



## Kilnhurst St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy Newsletter – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025



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### Celebration Assemblies

There will be no further celebration assemblies this term. We will be doing our end of year assembly on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025 where we will be presenting our attendance winner prizes. Further details to follow.

### Transition

On Monday and Tuesday next week your child will be transitioning into their new classes. On Monday morning you should drop your child off at their current classroom but collect them at the end of their day from their new classrooms (if you are unsure where this is, please ask a staff member). On Tuesday; children should be dropped off and collected from their new classrooms. Thank you.

### Year 6 Residential

Our year 6 pupils attended their 2-night residential this week at Kingswood in Denaby. Pupils had a great time taking part in some amazing activities including archery, raft building, zip wiring, orienteering, a scrapheap challenge and much more.

Well done Class 6, we are so proud of you all. For more photos, please visit the class DOJO page.



### Reading Awards

The following children have achieved their **Silver** and **Gold** Reading Awards. They will each be presented with their badge at Monday's celebration assembly. Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend the assembly which starts at 9.05am. Well done!

#### Class 2

Leo E	Isabella W
Alice A	Hugo
Autumn A	



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## Weekly Class Attendance

FS1 – 98.1%	FS2 – 89.8%	Year 1 – 97.7%	Year 2 – 99.3%
Year 3 – 94.8%	Year 4 – 88.1%	<b>Year 5 – 99.6%</b>	Year 6 – 89.2%

Congratulations to **Class 5**, who are this week's attendance winners.

The whole school attendance this week was **94.5%** - just below our target of 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.

## School Menu (week 1) W.C: 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025 Special Menu – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – see overleaf

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<div> <b>Spring / Summer Menu Week 1</b> 14<sup>th</sup> April, 5<sup>th</sup> May, 26<sup>th</sup> May, 16<sup>th</sup> June, 7<sup>th</sup> July, 28<sup>th</sup> July, 18<sup>th</sup> Aug, 8<sup>th</sup> Sept, 29<sup>th</sup> Sept, 20<sup>th</sup> Oct 2025 </div>					
	FAVOURITES MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY	ROAST WEDNESDAY	PIZZA PARTY THURSDAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal Option	Pork Sausage Toad in the Hole & Home-baked Potato Wedges	Red Tractor Mild Chicken Curry, Mixed Wholegrain & White Rice	Roast Chicken, Gravy, Stuffing & Mashed Potato or Roast Potatoes	Wholemeal Margherita Pizza & Pasta Salad	MSC Fish Fingers & Chips
Vegetarian Option	Veggie Sausage Toad in the Hole & Home-baked Potato Wedges	Macaroni Cheese	Quorn Grill, Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Pasta with Tomato and Basil Sauce	Cheese Flan, Chips & Ketchup
Vegetables	Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots & Sweetcorn	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Sliced Carrots	Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots	Carrot & Cucumber Sticks or British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Sweetcorn	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Sandwiches	Freshly Made Sandwich with Cheddar, Tuna Mayonnaise or Ham				
Baked Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo, Cheese, Salmon Mayo, or Beans
Dessert	Banana Mousse & Orange Smiles	Marble Sponge <sup>VG</sup> & Custard	Strawberry Jelly with Watermelon Slice <sup>VG</sup>	Vanilla Cookie <sup>VG</sup>	Iced Sponge Cake with Sprinkles





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# Super Summer Feast!

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

**Pepperoni Pizza Slice**  
**Or**  
**Cheese and Tomato Pizza**  
**Served with**  
**Potato Wedges**  
**Baked Beans & Sweetcorn**

**Dessert**  
**Summer Cupcake**





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### Summer Fayre 2025 – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

The gates will be open from 1.15pm - Parents/Guardians are asked to pick their children up from their classrooms before heading around the fayre. Stalls will be set up around the playground area. If rain is forecast, the fayre will be held indoors.

Children whose Parents/Guardians are unable to attend will be taken around the fayre by a member of staff. You may send them with some money to spend, please put this in an envelope with your child's name written on and hand it to their class teacher during morning registration.

There will be lots of stalls on the day including, Bric-a-Brac, Games, Toys, Books, Tombola, Cakes, Sweets, Refreshments including ice creams/lollies plus much more.

If anyone would like their own stall to sell items, please contact the school office. These are priced at £15 each. The gates will be open for you to set up from 12.30pm.

Please note we are only able to accept cash payments at the fayre.

We would be thankful for donations of the following items:

- Bric-a-brac items
- Toys
- Books
- Chocolates / sweets
- Toiletries
- Gift sets
- Buns / cakes
- Cuddly Toys

All donations can be left at the school office. Thank you.





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### Pro Strike Event 2025 – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

We are pleased to confirm we are partnering up with the ProStrike Events Team again this year (during the morning of the 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025) to take part in a Sponsored ProStrike Speed Challenge.

The event involves a giant inflatable football goal with an integrated speed radar. When a pupil takes a shot at the goal the speed is displayed on a digital screen. We want everyone to enjoy the event, so every pupil will take part in the event regardless of ability or sponsors.

All the children take 3 shots each and we record their fastest speed on a certificate for them to keep. There will also be lots of great prizes to be won. Sponsor forms have now been sent home with the children. Please note if you are doing your sponsors online, these need to be submitted before midnight the day before the event (17<sup>th</sup> July 2025).

Unfortunately, Parents/Guardians are not invited to attend this event.







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**Year 6 End of Year Performance – Annie the Musical**

Our Year 6 pupils will be doing their end of year performance of 'Annie the Musical' on **Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 1.30pm in the Main Hall.**

Parents/Guardians are invited to attend what will be an amazing performance. Tickets are on sale now at the school office and are priced at £3 each (everyone is welcome). We look forward to seeing you there.

**Annie**

**Sports Day 2025**

Sports Day will be held on **Friday 11th July 2025** this year.

**FS1/FS2** will be holding their sports day after morning registration at **9.15am**. Children should be dropped off at school as normal. If you're able to stay for Sports Day, please make your way to the school field after drop-off.

Once your child is registered, you will be asked to collect them from their classroom so that you can accompany them as they move around the different activities with their team.

**KS1 & KS2** will be participating at the same time during the afternoon from **1.25pm to 2.35pm**. Gates will open at 1.05pm - parents/guardians are asked to head around to the field upon entry. Please note the gates will be locked at 1.20pm so please ensure you arrive before this time.

Children have been assigned their team colours via their class DOJO.

The event should be finished by 2.35pm and parents/guardians that attend Sports Day may take their children home early. Please collect your child from their classroom.

The main gates will be open from **2.45pm** and children (including FS1/2) may be collected early if you wish.

Parents/Guardians are advised to fetch a picnic blanket / camp chair to sit on. Can we please ask that no dogs are brought on school grounds and also kindly request that parents/guardians do not smoke or vape on school grounds. Thank you.

Refreshments and ice lollies will be on sale after the event(s) (cash only please).

Thank you for your continued support and you have a week to prepare for the PARENTS RACE!!!



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### Parent/Guardian Picnic — Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025

Parents/Guardians are invited to join us from 12noon on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 for a summer 'end of year' picnic.

The school will provide sandwiches, pizza, sausage & cheese rolls and chicken & veggie nuggets for all children (free of charge) but if parents/guardians would like to send some snacks in with their child, this would be greatly appreciated. Unfortunately, we are unable to provide food for our parents/guardians.

If the weather is fine, the picnic will be held on the School Field. The gates will open at 12 noon and parents/guardians can collect their child from class. We would advise you fetch a blanket / camp chair to sit on. We will then have our picnic from 12.15pm and Parents/Guardians may take their child home from 1.15pm if they wish.

Unfortunately, if rain is forecast for this day, we will not be able to invite parents / guardians into school and the children will have their picnic indoors.



### Sponsored 'Colour' Run

We are pleased to announce the Friends of St. Thomas PTA will be holding a Colour Obstacle Run on the afternoon of **Friday the 12th September 2025** to raise much needed funds for the school. This event was very popular last year and we know lots of our pupils are excited to take part again.

Tickets to take part in the event are £4 each and are available to purchase from the school office. Children have also been given sponsor forms if they wish to raise further funds. Pupils who raise the most through sponsorship will be given the opportunity to colour bomb one of our teachers 😊.

Sponsor and waiver forms have been sent home with the children this week. If your child wishes to take part, you must ensure you have signed the waiver form and returned it to the school office/class teacher. Unfortunately, without a signed waiver form your child will be unable to take part. Thank you.





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### New School Meals Provider

The Diocese of Sheffield Academies Trust are delighted to announce that The Pantry Catering will be joining us as our new catering provider across all of our Schools, starting from September 2025!

The Pantry are an independently-owned, family-run business, that always puts children first, serving up fresh, filling and fantastic food that tastes just as good as it looks! They develop every menu to ensure their meals are nutritionally-balanced, tasty and appetising, so children enjoy what they eat, and parents know their children are being well looked-after at lunchtime.

The Pantry started out as a humble Sandwich Shop in West London back in 2006, and have quietly grown into one of the foremost Contract Caterers in the country, now partnering with over 170 Schools across the length and breadth of England. They pride themselves on the quality of service they deliver to every customer, and that quality has been recognised with numerous awards across the catering industry in recent years.

They include **'Contract Caterer of the Year'** at the 2023 Public Sector Catering Awards, **'Caterer of the Year'** at the 2023 Local Authority Catering Association Awards, **'Growing Business of the Year'** at both the 2023 and 2024 Growing Business Awards, the **'Marketing Award'** at the 2024 Contract Catering Awards, and most excitingly, **'Education Caterer of the Year'** at the 2024 Foodservice Cateys – the 'Oscars' of the Catering Industry!

We're very much looking forward to welcoming The Pantry into our Trust, and Schools, and delivering an excellent catering service for all of our pupils.

New menus will be sent out to parents/guardians as soon as these are available.







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### Easyfundraising

St Thomas' have been given the opportunity to sign up to 'Easyfundraising'. We are hoping to raise enough money to complete the refurbishment of our Library, to re-paint the playground markings and to create a new outside reading area for our children.

How does it work? Download the app and register; and when you purchase items online from over 8000 retailers (including Tesco, Amazon, Argos) they donate part of what you spend to our fundraising cause. It won't cost you any extra; the cost is covered by the brand!

Please visit the link below for further details.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-thomas-primary-academy-kilnhurst>

Thank you for your support.

### Dates for your Diary

#### Summer Term 2

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – Transition to New Classes

8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – Class 6 Transition to Swinton Academy

9<sup>th</sup> July 2025 - Class 1 School Trip to Cannon Hall Museum

11<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – Sports Day

14<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – School Reports out to parents/guardians (by email)

15<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – Class 5 Activity Day at Swinton Academy

18<sup>th</sup> July 2025 – Pro Strike Event – AM (pupils only)

18<sup>th</sup> July 2025 - Summer Fayre from 1.15pm

21<sup>st</sup> July 2025 – Year 6 End of Year water fight – further details to follow

21<sup>st</sup> July 2025 – Toy Day – further details to follow

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 – Last Day of Term and Parent/Guardians Picnic – 12 noon

23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025 – School Closed for Summer

1<sup>st</sup> September 2025 – INSET DAY – School Closed to all pupils

2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025- School re-opens for the new Academic Year to all pupils





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# SUMMER BROOKFIELD



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WEEK 1 - MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY - THURSDAY 29<sup>TH</sup>  
WEEK 2 - MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> AUG - THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AUG  
WEEK 3 - MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> AUG - THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> AUG  
10 AM TILL 2PM



Lime Grove,  
Swinton,  
Mexborough S64  
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Did you know that pharmacies can now offer **clinical appointments** with medication available if required for four **clinical conditions** particularly relevant to **school age children**?



- ✓ Earache (Children aged 1-17)
- ✓ Sore throat (Over 5 years)
- ✓ Infected insect bites (Over 1 years)
- ✓ Impetigo (Over 1 years)



**THINK 'Pharmacy First'**



GP practices are busy, and it can be difficult to get a same day GP appointment. When your child is off sick from school with any of the above conditions, by going straight to your local Lo's Pharmacy you can have a consultation with a trained pharmacist, receive advice and even medication if needed. Meaning children could be on the road to recovery and back to school as soon as possible.

**Walk in's welcome**





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**Pops Outdoor Adventure Centre pick up children from St Thomas' daily.  
If you are interested in your child attending, please get in touch with them.**

Pops Ranger Kids is unique club for children looking for adventure.  
What better way to end your School day by taking part in our After  
School Adventure Club? Packed full of activities, games and bushcraft to  
help you become an amazing outdoor adventurer!

**Every Day After School Until 6:00pm**

### **Pops Outdoor Adventure Centre – Rawmarsh**

The Bowling Green Pavilion,  
Rosehill Park, Rawmarsh,  
Rotherham. S62 7FL  
Rawmarsh: **01709 527023**

[info@popsoutdooradventure.co.uk](mailto:info@popsoutdooradventure.co.uk)

**Pop's**  
OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

**GREAT NEWS!**

**RAWMARSH**

Pops After School Club and  
Holiday Clubs are now accepting  
FS2 age Children!

**STARTS 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE!**

[www.popsoutdooradventure.co.uk](http://www.popsoutdooradventure.co.uk)

01709 527023 (Option 2)

Department for Education  
Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council  
Pops After School Club Rawmarsh is based in The Old Bowling Green Pavilion, Rosehill Park, Rawmarsh. Children can attend from 4:30pm to 6:00pm following their 4th Birthday to 11 years old. Pops Outdoor Adventure Rawmarsh is an Ofsted registered Early Years childcare provider. All bookings are made online through our website. To find out more about our club, please visit our website. Details subject to availability. © 2025 Pops Outdoor Adventure.