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What week is it for school dinners on Monday 6th November?

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GREEN MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Macaroni Cheese	BBQ Chicken Meatballs with Mixed Rice	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Beef Chilli with Mixed Rice	Fish Fingers with Chips
Beany Sausage Pitta	Veggie Mince Cottage Pie	Vegetable Sausage with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Garlic Bread	Cheese & Onion Roll with Chips
Jacket Potato with Cheese or Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Baked Beans or Tuna Mayo
Cheese Sandwich	Cheese Wrap	Cheese Sandwich	Cheese Wrap	Cheese Sandwich
	Tuna Sandwich	Tuna Wrap	Tuna Sandwich	Tuna Wrap
Sweetcorn Cauliflower	Mixed Vegetables Garden Peas	Seasonal Greens Carrots	Green Beans Cauliflower	Baked Beans Garden Peas
Chocolate Banana Cake	Flapjack with Fruit	Chocolate Sponge with Custard	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Shortbread with Mandarins

Dates to Remember and Other Important Things!

Monday 6th November 2023	Y1JN Local Walk	Rearranged from last week due to the weather!
Wednesday 8th November 2023	F2 Stay and Learn Early Maths	8:45 to 9:30am in the classroom: Parents of children in Reception are invited to join the children to learn more about how early maths is taught in school!
Thursday 9th November 2023	Y1CF Local Walk	Rearranged from last week due to the weather!
Friday 10th November 2023	Year 5 Visit from the Mobile Planetarium	The Planetarium will be coming to school for Year 5 to explore the Universe. Please sign up on ParentPay!
Tuesday 14th November 2023	Year 2 Trip to Kelham Island Museum	Children will be walking, and taking part in a wonderful workshop. Please sign up on ParentPay!
Friday 17th November 2023	Mr Potato Head's Birthday Party in Reception Classes	Children in Reception classes do not need to wear school uniform today, it's party day for Mr Potato Head!
Thursday 23rd November 2023	Year 1 Trip to National Emergency Services Museum	Children will be travelling by bus. Please sign up on ParentPay!
Thursday 30th November 2023	EYFS Workshop 5 For parents of children in Nursery and Reception	9:00am to 10:15am in the community centre, go straight in after Stay & Play in class!

Contact us: enquiries@stcatherines.academy or www.stcatherines.academy/contact



Attendance and Punctuality

The highest attendance in school last week was 100% well done to the following class:

Y6RR

You'll be having a little treat this week for the highest attendance!

Overall school attendance for last week was:

95.7%

Class	Teacher	% Attendance
F2AW	Mrs Wood & Mrs Atkinson	96.6
F2DJ	Miss Jefferies	95.3
Y1JN	Miss Ng	93.3
Y1CF	Miss Fitton	92.7
Y2EH	Miss Huddleston	96.0
Y2NR	Miss Rodgers	95.0
Y3EB	Miss Brian	95.3
Y3IF	Miss Frost	94.9
Y4ED	Miss Drinkhill	99.4
Y4IK	Miss Kirk	97.7
Y5RH	Miss Hammonds	94.5
Y5SF	Mr Fowler	95.7
Y6RC	Miss Conway	92.5
Y6RR	Mrs Ralph	100.0



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MERIT WINNERS – well done to all of you!

Y1JN	Abigail	For coming back from half term with a fabulous attitude to learning!
	Ihechi	For being brave and joining a new RWI group, with fabulous results!
Y1CF	Tadala	For her retrieval of all of her learning this week, she has an amazing memory!
	Abbie	For the beautiful diary she wrote over half term, she tried really hard with her writing and it was amazing!
Y2EH	Amna	For being a delight in class and a super helpful classmate!
	Noah	For a huge improvement in his confidence and involvement in lessons!
Y2NR	Abu-Bakr	For amazing participation in collective worship this week, thinking carefully about our scripture and linking it to events happening around the world!
	Yuel	For outstanding manners, and for always showing kindness and respect to his peers!
Y3EB	Esther	For her hard work and dedication in Maths, and being so proud of the work she produced!
	Heaven	For making a lot of good choices this week, and working really hard all week!
Y3IF	Misgana	For pushing yourself and trying to work more independently this week!
	Oliver	For being enthusiastic this week in our lessons, especially our mythology lesson. Oliver contributed lots of great answers!
Y4ED	Jacob	For making a fantastic start to Autumn 2, and making more positive choices!
	Rimoune	For finishing RWI due to his determination!
	Nathan	For being considerate and kind to other children!
Y4IK	Ellie	For great enthusiasm, interesting contributions, neat work and accurate editing!
	Sana	For increased maturity and practicality in the classroom, great book recommendations, and lovely suggestions!
Y5RH	Naomi	For her own self-directed research around the feast day of St Catherine after our learning around All Saints Day!
	Shaun	For his focus in Literacy this week, and really speedy work when critiquing the wagoll!
Y5SF	Siem	For his incredible contributions to our classroom life as a reader, with facts, and as a great partner!
	Aatif	For his incredible effort and perseverance this week in Literacy!
Y6RC	Chris	For great reading for pleasure in class, reading different genres and doing book chat!
	Sophia	For taking great pride in her presentation, and a great History analyse!
Y6RR	Layan	For working so hard with her learning, writing an amazing paragraph on Clicker and impressing Mr Fowler by reading loads around school!
	Muhammad	For really impressing me with his project knowledge, especially during an analyse lesson this week!



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LUNCHTIME AWARDS – well done to all of you!

WOW	Nicholas, Y4ED	For being a good all round sportsperson and playing fair with his friends!
Yard Winners:		Year 4



Miss Conway is arranging some filming in school of the children at prayer in the morning, at dinner time, and at the end of the day. The children will be filmed with sensitivity and respect, and the short films will appear on our school website. If your child has permission for Twitter, they will be included in the filming. Please let us know if you feel at all anxious about this, and Miss Conway will be able to respond to any worries you might have.



Children in Year 1 to Year 6 will be bringing home a paper copy of the Maths Challenge, we'll send it on Monday!



Key Stage 1 Maths Challenge – November 2023

Making 6p

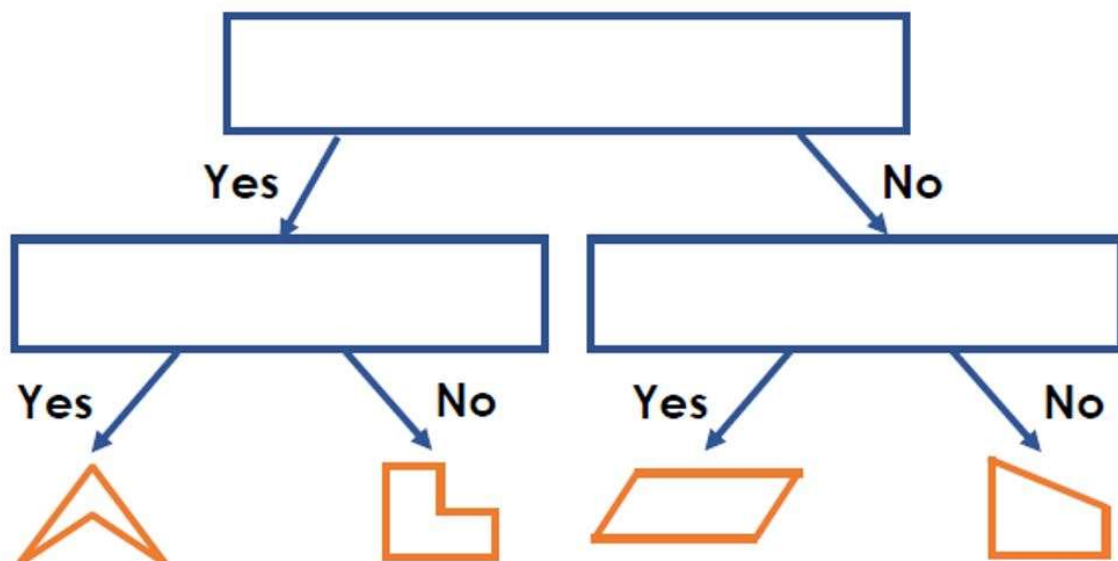
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Can you make 6p using the different amount of coins?

Is there more than one way of making the different values?

Key Stage 2 Maths Challenge – November 2023

A Very Shapey Tree Diagram



Can you write statements in the boxes to get the correct answer?



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A Culture of Safeguarding at St Catherine's

When a child is under the weather ...

Sometimes, children are not sure if they feel well enough to come to school, and they might persuade their parent to ask the teacher for them to stay in at playtime, or to not take part in PE, or to miss swimming, etc.

We know what it feels like, we do understand, but children in school should access all aspects of school life.

If a child develops an illness during the day and they are not able to fully take part, we will contact you to let you know, and you might be asked to collect them from school. Please make sure that we have your correct contact details, we are happy to add a work telephone number to the list in case you are not able to have your phone with you whilst your child is at school.

If a child does have a condition that means they cannot access fresh air during the day, or if they need to avoid contact with others because of an injury, please email us or telephone, and we will arrange for the right person to contact you to discuss a temporary Care Plan.



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We are so very proud of all our award winners, here they all are!



Thank you to the Children's University for recognising the achievements of our children, and for rewarding their engagement with activities outside the school day! You can find out more about the Children's University on the school website: <https://www.stcatherines.academy/extended-schools>

Contact us: enquiries@stcatherines.academy or www.stcatherines.academy/contact



AUTISM AND ANXIETY INFORMATION SESSION

ALL WELCOME – No diagnosis required.

FREE of charge

**Thurs 23rd
November
12.30 – 2 pm**

First Start Family Hub,
441 Firth Park Road,
S5 6HH



- Join one of our Peer Support Workers to learn more about Autism and anxiety and have the opportunity to discuss any issues around the subject that you would like support with.
- Please book via our website:
<https://sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk/events/>
- Please note, this session is not suitable for children.



This week, we had a message from the Poppy Appeal Manager to let us know that they do not have anyone in our area who can manage the school packs of poppies and snap bands, they are really sorry. We are sorry too, our children, staff and parents have supported this charity so well over the years, and we hope that the Royal British Legion will be able to find a volunteer for next year.



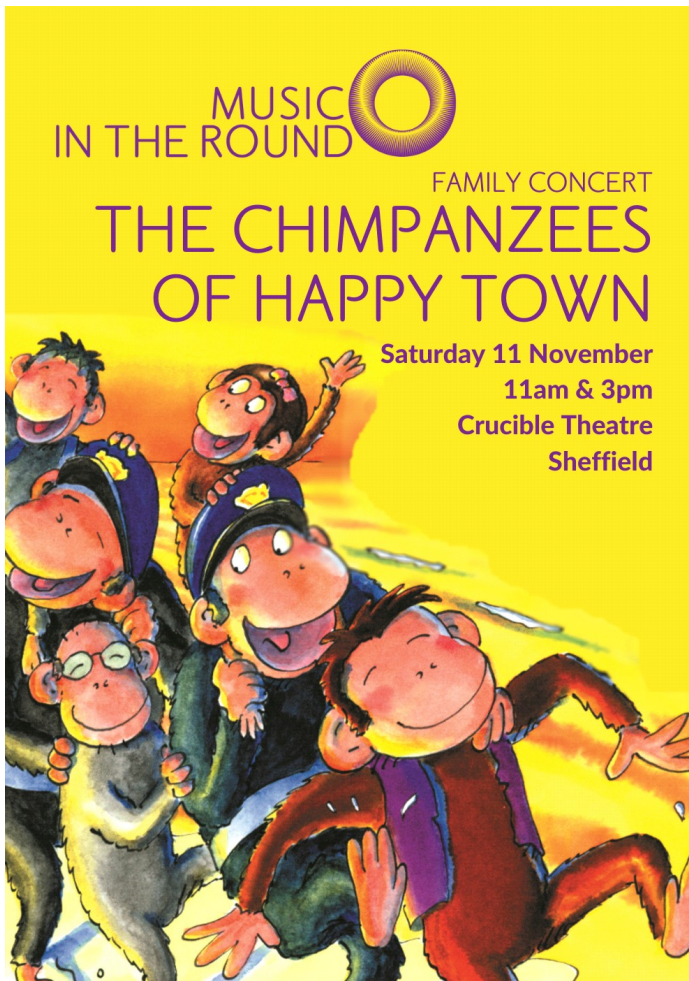
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MUSIC IN THE ROUND

PERFECT FOR
3-7
YEAR-OLDS

FAMILY CONCERT

Featuring Ensemble 360 & Lucy Drever
Saturday 11 November, 11.00am & 3.00pm
Crucible Theatre, Sheffield



Discover the story of Chutney the Chimpanzee who, with one small act of planting a seed, transforms the lives of the entire town of Drabsville, and teaches its inhabitants to celebrate their differences and make life more colourful along the way!

Following their brilliantly popular shows *Izzy Gizmo* and *Sir Scallywag* last year, Music in the Round returns to the Crucible Theatre with a family concert including narration, visuals from the book and lots of music.

This is a hugely entertaining first concert for 3 – 7 year-olds and their families.

Music by Paul Rissmann,
based on the best-selling picture book
by Giles Andreae and Guy Parker-Rees.



Tickets: £5 children / £14 adults*

*£8 PIP/UC/DLA

www.musicintheround.co.uk

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Music in the Round, 4th Floor, Sheffield Central Library,
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The SEND Team at St Catherine's

Dear Parents

As you may have seen on the Newsletter before the Summer holidays, we now have a team of teachers working to support the management of the high number of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities at our school.

Here's the SEND Team:



This is Mrs Emma Lear. Mrs Lear is the school's SENDCO – Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Co-ordinator. Mrs Lear has overall responsibility for managing how children with additional needs are supported, but specifically works with children with Education and Health Care Plans (EHCPs), our Social Communication 'Hub' children and children in Year 5 and Year 6.

ANY parent with a concern about their child's Special Educational Needs can contact Mrs Lear at lear@stcatherines.academy and she will be happy to help!

Mrs Lear also oversees:



Mrs Emma Porter. Mrs Porter is our Early Years Lead. Mrs Porter works with all of the children and staff in Nursery and Reception classes, so if your child is in one of these classes and has any additional needs, you can contact Mrs Porter at espton@stcatherines.academy and she will be happy to help! If your child is in one of these classes and has an EHCP or is in our Hub, then you will meet with and have contact with both Mrs Porter and Mrs Lear.



Miss Jodie Ng. Miss Ng is one of our Year 1 teachers and now has responsibility for children in Year 1 and Year 2 who have SEND. You can contact Miss Ng at jng@stcatherines.academy if you have any concerns about if your child has any additional needs. If your child is in Year 1 or Year 2 and has an EHCP or is in our Hub, then you will meet with and have contact with both Miss Ng and Mrs Lear.



Mrs Becky Puchalka. Mrs Puchalka is an experienced Middle Leader in school and now has responsibility for children in Year 3 and Year 4 who have SEND. You can contact Mrs Puchalka at bpuchalka@stcatherines.academy if you have any concerns about if your child has any additional needs. If your child is in Year 3 or Year 4 and has an EHCP or is in our Hub, then you will meet with and have contact with both Mrs Puchalka and Mrs Lear.

We are very proud of our work supporting children with SEND at St Catherine's – we are an inclusive school, with teachers and Teaching Assistants that work extremely hard to make sure that every child's needs are met to the best of our ability. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with any of the SEND Team if you have any questions or concerns – we are here to help!

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St Catherine's Autumn Book Club – you can order books until 19th November 2023!

Buy **books for home** at a reasonable cost and help build our school library at the same time!

1. Go to the St Catherine's Scholastic page
<https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/st-catherines-s4/digital-book-club>
2. Choose books to buy for home and add them to your basket.
3. Go to check out
4. Enter your email address
5. Choose deliver to school for free delivery. Enter our school post code to find our school option. S4 7BX
6. Click on St Catherine's RC Sch



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7. Click dispatch order to school
8. Enter your child's full name and class
9. Your books will be delivered to school and then to your child in their class!

When you shop for books like this with scholastic our school receives 20p for every £1 that you spend. This money goes towards new books for our school library! The money we raised from our first book club went towards buying these beautiful new books for our school library! Thank you!



For orders placed after 19th November you will need to choose the home delivery option.

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Reminder about Year 5 Mobile Planetarium



Friday 10th November



In school



No need to travel, they're coming to us!



6.90

Check this out:

<https://wonderdome.co.uk/about-us/>

'Stepping into a WonderDome mobile planetarium you're transported on a cosmic journey, a thrilling adventure exploring the wonders of the Universe. Our captivating shows are tailored to all ages, delivering curriculum-focused, presenter-led content which will ignite their curiosity & spark a desire to explore and learn more. From planet formation to the birth and death of stars, from launching rockets to stepping foot on other worlds, it's an unforgettable opportunity to bring the marvels of space right into your school. Inspire future space explorers and kickstart their lifelong love of space and science with WonderDome.'





Reminder about Year 2 Trip to Kelham Island



Tuesday 14th November 2023



Kelham Island Museum, Sheffield



Walking



12.70



Miss Huddleston and Miss Rodgers are so excited about this trip because we believe it will help us with our:

- * Knowledge and understanding of our history project
- * Understanding of the Sheffield Steel Industry

It's an experience of visiting a museum which used to be a real steel factory!

Reminder about Year 1 Trip to Emergency Services Museum



Thursday 23rd November



National Emergency Services Museum, Sheffield



Walking and Bus



8.35

Year 1 will be visiting the museum to enhance their project learning!

