



Kilnhurst St Thomas' C of E Primary Academy Newsletter – Friday 7th November 2025



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Welcome Back

Welcome back, we hope you have had a lovely break.

This term is always very exciting for the children with the run up to Christmas; and we have lots of exciting events planned.

Our Christmas Fayre will take place at the end of this month – Friday 28th November 2025, so if you fancy having a clear out ready for Christmas, we will happily take items for our Bric-a-Brac / Tombola stalls.

The children will be having their Christmas Dinner on the 3rd December 2025 and they have started their rehearsals for their Christmas Performances.

During the last week of term, the children will each have their own Christmas Party and the whole school will visit St Thomas' Church for a traditional Christmas service.

Only 48 days until Christmas!

Behaviour Bees – Celebration Assembly – Monday 10th November 2025



Learner Bee of the Week

The following children have been chosen as 'Learner Bee of the Week' by their class teacher. Each child will be presented with a certificate at Monday's Celebration Assembly.

FS1 - Julian F
FS2 - Darcy K
Class 1 - Alice M
Class 2 - Amy E

Class 3 - Poppy P
Class 4 - Sophie Y
Class 5 - Harrison Y
Class 6 - Freddie G-T

Best Worker Bee of the Week

The following children have been chosen as 'Best Worker Bee' by their class teacher. Each child will show their work and be presented with a certificate at Monday's celebration assembly.

FS1 - April-Rose
FS2 - Teddy L
Class 1 - Eddie Mc
Class 2 - Axle G

Class 3 - Jax S
Class 4 - Lacey B
Class 5 - Brook K
Class 6 - Jayce B

Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend the assembly which begins at 9.05am in the Main Hall.



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Weekly Class Attendance

FS1 – 88.7%	FS2 – 88.5%	Year 1 – 98.8%	Year 2 – 95.2%
Year 3 – 93.1%	Year 4 – 96.5%	Year 5 – 88.9%	Year 6 – 99.4%

Congratulations to **Class 6**, who are this week's attendance winners. Well done.
The whole school attendance this week was **93.8%** - 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.

Reading Awards

Congratulations to the following children have achieved their Bronze reading badge (50 reads). They will each be presented with their badge at Monday's celebration assembly.

Class 4

Sophie Y
Mollie S
Esmay G

Class 5

Lillie-Rose
Leah Y
Brook K

Class 6

Taylor F
Scarlett P
Pixie-Jae
Isabel J



Easyfundraising

St Thomas' have been given the opportunity to sign up to 'Easyfundraising'.

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.



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Flu Immunisations – 5th December 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school this year, please follow this link to complete an online consent form. If you would like to decline, please complete a no consent form on the link below:

<https://nhsImms.azurewebsites.net/session/85fa38cb>

The vaccinations will take place at your child's school on 5th December 2025. **The link will close on the 21st November 2025.** If your child has already had the Flu vaccine elsewhere since Sept 2025, please disregard this message. If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 3583 397 option 6.

Usborne's Sponsored Reading Challenge

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Usbornes sponsored reading challenge.

Can we please ask that all sponsor forms and money are handed in to either the school office or your child's class teacher asap.

Thank you for supporting this event. We will let you know how much we have raised next week.



Children in Need – Friday 14th November 2025

St Thomas' will be taking part in this year's Children in Need next Friday the 14th November 2025.

We will be holding a non-uniform day so children may come to school in their own clothes for a £1 donation. All money raised will be sent to the Children in Need Charity.

Thank you for supporting this worthy cause.





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Poppy's in the Community

Thank you to everyone who purchased poppy's this week in support of the Royal British Legion.

A special thank you to everyone who created craft items for our Poppy Display.

Here are some of the beautiful creations our children made:





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Christmas Fayre 2025



Our Christmas Fayre will take place this year on Friday 28th November 2025

Gates will open at 1.10pm and parents/guardians may go and collect their child from class and then head into the Fayre through the Main Reception.

Please note, for safeguarding we will only be opening the front main gates at 1.10pm.

Please note that some of the children will be in different classes for collection due to some of our classes been used for the fayre, parents/guardians will be informed nearer the time.

Each class will be selling their handmade items and we will also have the following stalls:

Sweets Stall
Bric-a-Brac
Tombola
Book Stall
Santa's Grotto
Teddy Tombola
Plus much more....

We would be very grateful for donations of the following items:

Unwanted gift sets
Toiletries
Buns / cakes
Sweets / Chocolate
Bric-a-Brac items
Books
Soft toys / Teddy Bears

If any parents/guardians would like to run their own stall, please contact the school office for further information.



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Christmas Hamper Raffle

We will be sending out raffle tickets next week for a chance to win a Christmas Hamper plus many other prizes. A strip of raffle tickets will be sent home with each child. If you wish to purchase them, please return one half of the tickets to school along with the money enclosed. If you could write your child's name on the back of the tickets, that would be helpful. These are priced at £1 a strip. If you wish to purchase more tickets, these are on sale at the school office and we will be selling them at the Christmas Fayre also. The raffle will be drawn on Monday 1st December 2025. Good Luck!



Dates for your Diary – Autumn Term 2

- 14th November 2025 – Children in Need – Non-Uniform Day
- 19th November 2025 – 2.30pm - Specialist Inclusion Team Parent Coffee Meeting
- 26th November 2025 – School Nursing Team Parent Workshop – Toileting and Phobia
- 28th November 2025 – Christmas Fayre (see poster above)
- 3rd December 2025 – Christmas Lunch/Jumper Day
- 4th December 2025 – Y3 and Y5 – Bullying and Kindness workshop WMIN (PM)
- 5th December 2025 – Flu Vaccination (AM) (FS2 to year 6 pupils)
- 9th December 2025 – School Nursing Team – Exercise Workshop with Class 2 (AM)
- 9th December 2025 – Y1 'Worry Monster' Workshop WMIN (AM)
- 9th December 2024 – Y5/6 – Anxiety Workshop WMIN (PM)
- 9th December 2025 – KS1 Christmas Performance at 2.00pm and 5.00pm
- 10th December 2025 – KS2 Christmas Performance at 2.00pm and 5.00pm
- 11th December 2025 – Year 2 'Worry Monster' workshop WMIN
- 11th December 2025 – EYFS (FS1/2) – Christmas Boogie Woogie Nativity at 9.30am
- 15th December 2025 – Years 3 & 4 Christmas Party (PM)
- 16th December 2025 – Years 5 & 6 Christmas Party (PM)
- 17th December 2025 – FS1/2 Christmas Party (AM)
- 18th December 2025 – Years 1 & 2 Christmas Party (PM)
- 19th December 2025 – Christmas Church Service at St Thomas' Church – 9.30am (all welcome)
- 19th December 2025 – Christmas Singalong with Mrs Sherwood – 2.30pm (pupils only)
- 19th December 2025 – School Break up for Christmas at 3.15pm.





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**

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