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What week is it for school dinners on Monday 17th November?

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WEEK TWO	FAVOURITES MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY	ROAST WEDNESDAY	PIZZA PARTY THURSDAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal Option	Pork Sausage & Mash with Gravy	Red Tractor Beef Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread	Roast Chicken with Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes	Wholemeal Margherita Pizza & Home-baked Potato Wedges	M Battered Pollock & Chips
Vegetarian Meal Option	Veggie Sausage & Mash with Gravy ^{VG}	Macaroni Cheese & Garlic Bread	Quorn Grill, Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Chilli & Sunny Vegetable Rice ^{VG}	Cheese Flan & Chips
Vegetables	Broccoli, Sweetcorn or Baked Beans	Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots	Seasonal Greens & Carrots	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, or Sliced Carrots	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Sandwiches	Cheese	Tuna Mayo	Cheese	Tuna Mayo	Cheese
Wraps	Tuna Mayo Wrap	Cheese Wrap	Tuna Mayo Wrap	Cheese Wrap	Tuna Mayo Wrap
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
Dessert	Shortbread Pin Wheels & Fruit Slices ^{VG}	Chocolate Fudge Cake	Apple Crumble ^{VG} & Custard	Flapjack ^{VG}	Chocolate Mousse

Dates to Remember and Other Important Things!

New information is highlighted

Monday 17 th November 2025	Nursery Stay and Learn Book Focus	Parents are welcome to join their child in Nursery for a story at 8:45am!
Wednesday 19 th November 2025	Parent Workshop CHIMP "Dealing with Disobedience"	This workshop is from 2:00pm to 3:15pm, and will help you with managing children's behaviours. Please enter by the school office entrance.
Wednesday 19 th November 2025	F2WS and F2AS Stay and Learn Story	Parents are welcome to join their child in class for a story at 2:45pm
Wednesday 19 th November 2025		All children will have an individual photo taken, they will bring home the details of how you can make a purchase.
Thursday 20 th 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

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Thursday 20 th November 2025	Year 3 to Year 6 Cricket	Cricket will be at After School Club today, please sign up on 
Monday 24 th November 2025	Mass at Church 	Year 3 to Year 6 children will be walking to St Catherine's Church for Mass to celebrate the Feast Day of St Catherine of Alexandria, the patron of our school. Mass starts at 10:00am, parents are welcome to meet us at Church to celebrate with us!
Tuesday 25 th 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 26 th 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 27 th 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 28 th 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 1 st December 2025	Mass in School	
Tuesday 2 nd December 2025	Nursery Sheffield Family Hub Play Session	Parents are welcome to join us for a play session from 8:30 to 9:30am!

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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).
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!
Wednesday 10th December 2025	F2AS Nativity	2:30pm in CCC
Monday 15th December 2025	Parent Workshop CHIMP "Planning Ahead – looking after yourself"	This workshop is from 2:00pm to 3:15pm, and will help you with remaining calm for your child. Please enter by the school office entrance.
Tuesday 16th December 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	
Wednesday 17th December 2025	Christmas Dinner!	
Wednesday 17th December 2025	F2WS Nativity	2:30 CCC
Thursday 18th December 2025	Reception classes Local Walk	Children will be walking to the post box, to post their letters to Father Christmas!

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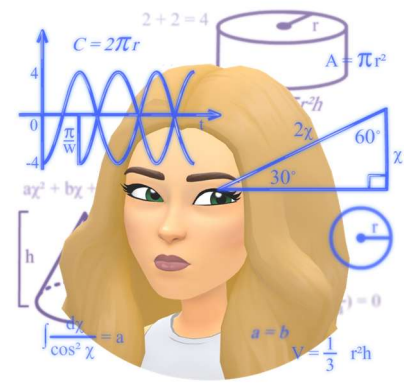
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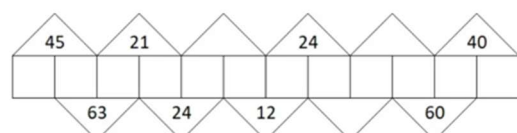
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Thursday 18 th December 2025	Year 2 Nativity 	Parents and family members are welcome to join us, the Nativity starts at 9:00am in the school hall (not CCC), sorry but we are not able to admit latecomers as this will distract the children. Please enter through the staff car park to the KS2 building (near Y4 gate).
Thursday 18 th December 2025	Year 1 to Year 6 Christmas Disco 	Non-uniform day for Year 1 to Year 6. The disco starts straight after school and children need to be collected from their classroom door at 4:45pm. Children can wear their Christmas jumper if they have one, or party clothes – please make sure their shoes are suitable for the school day though! 10% of the takings will be donated to the Save the Children Christmas Jumper appeal. Please sign up on 
Friday 19 th December 2025	Christmas Raffle	Save the date!
Monday 22 nd December 2025 to Friday 2 nd January	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY – SCHOOL IS CLOSED	



Miss Drinkhill is thinking ...

Write a different number from 1 to 12 in each of the boxes below so that the numbers in each triangle are a product of the adjacent boxes. Then find the missing products.



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A Culture of Safeguarding at St Catherine's

Wet Feet and Dry Socks



In school, we keep spare pants and spare socks in case a child has an accident.
We buy these from the shop, they are pretty basic, they are not preloved.
We don't expect them to be sent back to school.

To buy these supplies, we use money that is raised from school discos and book sales.

This week, we have run out of age 3-6 socks, which is unusual ...

After investigating, we've found out that spare socks have been given to lots of children who (for example) got their feet wet when changing into their wellies or outdoor shoes.

That's fine, we don't want children to be wearing wet socks all day, they'd be so uncomfortable!

(Some parents send some spare socks in their child's bag, and that is helpful.)

This weekend, we're going shopping to buy more age 3-6 socks.

From next week, if a child has wet socks, we can give them dry ones from our supply of spares BUT **we'll keep their wet ones!**

We'll wash the wet ones and keep them in school,
and then we'll never run out of spare socks!



If you send spare socks in your child's bag, we will always try to check first – then we will send their wet socks home in their bag.

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CHARITY COLLECTION DAY



To celebrate our Charity Collection Day today,
children in school and nursery wore non-uniform!

This is what we collected:

Sheffield Children's Hospital Charity
to support the National Centre for Child Health Technology
Paid on ParentPay: £39.00
Paid on ParentPay and shared between the three: £14.34
Paid in cash and shared between the three: £22.34

TOTAL: £75.68

CAFOD
to support those who face the injustice of poverty, conflict and the climate crisis
Paid on ParentPay: £11.00
Paid on ParentPay and shared between the three: £14.33
Paid in cash and shared between the three: £22.33

TOTAL: £47.66

BBC Children in Need
to make life lighter for children
Paid on ParentPay: £32.00
Paid on ParentPay and shared between the three: £14.33
Paid in cash and shared between the three: £22.33

TOTAL: £68.66

Thank you so much to everyone for your generosity,
the money has been sent today to the charities!

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Attendance and Punctuality

The highest attendance in school this week was 99.3%
Well done to the following class for the highest attendance:

Y3MS

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

The best punctuality this week was

Y6ED (for the second week running!) and Y3JN

Well done to your children and their families!

Overall school attendance for last week was:

94.0%

Class	Teacher	Lates	% Attendance
F2AS	Mrs Atkinson and Miss Sweeney	11	87.3
F2WS	Mrs Wood and Mrs Stables	6	77.7
Y1AM	Miss Morris	4	91.3
Y1LF	Miss Franks	7	97.0
Y2DH	Mr Hawksworth	10	88.3
Y2NR	Miss Rodgers	2	94.3
Y3JN	Miss Ng	1	97.7
Y3MS	Miss Suleiman	4	99.3
Y4EB	Miss Brian	6	95.3
Y4IF	Miss Frost	7	98.6
Y5EH	Miss Huddleston	4	96.3
Y5OW	Miss Willis	9	98.7
Y6ED	Miss Drinkhill	1	96.6
Y6RR	Mrs Ralph	4	97.4



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MERIT WINNERS – well done to all of you!

Y1AM	Noel	For always making the right choices and doing the right thing first time every time. Also for kindness to everyone in our class!
	Hannah A	For impressing Miss Morris with her writing, she is always concentrating and trying her hardest, which shows in the progress she has made!
Y1LF	Murael	For working together to make an amazing marble run in Year 1 outdoor area, they had lots of fun and it was lovely to see!
	Joshua M	
Y2DH	Serah	For great perseverance in Maths this week!
	Joseph	For being extremely sensible at lunchtimes and in the classroom this week!
Y2NR	Milania	For great work in Reciprocal Reading – thinking carefully about what she has read, making super predictions, and reflecting on these as we read more!
	Ali	For being a fabulous role model in our classroom, and for impressive reasoning in Maths – thinking carefully about his known facts to help solve problems!
Y3JN	Emaan	For always showing she is ready to learn, and following instructions the first time. Also for being a fabulous Healthy Minds Champion for the class!
	Eliana	For a brilliant explanation of our school mission statement on how we can be humble in our actions, and for demonstrating this in her daily actions!
Y3MS	Mary	For settling in really well, she has become a really good role model and friend to the children!
	Alexandra	For impressing Miss Suleiman with how much her confidence has grown in Maths, she is pushing herself to do more challenges!
Y4EB		So sorry there was no Merit this week, there will be double next week!
Y4IF	Noah	For a lovely piece of homework about our recent trip to the museum, an interactive poster!
	Bemenet	For a positive change to attitude when learning, and really working hard to concentrate!
Y5EH	Lodou	For fantastic knowledge of scripture in RE, knowing details of Bible stories, linking it to other scripture and being able to consider how the messages can be used in our own lives!
	Sofia	For working really hard this week and being determined to do her best. For beautiful presentation in her Project book, showing pride and care in her work!
Y5OW	Henok	For being so kind and helpful in Cricket to his peers, and for being such a joy to have in the classroom and settling so well!
	Oliver	For being super helpful and supportive to his friends, and really pushing himself to get onto challenges!



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Y6ED	Deborah	For always sharing wonderful ideas, for working hard in class, and for being a kind friend!
	Aisha	For showing so much enthusiasm towards our Advent assembly dance practice, and for being a joy in the classroom!
Y6RR	Elif	For creating a beautiful poem about Remembrance Day!
	Elvis	For putting lots of effort into his work, especially in Maths this week!



Wonders of the Week



Year 3 – Alfie, Eyob, Alazar, Hamza
For playing good games on the MUGA!

Year 3 – Benjamin
For playing well on the yard and checking on his friends!

Year 4 – Isaac B
For his honesty when things go wrong!

Year 4 – Heaven
For seeking help when he needed it at lunchtime!

Yard Winners: Year 4



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Prayer of the Month - November

Glory be to the Father

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



November the Month of Remembrance

November is the month of remembrance where we remember those who have passed away. In school we will be having a service of remembrance in KS2, and our prayer space in KS2 will also change to a remembrance theme to reflect this.

This year the theme is 'The Empty Chair.' An empty chair will be placed in the KS2 prayer space and the children will have the opportunity to tie a purple ribbon to it to in remembrance of someone who has died if they wish to do so. In addition to this, there will also be an Empty Chair prayer space at the entrance of school in front of the office along with a book of remembrance. Please feel free to tie a purple ribbon to the empty chair in remembrance of a loved one and/or write their name in the book of remembrance. The book of remembrance and the empty chair will then be used in our remembrance service as a way of remembering all our loved ones that have passed away.

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Mini Vinnies Reverse Advent Calendar 2025



This year during the season of advent the Mini Vinnies chaplaincy team have decided that they would like to run a reverse advent calendar again. Instead of receiving things during the season of advent we would kindly request that our school community bring in items that we can then in turn donate to Burngreave food bank. Burngreave foodbank do fabulous work to help local people in our area. A link to their website can be found here:

<https://burngreave.foodbank.org.uk/>

We would be extremely grateful if you could bring in any of the items in the list below. You do not need to bring in something every day. Just one item would be an amazing help. Your child can place the item around the prayer area in their class.

We also understand that it is a time of financial worry for us all, so if you feel it more appropriate, you may prefer to make a festive bookmark, Christmas craft item or a card for your collection box instead of buying something.

We will start receiving donations into classrooms from Monday 1st December

Yes
Tinned beans
Tinned fruit
Tinned Veg
Tinned tomatoes
Tinned soup
Rice
Cereal
Biscuits
Tinned fish
Cartons of fruit juice
UHT long life milk
Instant mash
Pasta sauce
Cooking oil
Shower gel
Shampoo
Deodorant
Nappies size 5&6
Small jar of instant coffee



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Pitsmoor

MIDWINTER WINDOWS

Advent window trail

1st - 24th December

Would you like to create a window for display for the annual advent window trail in Pitsmoor?

Each night, a new decorated window will be on display, creating a giant living advent calendar in the local area.

If you live locally to St Catherine's, and would like to take part, please scan the QR code or visit the website below to complete the short sign up form.

<https://www.tinyurl.com/midwinterwindowssignup>





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FREE PARENTING CLINIC



HELPING KIDS TO NAVIGATE FRIENDSHIPS

Friendships can be tricky terrain for children and young people; one moment they're connected and confident, the next there's tension, tears, or that feeling of being left out.

Join Anisa Lewis, Parenting Coach, for a practical and honest conversation about what makes friendships thrive, why they sometimes falter, and how we can guide our children to build strong, healthy connections that last.

Expect simple strategies, lightbulb moments, and a sense of reassurance that you're not alone in navigating this part of family life.

**Monday 17th November
at 12.00pm**

Online via Zoom

The session will be recorded and shared with all who register.

IS YOUR CHILD:

- Struggling to make or keep friends
- Finding it hard to handle friendship ups and downs
- Feeling the pressure to fit in
- Or you simply want to understand how to support them better

Then this free 30-minute online clinic is for you.

Booking:

<https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic>
OR hello@anisalewis.com



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INCLUSIVE TRAIL CYCLING AT PARKWOOD SPRINGS

Cycling in nature on e-assist trikes for Disabled people and those with long-term health conditions.

Monday & Tuesday

10.30 - 12.30pm / 1.30pm - 3.30pm

To book or for more information , contact Tom
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