refreshments and much much more. Any parents/guardians wishing to have their own stall will be more than welcome, these are priced at £15 each. Please contact the school office for further details.

Also, if anyone has any items they would like to donate to our summer fayre – books, toys, Bric-a-Brac items, please fetch them to the school office where they will be greatly received. Thank you.





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Dear Parents/Carers,

On Friday 19th July the pupils of Kilnhurst St Thomas Academy will be taking part in our sponsored 'Speed Challenge'. There is no fee for participation and every child in the school will take part.

Our Speed Challenge involves a giant inflatable football goal with integrated speed camera system. When a pupil (or teacher) takes a shot at goal the speed is displayed on a digital screen for all to see. Every child in the school will receive a personalised certificate showing their top speed on the day of the event.

Like many fundraising events, funds are raised via pupil sponsorship; children will ask friends and family members to sponsor them to take part in the speed challenge. Your school are not the only ones who can benefit from one of our fundraising events as we offer the pupils the opportunity to win prizes for their fundraising efforts. The more each child can raise, the more prizes they will win. Our prizes include, drinks bottles, gym bags, stationary, medals, trophies and footballs! Your school will receive 50% of all the money raised and all costs associated with running the event come out the remaining 50%.

The children will be shown a virtual assembly where the event will be explained to them. During this assembly the children will be informed of the importance of 'safe' fundraising. We ask that all funds raised are received from friends and family only and pupils are not to knock on doors or ask strangers to sponsor them.

Your child will be fetching a sponsor form home with them soon. The sponsorship form shows what prizes can be won as well as our website and contact details. Please do not hesitate in contacting us if you have any questions regarding the event.

Please note: All ProStrike Events nationwide are now cashless, so all donations need to be made via our secure website.

ProStrike Events Team



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School Dinner Menu – W.C: 24th June 2024

WEEK TWO	GREEN EARTH MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Meal Option 1	Macaroni Cheese	Summer Hot Dog Baguette served with Freshly Made Coleslaw Salad	Roast Gammon Served With Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Beef Bolognese & Penne Pasta	Friday Fish Fingers served with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
Vegetarian Main Meal Option 2	Wholemeal Cheese & Tomato Pizza served with Garlic Bread	Summer Veggie Sausage Hot Dog Baguette Served with Freshly Made Coleslaw Salad	Home Baked Vegetarian Lasagne	Veggie Mince Bolognese & Penne Pasta	Cheese & Onion Puff Pastry Roll Served with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
Jacket Potato	Jacket potato served with either Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo				
Sandwich	Daily Sandwich offer Cheese, Ham, or Tuna mayo				
Vegetables	Selection of Daily Vegetables & Mixed Fresh Salad	Selection of Daily Vegetables & Mixed Fresh Salad	Selection of Daily Vegetables & Mixed Fresh Salad	Selection of Daily Vegetables & Mixed Fresh Salad	Selection of Daily Vegetables & Mixed Fresh Salad
Dessert	Ginger & Mandarin Traybake	Strawberry Jelly	Freshly Baked Chocolate Cookie	Flapjack Finger With a fresh slice of Watermelon	Homemade Shortbread Biscuits



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Dates for your diary - Summer Term 2

- 24th June 2024 – FS1 September Starters Meeting at 2.00pm
- 24th June 2024 – FS2 September Starter Meeting at 4.00pm
- 25th to 26th June 2024 – Transition Days
- 25th June 2024 – Class 1 Family Workshop – Terrific Toys – details to be sent via Class DOJO
- 25th June 2024 – One Voice Choir at Magna (PM)
- 28th June 2024 – FS2 Class Assembly – 2.30pm – details to be sent via Class DOJO
- 1st July 2024 – Art Week
- 2nd July 2024 – Chocolate Bingo Disco
- 3rd July 2024 – Class 2 School Trip to The Yorkshire Wildlife Park
- 3rd July 2024 – School Uniform 'Pop up Shop'
- 3rd to the 5th July 2024 – Class 6 Residential to Kingswood
- 4th July 2024 – School closed to all pupils – General Election Polling Station
- 9th July 2024 – Football tournament (Pupils participating will be informed)
- 11th July 2024 – Rotherham United Inflatable Football Tournament – further details to follow
- 12th July 2024 – School Reports to be sent out to parents/guardians
- 16th July 2024 – Class 5 visiting Swinton Academy all day
- 17th July 2024 – School Uniform 'Pop up Shop'
- 18th July 2024 – Year 6 Matilda Performance (times tbc)
- 19th July 2024 – Summer Fayre (PM)
- 22nd July 2024 – Sponsored Colour Dash Fun Run
- 23rd July 2024 – Parent's Picnic (times tbc)
- 23rd July 2024 – School break up for summer at 3.00pm



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FS1 Provision at St Thomas' Primary Academy



We are currently taking applications for our FS1 provision here at St Thomas' for 3 to 4-year olds. We offer both 15 and 30 hours per week.

If you are interested in putting your child's name down, please contact Miss Cousins at the School Office Reception for an application pack.

All children are entitled to 15 hours a week free child care once they turn 3 and some children are entitled to full-time places (30 hours per week).

We have 3 intakes during the year and children can start with us after their 3rd birthday:

Our intake dates are September / January and April.

We are accepting applications for all intakes and we still have a few places available to start after the Easter break this year.

Please feel free to get in touch if you require any further information or help, we can also arrange visits for you and your child to look around our provision.

We look forward to welcoming you to our school.



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Rotherham Town JFC are looking for players for our brand new U13 Girls Team.

Current Y6 and Y7 (Y7/Y8 from September), all abilities welcome.

Training Thursdays 6pm-7pm and Saturdays 10am-11am at St Bernard's High School, Rotherham, S653BE

**Rotherham Town
Under 13's Wanted!**

**We are looking for September's school year 7 & 8
Girls to complete our new team! Experienced and
new players welcome!**

Contact: Sean --07900053818

PLAYERS MUST NOT BE REGISTERED WITH ANYOTHER SHGWL TEAM



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Please see below details of a Summer Music School from the Rotherham Music Hub.

ROTHERHAM MUSIC HUB

*-Orchestra
-Pop Choir*

*-Rock and Pop bands
-Symphonic Pop*

*-DJ
-Music Tech*

SUMMER MUSIC SCHOOL!
24 - 26 July 2024
Come for 1, 2 or all 3 days!
£20 per day or £50 for all 3

For more information email: Music@rotherham.gov.uk
Oakwood High School S60 2UH



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FREE event in Rotherham Town Centre this July (during the summer holiday) run by Rotherham Council and partners.

UPLIFT

**Thursday 25th until Saturday 27th July, 11am – 4.30pm
Rotherham Town Centre**

UPLIFT returns to Rotherham town centre for its third year, delivered by Rotherham Council in partnership with Flux Rotherham, Children's Capital of Culture and Rotherham Music.

The festival will transform the town centre with a full programme of urban sports activities, music, dance, art and more.

Roller Girl Gang will return with their exciting and fun roller rink in All Saints' Square, and we look forward to welcoming back The House Skate Park too who will offer skateboarding instruction and advice, plus amazing demos to inspire you. Rotherham BMX will be bringing a pop-up BMX, skate and scooter park and new for this year Nova City will be joining us bringing parkour and street dance to add to the amazing mix of activities!

This popular FREE event for young people will also include a live music stage with a programme of brilliant performances, contemporary dance company SAY with their show The Album: Skool Edition, Rotherham United Community Trust and more!

Facebook event page link <https://www.facebook.com/events/1520100578939725/>

Kindest regards,

**Jane Cardie
Event Officer**