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Parent Open Morning - Wednesday 22nd October

Year 1 to Year 6

8:50-9:20am: Come and experience a Celebration of the Word session in your child's classroom.



9:30-10am: Workshop about play in the CCC with Mrs Porter & Mr Lear.



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What week is it for school dinners on Monday 20th October?

We have a new menu after half term, we've posted it on the website!

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WEEK ONE	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 with Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes	Wholemeal Margherita Pizza & Pasta Salad 	MSC Fish Fingers & Chips
Vegetarian Meal Option	Veggie Sausage Toad in the Hole & Home-baked Potato Wedges 	Macaroni Cheese	Quorn Grill with Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes 	Rainbow Vegetable Lentil Pitta Pockets & Hummus ^{VG} 	Cheese Flan, Chips & Ketchup
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 
Sandwich	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese
Sandwich	Tuna Mayo	Tuna Mayo	Tuna Mayo	Tuna Mayo	Tuna Mayo
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 
Dessert	Banana Mousse & Orange Smiles 	Marble Sponge ^{VG} & Custard/Chocolate Sauce	Strawberry Jelly with Watermelon Slice ^{VG} 	Vanilla Cookie ^{VG}	Iced Sponge Cake

The Friends of Parkwood Springs proudly presents

Under The Sea!

Community Lantern Procession

Saturday 18th October
Procession at 5.45pm

Meet on the field by Pit Stop Cafe, behind Shirecliffe Road car park S5 8XA from 4.30pm



Sheffield City Council logo and St Catherine's Catholic Primary School logo are at the bottom.

Staff News

Mrs Porter is going to have another baby, we are so delighted for her!



Miss Andrew is getting married in the half term holidays, we hope the sun shines on the day, and we are sending her and her fiancé lots of love and best wishes for the future!



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New information is highlighted

Sunday 19th 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!
Monday 20th October 2025	CLOSING DATE FOR MERIT BADGE COMPETITION	Please hand in your entry to the school office!
Wednesday 22nd October 2025	Year 1 to Year 6 Parent Open Morning and Workshop from 8:50am	Parents are invited to join their children in the classroom to experience a Celebration of the Word, followed by a workshop led by Mrs Porter and Mr Lear on PLAY!
Thursday 23rd 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 
Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October 2025	HALF TERM HOLIDAY – SCHOOL IS CLOSED	
Tuesday 4th November 2025	Reception Parent Workshop Read Write Inc Phonics	2:30 to 3:15pm, please enter through the main entrance by the office. Mrs Porter will deliver this workshop for ADULTS ONLY!  No children
Wednesday 5th November 2025	Year 4 to Year 6 Parent Workshop Mobile Phones and Devices	9:00 to 10:00am, please enter through the main entrance by the office. Mrs Redfern, Mrs Ralph and Miss Drinkhill will be talking about use of phones by our children, please come if you can, it really will be helpful!
Thursday 6th November 2025	Year 1 Trip Parkwood Springs	This is a local walk, and so you do not need to complete ParentPay. Children will need sturdy footwear, and a coat.
Thursday 6th November 2025	 Cricket	Ace Cricket will be joining us for Year 5 PE and after school club!



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Friday 7th November 2025		3:00 to 4:00pm, enter by the main entrance at the school office! Card payments only please.
Tuesday 11th November 2025	F2AS Trip Local Walk	Children will visit Roe Woods to find signs of Autumn!
Wednesday 12th November 2025	F2WS Trip Local Walk	Children will visit Roe Woods to find signs of Autumn!
Wednesday 12th November 2025	Year 3 to Year 6 Parent Workshop Why is Play so Important?	9:00 to 10:00am, please enter through the main entrance by the office. Mrs Porter will be explaining why we have loose parts in the playground to fire the children's imagination!
Wednesday 12th November 2025	Year 6 Height and Weight with the School Nursing Service	School Nursing will be in school to collect data on height and weight of our Year 6 children.
Thursday 13th November 2025		3:00 to 4:00pm, enter by the main entrance at the school office! Card payments only please.
Friday 14th November 2025		8:30 to 9:30am, enter by the main entrance at the school office! Card payments only please.
Thursday 18th December 2025	Reception classes Local Walk	Children will be walking to the post box, to post their letters to Father Christmas!
Thursday 20th November 2025	Year 1 Trip Emergency Services Museum	Year 1 will be visiting the Emergency Services Museum to take part in a workshop. Please look out for this trip on 
Wednesday 19th November 2025		All children will have an individual photo taken, they will bring home the details of how you can make a purchase.
Monday 24th November 2025	Mass at Church (to be confirmed)	



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Tuesday 25th November 2025	Advent Assembly Y6RR "Hope"	Parents and family members are welcome to join us, the assembly starts at 9:15am in the school hall (not CCC), sorry but we are not able to admit latecomers as this will distract the children. Please enter through the staff car park to the KS2 building (near Y4 gate).
Wednesday 26th November 2025	Year 1 and Year 2 Parent Workshop Maths	9:00 to 10:00am, please enter through the main entrance by the office. Miss Drinkhill will be explaining more about the Maths curriculum, and how to support your child!
Thursday 27th November 2025	Year 6 Trip National Holocaust Centre	Year 6 will be visiting the National Holocaust Centre to take part in a workshop. Please look out for this trip on 
Friday 28th November 2025	Year 2 Trip Kelham Island	Year 2 will be visiting Kelham Island to take part in a workshop. Please look out for this trip on 
Monday 1st December 2025	Mass in School	
Tuesday 2nd December 2025	Advent Assembly Y4IF "Peace"	Parents and family members are welcome to join us, the assembly starts at 9:15am in the school hall (not CCC), sorry but we are not able to admit latecomers as this will distract the children. Please enter through the staff car park to the KS2 building (near Y4 gate).
Thursday 4th December 2025	Year 4 Science of Sound Workshop	Year 4 will be taking part in a workshop in school. Please look out for this event on 
Tuesday 9th December 2025	Advent Assembly Y6ED "Joy"	Parents and family members are welcome to join us, the assembly starts at 9:15am in the school hall (not CCC), sorry but we are not able to admit latecomers as this will distract the children. Please enter through the staff car park to the KS2 building (near Y4 gate).



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Wednesday 10th December 2025	Year 3 to Year 6 Parent Workshop Maths	9:00 to 10:00am, please enter through the main entrance by the office. Miss Drinkhill will be explaining more about the Maths curriculum, and how to support your child!
Tuesday 16th November 2025	Advent Assembly Y4EB "Love"	Parents and family members are welcome to join us, the assembly starts at 9:15am in the school hall (not CCC), sorry but we are not able to admit latecomers as this will distract the children. Please enter through the staff car park to the KS2 building (near Y4 gate).
Wednesday 17th December 2025	Reception to Year 6 Parent Coffee Morning Parent Voice	
Thursday 18th December 2025	Year 1 to Year 6 Christmas Disco	Save the date!
Friday 19th December 2025	Christmas Raffle	Save the date!
Monday 22nd December 2025 to Friday 2nd January	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – SCHOOL IS CLOSED	

Prayer of the Month

To align with October being the month of the Holy Rosary, our prayer of the month is the Hail Mary.
Children in KS1 and KS2 are expected to know this prayer.

The Hail Mary

Hail, Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen



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St Clare's Trust Mass 2025

On Friday 17th October, twelve of our Year 6 children visited St Marie's Catholic Cathedral in Sheffield to take part in the St Clare Trust Mass with Bishop Ralph Heskett and many other schools from our Multi Academy Trust. They participated in the mass beautifully, and some sang in the Trust Mass Choir. They were a total credit to our school. Thank you and well done all ♥





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A Culture of Safeguarding at St Catherine's **PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL**

If you see dangerous or inconsiderate parking:

Take a photo, including the registration number of the vehicle



Go online

<https://www.southyorkshire.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/rs/road-safety/making-a-road-traffic-incident-report/>

Report it to the Police, giving the following postcode

S4 7BX

If our postcode is flagged as a Traffic Hotspot, we are likely to get more support to help us to challenge dangerous or inconsiderate parking.



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Attendance and Punctuality

The highest attendance in school this week was 98.6%
Well done to the following class for the highest attendance:

Y4IF

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

The best punctuality this week was Y6ED with zero lates!

Well done to your children and their families!

Overall school attendance for last week was:

95.6%

Class	Teacher	Lates	% Attendance
F2AS	Mrs Atkinson and Miss Sweeney	7	97.0
F2WS	Mrs Wood and Mrs Stables	6	98.3
Y1AM	Miss Morris	4	95.7
Y1LF	Miss Franks	4	98.0
Y2DH	Mr Hawksworth	2	94.0
Y2NR	Miss Rodgers	10	98.0
Y3JN	Miss Ng	1	95.8
Y3MS	Miss Suleiman	7	96.2
Y4EB	Miss Brian	4	94.1
Y4IF	Miss Frost	5	98.6
Y5EH	Miss Huddleston	4	94.1
Y5OW	Miss Willis	9	92.4
Y6ED	Miss Drinkhill	0	91.4
Y6RR	Mrs Ralph	6	94.8



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MERIT WINNERS – well done to all of you!

Y1AM	Ariana	For really trying hard to make good choices, she has had an amazing week and had lots of special praise!
	Chiemerie	For always joining in during Maths, working hard practicing his doubles and even practicing them during choosing time!
Y1LF	Toby	For being a kind and helpful friend, always!
	Coby	For working so hard and being amazing in Read Write Inc!
Y2DH	Eyosyas	For creating a detailed Little Mesters workshop in Project!
	Sofia	For impressing Mr Hawksworth with the speed of making numbers using base 10!
Y2NR	Joseph	For ALWAYS showing he is ready to learn; being polite, kind, patient and fabulous – and for being our TT-Rockstar champion!
	Ierin	For settling into our class amazingly well, showing bravery and growing in confidence already!
Y3JN	Alazar	For really thinking about the choices he is making in the classroom in order to stay focussed on his learning!
	Eyob	For responding well to adult support, using strategies to help him regulate, resulting in some brilliant choices and brilliant work being produced!
Y3MS	Meilat	For being a really supportive learning partner, always wanting to help others but also making sure she's ready to learn as well!
	Johan	For coming up with an amazing detailed explanation about why we measure objects in different ways, it showed that he was extending his learning!
Y4EB	Amen	For teaching other children how to make a paper boat, he was so patient and thorough with his instructions!
	Zahra	For always being so positive in class, her hand is up a lot more already, and she is always giving everything a good go!
Y4IF	Zoya	For really impressing Miss Shadli during Literacy and Maths, working extra hard and trying challenges. Very impressed with her attitude to learning!
	Esther	For always actively helping around the classroom, she is always positive and smiley. She is always paying attention and is on top of every task!
Y5EH	Dayna	For being resilient and hard working in Maths this week, being confident and working independently!
	Balkisu	For growing in confidence LOADS since the start of Year 5, contributing to lessons, being engaged and enthusiastic!
Y5OW	Mikyle	For consistently challenging himself and reaching those whole classroom expectations!
	Danat	For being a friend to all, and independently accessing support in the classroom!



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Y6ED	Sana	For a fantastic attitude towards Maths, challenging herself and working methodically to ensure she gets the answer correct!
	Isaiah	For bringing such a wonderful energy into Y6ED, and for always showing a positive attitude to school!
Y6RR	Freya	For putting her hand up more and more in Maths, and for fantastic presentation in all of her work!
	Yosan	For putting so much effort into all her work, and for always making the right choices in the classroom!

Wonders of the Week



Johan, Cal, Jonathan, Adon and Kevin, Year 6
For having a great game in the stilts on the yard!

Yard Winners – Year 6



Week 29 in Ordinary Time

Year C

Gift of the Holy Spirit

Piety

First Reading:
Exodus 17:8-13
Gospel Reading:
Luke 18:1-8

Suggestions:
Hebrew Bible:
Micah 6:6-8
New Testament:
Matthew 6:5-6

Theme
Piety is about living a life of devotion to God. It's about nurturing our relationship with him through prayer, worship, and study of scripture. It's about recognising his presence in our lives and responding with gratitude and love. Piety isn't just about outward actions; it's about an inner disposition, a heart turned towards God. When we live with piety, we allow God's love to transform us and make us more like him.

Mission
Try and visit a Church or sacred space this week and spend some time with God.

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How to Pray the Rosary

The Rosary is a Catholic prayer based upon the Bible that focuses on the events in the life of Jesus and that of Mary the Mother of Jesus. Saint John Ogilvie threw his rosary beads into the crowd before he was martyred.

Glory Be

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Sign of the Cross and the Apostles' Creed

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

Glory Be

Hail Mary (ten times)

Our Father

The Our Father is said at the start of each decade and each decade is finished with the Glory Be.

Hail Mary (three times)

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Our Father

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. Amen.





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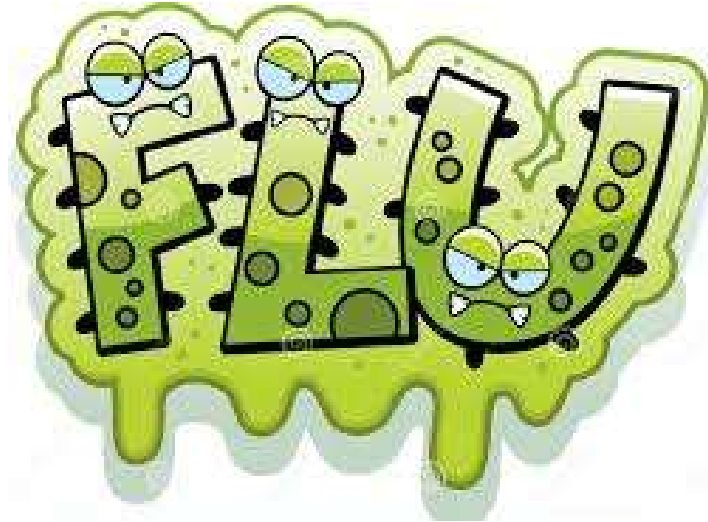
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If your child missed their flu vaccination, you can attend one of the community clinics:

25/Oct/2025	09:30/12:30	5	Concord Sports Centre S5 6AE
27/Oct/2025	09:30/15:00	5	Gleadless Scout S12 2LG
28/Oct/2025	09:30/15:00	5	Totley Methodist Church S17 4DJ
29/Oct/2025	09:30/15:30	5	St James Church: Norton S8 8JQ
30/Oct/2025	09:30/15:00	5	Leisure United Woodbourn Road S9 3HL
31/Oct/2025	09:30/15:00	5	The Burton Street Foundation S6 2HH
11/Nov/2025	16:00/18:00	5	All Saint Church Ecclesall S11 7PP
29/Nov/2025	09:30/12:30	5	Concord Sports Centre S5 6AE
09/Dec/2025	16:00/18:00	5	Hackenthorpe Community Centre S12 4JB
20/Dec/2025	09:30/12:30	5	Concord Sports Centre S5 6AE

Plus, every Thursday, Fire Vale Community Hub, S4 8GU 15:30-17:15

For more dates and info, please visit the website:

<https://www.sheffieldchildrens.nhs.uk/services/school-nursing/school-age-immunisation-service/>



To find out more about flu, please visit the NHS website:

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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:

15th September

29th September

13th October

27th October

10th November

24th November

8th December

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Gentle walks - 'Explore with SOAR' sessions will also be held on Mondays at 11am. Contact Helen.Taylor@soarcommunity.org.uk



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