





Issue 03 19th September 2025 St Catherine's Catholic Primary School, S4 7BX

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### **Mission Statement**

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### Workshops for parents of Nursery and Reception children

Mrs Porter would like to invite you to a series of workshops all about brain development, how young children learn, early maths, early reading and why we have an outdoor classroom.

Wednesday 17th September 9:00-10:15am

Wednesday 24th September 9:00-10:15am

Wednesday 1st October 9:00-10:15am

### Please attend all three as they're all different

Please arrange childcare for babies and young children as it is very hard to deliver these sessions with distractions.



Where: in the community centre next to the office

Time: 9:00am - 10:15am

When you arrive, please help yourself to refreshments, sign the register and take a seat.







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### What week is it for school dinners on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September?

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WEEK THREE	FAVOURITES MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY	ROAST WEDNESDAY	PIZZA PARTY THURSDAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal Option	Sweet & Sour Chicken Meatballs & Sunny Rice	Beef Lasagne & Garlic Bread	Roast Chicken with Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes	Margherita Pizza & Tomato Pasta Salad	MSC Fish Fingers & Chips
Vegetarian Meal Option	Sweet & Sour Veggie Meatballs & Sunny Rice <sup>vg</sup>	Vegetable Lasagne & Garlic Bread	Mediterranean Vegetable & Chickpea Stew & Roast Potatoes <sup>VG</sup>	Bean Burrito & Potato Wedges <sup>vg</sup>	Cheese & Onion Puff Pastry Roll
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 or Cheese or Beans
Sandwich	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese
Sandwich	Tuna Mayo	Tuna Mayo	Tuna Mayo	Tuna Mayo	Tuna Mayo
Vegetables	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Baked Beans	Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots	Broccoli, Carrots & Sweetcorn	British Red Tractor Garden Peas or Sliced Carrots	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Dessert	Strawberry Mousse & Fruit Slices	Chocolate Cookie & Orange Wedges <sup>vo</sup>	Vanilla Cupcake	Chocolate Crunch 'Concrete'  VG & Chocolate Sauce/Pink  Custard	Homemade Jam Sponge & Custard

Dates to Remember and Other Important Things!			
	New information is highlighted		
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September to Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	Year 6 "Bikeability"	Children in Year 6 will bring home consent forms, please make sure they are returned to school before Bikeability starts!	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	Nursery and Reception Parent Workshop	9:00 to 10:00, please enter by the school office. Mrs Porter will be delivering the second of a set of three workshops!	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	Year 3 "Roman Day"	Year 3 will be visited by a Roman soldier, who will bring along artefacts and deliver a workshop, please sign up on  ParentPay	







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Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	Guided Tour of EYFS (Nursery and Reception)	Guided tour for parents who are thinking about choosing St Catherine's for their child, please sign up on the school website!
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	Nursery and Reception Parent Workshop	9:00 to 10:00, please enter by the school office. Mrs Porter will be delivering the last of a set of three workshops!
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2025	Year 1 and Year 2 Parents Evening	Appointments will be available from 12:30 to 6:00pm, we will let you know when bookings open!
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Nursery and Reception Outdoor Stay and Learn	9:00 to 10:00, please gather on the yard. Mrs Porter and the EYFS teachers are excited that you will be joining them today OR on Friday – you choose!
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Flu Vaccination at school for children in Reception to Year 6	PLEASE look out for the sign up form, we will send it out as soon as the NHS send it to us!
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Parents Evening	Appointments will be available from 12:30 to 6:00pm, we will let you know when bookings open!
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Nursery and Reception Outdoor Stay and Learn	9:00 to 10:00, please gather on the yard. Mrs Porter and the EYFS teachers are excited that you will be joining them today – if you came on Tuesday, you do not need to come today – it's the same content!
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	St Clare Trust Mass	Twelve of our Year 6 children will be attending, look out for details nearer the time!







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Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Mass in Church	Everyone is very welcome to join us for Mass at 9:00 at St Catherine's Church on Melrose Road!	
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2025	Year 1 to Year 6 Parent Open Morning and Workshop	Parents are invited to join their children in the classroom, followed by a workshop led by Mrs Gillott. She will be telling you more about Catholic Life at St Catherine's!	
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2025	Year 4 Trip "Anglo Saxon Day"	Year 4 will be visiting Weston Park to take part in a workshop, please sign up on  ParentPay	

### Survey

Sheffield City Council has launched their Childcare Survey and they are asking for parents to complete it!

Here is the link the the website:

https://haveyoursay.sheffield.gov.uk/parents-carers-childcare-survey-2025/surveys/parents-carers-childcare-survey-2025

### Playtime - Snack

Just a reminder that children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 get a piece of fruit at morning playtime, there is no charge for this.

Children in Year 3 to Year 6 can bring in a snack from home, but it must be fruit!









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### Y3 Mini Vinnies Applications



During the week commencing the 8<sup>th</sup> September, Mrs Gillott delivered a short talk to both Y3 classes about the Mini Vinnies school Chaplaincy team. In class we spoke about what it means to be a Mini Vinnie and what the children can expect if they wanted to become one. All the children were given and application form so that they could have a think and apply if they felt it was something they would like to do.

We currently have <u>2 vacancies</u>. One in Y3MS and one in Y3JN. The Mini Vinnies in Y4-Y6 will hold their positions for this academic year.

- You do not have to be a Christian to be part of our Mini Vinnies group but you do need to be aware it is part of a Christian organisation called the St Vincent de Paul society.
- If children are interested they need to fill in the short Mini Vinnie's application form by Friday 26th September and return it to their class teacher.
- Mrs Gillott will let you know who has been successful ASAP.

More information about Mini Vinnies can be found here:

https://svp.org.uk/mini-vinnies







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### A Culture of Safeguarding at St Catherine's



Our online safety policy is due for update soon, and we will be reviewing all of the ways that we keep our children safe on the internet.

Online safety is not just about visiting websites; it includes the whole cyber world, which is an uncharted and bewildering space!

Please have a look at our online safety page on the school website:

### https://www.stcatherines.academy/online-safety-at-home

If you have news or tips that you would like to share with other parents, please send them in by email or through our website contact form – we'll be able to publish them on the newsletter so that online safety remains at the top of the agenda!







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### Thursday 23rd October

### Weston Park Museum Trip -Year 4

On Thursday 23rd October, Year 4 will be visiting Weston Park Museum for an Anglo-Saxon day. The sessions are led by curators of the museum and the children in the past have come away with lots of information and have thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Don't forget to sign up on parent pay!!!

















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### **Attendance and Punctuality**

The highest attendance in school this week was 99.7% Well done to the following class for the highest attendance this week:

### Y3MS

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

The best punctuality this week was Y1LF, Y3JN and Y6ED with zero late arrivals!

Well done to your children and their families!

Overall school attendance for last week was:

95.9%

Class	Teacher	Lates	% Attendance
F2AS	Mrs Atkinson and Miss Sweeney	2	95.2
F2WS	Mrs Wood and Mrs Stables	3	97.6
Y1AM	Miss Morris	1	92.7
Y1LF	Miss Franks	0	98.7
Y2DH	Mr Hawksworth	6	94.3
Y2NR	Miss Rodgers	7	96.7
NISA	Miss Ng	0	94.8
Y3MS	Miss Suleiman	3	99.7
Y4EB	Miss Brian	2	92.9
Y4IF	Miss Frost	7	92.4
Y5EH	Miss Huddleston	3	98.4
Y5OW	Miss Willis	7	95.3
Y6ED	Miss Drinkhill	0	97.9
Y6RR	Mrs Ralph	1	96.5







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	MERIT	WINNERS – well done to all of you!
VAAM	Giovanni	For doing his absolute best reading sounds and words in Read Write Inc, and always joining in!
Y1AM -	Christine	For always being kind to others, always helping to tidy up our classroom, and always sharing with her classmates!
Y1LF	Kendeal	For amazing Maths work, she has been a superstar!
1161	Coby	For a great week, he has been kind and shown lots of great sharing skills!
Y2DH	Aasher	For great artwork during Project work this week, and thoughtful reflection!
12011	Praise	For great artwork during Project work this week, and thoughtful reflection!
Y2NR	Willow	For being amazing learning partners. For listening to each other, helping each other and showing each other kindness and respect. A wonderful showcase of
IZIVIX	Ethan	following our mission statement that we have thought about in RE this week!
Y3JN	Kira	For a wonderful first draft in Literacy, the thought she put into the adjectives that she used to help to build a picture in the readers mind were beautiful!
TOJN	Abey	For a beautifully presented double page spread on life in Britain before the Romans, she blew away so many adults!
Y3MS	lhechi	For creating beautiful project work all about Celts on Thursday afternoon
1 JIVIO	Lucas	during History!
Y4EB	Eyob	For his amazing RE knowledge, and his wonderful participation in our first CHIMP session!
14LD	Mikias	For always being so helpful in class, and always having his hand up to share his thoughts and answers!
Y4IF	Isaac G	For both giving well thought responses during the Chimp project, they have
1416	Jennah	been clearly listening and thinking about themselves and others!
VEEL	Esme	For fabulous effort in her presentation of all work this week, being proud of what she has completed, and showing so much confidence in herself!
Y5EH	Adonay	For amazing focus and hard work with all his work this week, especially in his writing and presentation, he has been so proud of his work!
VEON	Isaac	For always reaching those expectations, even on the smallest scale, and for being a kind friend to all and making Miss Willis smile every day!
Y5OW	Nyah-Rae	For always being the first person with her hand up, wanting to contribute to the lessons, and for being incredibly enthusiastic about everything!\







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	MERIT	WINNERS – well done to all of you!
Y6ED	Bitania	For perseverance in Maths learning, securing her knowledge in reading numbers and being confident!
	Ebba	For making brilliant learning choices all week – choosing successful learning spaces, using support in the classroom, and sharing contributions in class!
Y6RR	Рорру	For amazing answers and predictions during Reciprocal Reading!
	Yusuf	For working really hard with rounding in Maths, and joining workshops when needed to support his learning!

### Wonders of the Week

### Mikias, Year 4

For making an amazing obstacle course early on in the week and inspiring others to do the same!



### Azaria, Esther, Muhammad-Zain, Year 4

For the building of a hotel with all the comforts of home including a shower!

### Zack, Year 5 and Levi, Year 4

For making a challenge on yard with the cones. Great idea!

### Yard Winners - Year 6

Prayer of the month for September  The Lord's Prayer
Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth,
as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
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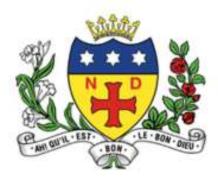


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### **Notre Dame High School**

### YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING

Thursday 2nd October 2025 5.30 pm – 7.30 pm

For Parents and Students of Year 6 entering Secondary School in September 2026







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PERFECT FOR 3-7
YEAR-OLDS

### FAMILY CONCERT: THE STORM WHALE

**ENSEMBLE 360 & LUCY DREVER** presenter

Saturday 11 October 10.30am - 11.30am & 1.30pm - 2.30pm Crucible Theatre, Sheffield



A brand-new storybook concert based on the modern classic book series by Benji Davies.

The Storm Whale tells the touching story of a child, and a whale washed up on the beach, exploring the themes of friendship and family that echo down the generations. These heart-warming tales of love and courage are brought to life through specially written music by our Children's Composer-in-Residence, Paul Rissmann.

Perfect for 3–7-year-olds, this is a fun introduction to a live concert experience, with images from the book presented together with memorable songs, captivating instrumental music, and plenty of chances to join in.

Tickets: £13 / £5 Under 16s / £7 DLA, PIP & UC

### Book at: www.musicintheround.co.uk 0114 249 6000









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# Pitsmoor Baby and Toddler Group

### Tuesdays term-time 9:30-11:00

St James' Church, Scott Road, S4 7BG







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If your child was born between

1st September 2021 and

31st August 2022, you need to apply
for their school place.

Save Time - Apply Online at www.sheffield.gov.uk/schools-childcare

Closing date for applying 15th January 2026

Pupil Admissions can be contacted on

0114 273 5766

It is your responsibility to apply for a school place. Missing the closing date will mean less chance of obtaining a place at your preferred school(s).









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## Free Parenting Clinics

with Anisa Lewis Positive Parenting



### September

22nd @ 12.00 pm

### **Boundaries that Build Connection**

Do you ever feel like setting boundaries just leads to more battles at home?

Boundaries don't have to mean shouting, slamming doors, or endless negotiations.

When done well, they actually build trust and connection between you and your child.

Join Anisa (Parenting Coach) for her monthly Free Parenting Clinic. This 30-minute talk will focus on practical ways to set clear boundaries that children respect, while strengthening the bond you share.

1 Join us on Zoom for this free 30-minute talk

Book here: https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic

hello@anisalewis.com for the booking link

Can't attend live? Register anyway and you'll receive the replay straight to your inbox.

### FREE Parenting Clinics



September 22nd, 12.00 pm

### **Boundaries**

October 20<sup>th</sup>, 12.00 pm

### **Emotions**

November 17th, 12.00 pm

### **Friendships**

December 8th, 12.00 pm

Parent Wellbeing

www.anisalewis.com

To book: https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic or email: hello@anisalewis.com







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### September Timetable FACE All sessions delivered live online via zoom, 90 minutes long £24 each or FREE with School Membership Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk) Understanding Addictive Behaviour 15 Sep 10am 15 Sep 7pm Supporting A Child With ADHD Improving Family Communication 16 Sep 10am Autism Improving Communication 16 Sep 7pm 22 Sep 10am **Facing Defiance** Anxiety Based School Avoidance 22 Sep 7pm Understanding Anger 23 Sep 10am Supporting Healthy Screen Use 23 Sep 7pm **FREE Facing Defiance** 25 Sep 7-8pm Introduction To OCD 29 Sep 10am What Is ACT? 29 Sep 7pm Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness 30 Sep 10am **Anxiety Explained** 30 Sep 7pm Understanding The Teenage Brain 6 Oct 10am

6 Oct 7pm

Supporting Healthy Sleep







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### LETELY FREE MEN'S B



### **EVERY MONDAY 06:00 - 07:00**



### Free of Charge

Never a charge to workout, event



### Open to all Men

No matter the man or fitness. level, you are welcome here.



Rain or shine. hot or cold, we are out there



### Held Outdoors Volunteer Led

Rotating group workput leaders, supporting each other.

ANY AGE (18+)

ANY BODY SIZE

ANY FITNESS LEVEL

Just wear suitable clothes and footwear. We will give you workout gloves and a post-workout coffeet



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# Conservation Volunteering Sessions at Parkwood Springs!

10am - 12:00pm

Meet Rangers Ryan and Katy at Shirecliffe Road carpark.

We look forward to seeing you there! Email
katy.knight@sheffield.gov.uk or
ryan.atkin@sheffield.gov.uk if you have any questions
about the sessions

**UPCOMING DATES:** 

15<sup>th</sup> September

29<sup>th</sup> September

13th October

27<sup>th</sup> November

10<sup>th</sup> December

Gentle walks - 'Explore with SOAR'
sessions will also be held on Mondays
at 11am. Contact

Helen.Taylor@soarcommunity.org.uk
You are welcome to try out both

sessions







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### AT FIRTH PARK ACADEMY

ACCESS VIA SPORTS ENTRANCE ON BELLHOUSE ROAD(S5 0RD)

### STARTING WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025

(NEW PLAYERS CAN JOIN AT ANYTIME DURING THE YEAR(PROVIDING PLACES ARE AVAILABLE)



Dear Parents,

I am delighted to inform you that following the success of previous year's courses we are expanding the football coaching programme for the season. The course will run on a weekly basis EVERY WEDNESDAY during school term times.

All of our courses are run by F.A. QUALIFIED COACHES INCLUDING EX-PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS. All of our coaches have been DBS/CRB POLICE CHECKED. The course is open to boys and girls aged between 4 and 13. All abilities are catered for with total beginners introduced through FUN and confidence building practices. The course is tightly structured to ensure all aspects of football skills are developed.

At the end of the term(usually 10-15 weeks) every child will receive an engraved merit trophy and course certificate, with chances to win extra trophies including penalty shoot out, american shoot out and champions league competitions.

The cost of the course is £7.50 per week, which is payable every four weeks (£30) with the first payment due on week one. Parents are welcome to stay and watch however the club is fully supervised so children may be left in our care. We have the use of excellent facilities with the course held indoors in the large sports hall.

### TO BOOK A PLACE ON TO THE COURSE PLEASE <u>TEXT</u> 'FIRTH PARK' + CHILD'S NAME & AGE + GROUP TO;

07846 770 250

Steven Nugent (Course Co-ordinator)





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186<sup>th</sup> Sheffield Girl Guiding Unit

At Abbeyfield Primary Academy (Burrow)

Orphanage Road S3 9AN

Every Wednesday (Term Time) weekly fee/subs



for girls aged 4 to 7 Wednesday 5-6pm



for girls aged 7 to 10 Wednesday 6-7.15pm



for girls aged 10 to 14 Wednesday 7.15-8.45pm

Join the fun and join Girl Guiding today!

Crafting, baking, sewing, exploring, singing, dancing, playing, camps, trips all while earning badges!





To find out more details and to register visit

www.girlguiding.org.uk









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The 205<sup>th</sup> Sheffield (St Catherines) Scout Group have been providing fun, friendship and adventure activities in this area for over 80 years and have places available for young people aged 8-14.



**Emergency Aid** 



Collector



**Air Activities** 



Cyclist



**Hobbies** 



**Navigation** 



Scientist



Space

205th Sheffield (St Catherines) Scout Group
The Scout Hut, Holtwood Road, Sheffield S4 7BA
Meetings Held on Wednesdays @ 6.30pm (term-time)
email: scoutgroup205stcatherines@yahoo.co.uk