



Kilnhurst St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy
Newsletter – Friday 7th June 2024



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Welcome Back

Welcome back to our last term this academic year - only 6 weeks until the summer holidays! We have lots of exciting things to look forward to this term. Our pupils will be transitioning to their new classes and we will also be welcoming our new FS1/2 pupils into school. Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to our year 6 pupils as they get ready to continue their education at secondary school. We will make sure they have a memorable last term with us at St Thomas'.

We also have lots of other exciting things planned for our pupils this term including the Bingo Disco, Rotherham United Inflatable Football Shoot out, the Sponsored Colour Dash, and our Summer Fayre. Keep an eye out on DOJO and the Newsletter for further details.



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 – Archie M
FS2 – Harriett K
Year 1 – Leo E
Year 2 – Joey Y

Year 3 – Brook K
Year 4 – Olivia B
Year 5 – Tom M
Year 6 – Libby C

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
FS1 Maddison C
FS2 Axle-Anthony
Year 1 Bradley W
Year 2 Hudson C
Year 3 Esmail M
Year 4 Scarlett P
Year 5 Alfie S
Year 6 Freddie S

Silver
Holden C
Erica M
Lily R
Julian W
Darcie W
Amber C
Aimee R
Holly W

Bronze
Owen L
Olly B
Mila-Sue S
Sophie Y
Aliyah L
Bonnie O
Toby H
Kaylum D

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Reading Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have achieved 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.

FS1

Harper R
Evelyn C
Amy E

Class 6

Finley J

Weekly Class Attendance

FS1 – 94.6%	FS2 – 95.4%	Year 1 – 88.7%	Year 2 – 90.3%
Year 3 – 93.7%	Year 4 – 95.8%	Year 5 – 95.9%	Year 6 – 85%

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



**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.

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.

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.





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After School Clubs

Please see below a list of After School Clubs running this term.

The club's will start next week - w/c: 10th June 2024.

To book a place you will need to log into your Arbor app. Please note there are limited places on each club so places are given on a first come first serve basis. Thank you.

After School Clubs – Summer Term 1

After School Club	Children Eligible	Day	Time
Multi Sports with Mrs Walker	Years 3 to 6	Monday's	3.00pm to 4.00pm
Minecraft / Football card Club with Mr Walton	Years 1 to 6	Tuesday's	3.00pm to 4.00pm
Football Club with Mr Lyons and Mr Turner	Year 3 to 6	Thursday's	3.00pm to 4.00pm

Please note there will also be no After School Clubs held during the last week of term – W.C. 15th July 2024.

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.



Music Assembly / Guitar Lessons

On Wednesday this week, Amber in C4 and Amber in C3 gave a guitar demonstration with their music teacher, Mrs Gaspar. They were amazing and we were all very impressed with their skills.

After the assembly, many children expressed an interest in learning the guitar. Therefore, if your child would like to do weekly guitar lessons, you can apply through the Rotherham Music Service where they come into school weekly to delivery lessons to children (please note there is a charge). Lessons and guitar hire are available to all pupils from FS2 upwards.

For further details and an application form, please contact the school office. Thank you.



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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

Tickets go on sale from Monday morning 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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Week	Theme	Overview	Resources
1 20 th June 2024 2pm – 3pm	Introduction	<i>Parents/Guardians only</i> Introduction to Programme Completion of enrolment paperwork Completion of National Numeracy Challenge	iPads, Enrolment Forms, Pens, Indoor Space, Projector, Screen
2 27 th June 2024 2pm – 3pm	Premier League Maths Challenge (<i>Mental Arithmetic</i>)	<i>Parents/Guardians & Pupils</i> Pupils will practise memorising multiplication tables by multiplying 1-, 2- and 3-digit numbers mentally and develop their ability to solve a range of mental multiplication problems using different strategies	iPads, Worksheets, Pens, Indoor Space, Projector, Screen
3 4 th July 2024 2pm – 3pm	Career Mode - Scout (<i>Fractions & Percentages</i>)	<i>Parents/Guardians & Pupils</i> Pupils will learn about the career role of a Football Club Scout and complete a comparison task which will involve fractions, decimals and percentages.	iPads, Worksheets, Pens, Indoor Space, Projector, Screen
4 11 th July 2024 2pm – 3pm	Adrenaline Maths (<i>Active Learning</i>)	<i>Parents/Guardians & Pupils</i> In this activity, pupils learn to calculate factors, identify prime numbers and carry out various mental calculations to try and score maximum points!	Outdoor Space, footballs, cones, worksheets, player cards

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to inform you that Rotherham United Community Trust are offering our school a 4-week programme, which will allow you to take part in learning activities with your child in school.

You will have the opportunity to observe the teacher, develop knowledge and strategies, and then work with your child to apply new skills specifically around Maths.

The programme is also designed for adults to improve their Numeracy skills, gain confidence with numbers and explore further learning opportunities.

Below is an overview of the programme including the activities you can take part in (see image attached).

Refreshments will be provided at each session and participants who attend all 4 sessions will receive 2 tickets to a Rotherham United Home Game.

To register you and your child, please contact Miss Cousins at the School Reception.

Yours Sincerely,
 James Mahoney



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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. 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 if they have been sponsored or not. 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. Further details and sponsor forms will be sent home with the children nearer the time.

Alongside this event, we will be doing our usual Summer Fayre stalls: Bric-a-brac / raffle / tombola / refreshments and much much more. If anyone has any items they would like to donate to our summer fayre, please fetch them to the school office where they will be greatly received. Thank you.





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Class Photos

The children had their class photos taken this week. Proofs will be sent out to parents/guardians as soon as we receive them from the photography company. The did say it could take up to 2 weeks for them to arrive. Once you receive your proof, you can order direct from the company to be delivered to school. Thank you.

School Dinner Menu – W.C: 10 June 2024

WEEK THREE	GREEN EARTH MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Meal Option 1	Wholemeal Cheese & Tomato Pizza served with Wholemeal Garlic Bread	Farm Assured Pork Sausage Roll with Homemade Skin on Baked Potato Wedges	'Special Menu' See overleaf	Korean Style Sticky BBQ Chicken & Vegetables served with Noodles	Friday Fish Fingers served with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
Vegetarian Main Meal Option 2	Mildly Spiced Vegetable Chilli & Rice	Cheese & Onion Puff Pastry Roll served with Homemade Skin on Baked Potato Wedges		Korean Style Sticky BBQ Quorn, Vegetables & Noodles	Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza Whirl & Chips
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
Dessert	Baked Apple Sponge served with Custard	Tutti Frutti Jelly and Mandarins		Zesty Lemon & Blueberry Yoghurt Cake	Homemade Flapjack



Festival of Sports Menu

Wednesday 12th June Main Dish

Crunchy Chicken Wrap

Or

Veggie Nugget Wrap

Served with

Potato Wedges

Fab 4 Salad & Sweetcorn

Dessert

Oat & Raisin Cookie
& Fresh Watermelon Slice



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Dates for your diary - Summer Term 2

- 18th June 2024 – Year 6 Sports afternoon at Swinton Academy
- 18th June 2024 – Kingswood Residential Parents Meeting at 3.15pm in C6
- 20th June 2024 – Year 3 and 4 Girls Football – further details to follow (chosen pupils only)
- 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
- 2nd July 2024 – Chocolate Bingo Disco
- 3rd July 2024 – Class 2 School Trip to The Yorkshire Wildlife Park
- 3rd to the 5th July 2024 – Class 6 Residential to Kingswood
- 11th July 2024 – Rotherham United Inflatable Football Tournament – further details to follow
- 12th July 2024 – School Reports to be sent out to parents
- 16th July 2024 – Class 5 visiting Swinton Academy all day
- 19th July 2024 – Summer Fayre (PM)
- 22nd July 2024 – Sponsored Colour Dash Race
- 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 old's. 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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School Calendar 2024


March (17 Days)							April (16 Days)							May (18 Days)						
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June (20 Days)							July (16 Days)							August						
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 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