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What week is it for school dinners on Monday 27th April?

Parent Information | School Meals

Please see the Packed Lunch Policy on the school website

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WEEK THREE	FAVOURITES MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY	ROAST WEDNESDAY	PLANET PIZZA THURSDAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal Option	Burger with Potato Wedges 	Mild Chicken Curry with Yellow Rice 	Roast Chicken with Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes 	Margherita Pizza with Pasta Salad 	Fish Fingers & Chips 
Vegetarian Meal Option	Vegetable Burger with Potato Wedges 	Macaroni Cheese with Vegetables or Salad 	Quorn Grill, Gravy, Yorkshire Pudding & Roast Potatoes 	Pasta Twists in a Tomato & Basil Sauce 	Vegetable Fingers & Chips ^{VG} 
Vegetables	Sweetcorn & Baked Beans 	Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots 	Seasonal Greens, Carrots & Salad 	Broccoli, Sweetcorn & Coleslaw 	Garden Peas & Baked Beans 
Sandwiches	Cheese 	Tuna Mayo 	Cheese 	Tuna Mayo 	Cheese 
Wraps	Tuna Mayo Wrap	Cheese Wrap	Tuna Mayo Wrap	Cheese Wrap	Chip Butty
Baked Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Beans ^{VG} Tuna Mayo or Cheese 	Jacket Potato with Beans ^{VG} Tuna Mayo or Cheese 	Jacket Potato with Beans ^{VG} Tuna Mayo or Cheese 	Jacket Potato with Beans ^{VG} Tuna Mayo or Cheese 	Jacket Potato with Beans ^{VG} Tuna Mayo or Cheese 
Dessert	Chocolate Cookie ^{VG} 	Pineapple Upside Down Cake & Custard 	Strawberry Jelly ^{VG} 	Chocolate & Apple Cake 	Iced Sponge Cake 

Prayer of the Month - April Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

Thanks be to you, my Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits which you have given me,
for all the pains and insults which you have borne
for me.

O most merciful Redeemer, friend and brother,
may I know you more clearly,
love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly,
day by day.

Amen.



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The Season of Easter

We are now in the joyful season of Easter, the most important time in the Catholic Church year.

Easter celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus, when we believe that Jesus rose from the dead on Easter Sunday, showing that love is stronger than sin and that life is stronger than death.

Unlike Easter Sunday, which is just one day, the Easter season lasts for fifty days, ending with the Feast of Pentecost. During this time, the Church encourages us to live as "Easter people", sharing joy, hope and kindness with others. The white and gold colours used in our classrooms and prayer spaces remind us of light, new life and celebration. We also joyfully sing "Alleluia" again during the mass and pray thank you prayers, praising God for the gift of new life.

Easter is important because it is at the heart of our faith. It reminds us that God is always with us, even in difficult times, and that hope and new beginnings are always possible.

Simple Ways to Mark Easter at Home

You may like to mark the Easter season together as a family through simple activities such as:

- Saying a short Easter prayer together at bedtime or before meals
- Lighting a candle and talking about Jesus or God as the Light of the World
- Growing seeds or plants, linking new life to the Resurrection
- Reading or retelling the Easter story in child-friendly words
- Doing an act of kindness each week as a way of sharing Easter joy

Thank you for continuing to support your children as they grow in faith during this special season.



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Dates to Remember and Other Important Things!

New information is highlighted

Monday 27th April 2026	Mass in School	9:15am, family members are welcome to join us, please enter by the school office!
Tuesday 28th April 2026	Notre Dame Roadshow at St Catherine's for Year 6	This is for pupils and their parents, if they have a Year 7 place at Notre Dame. The roadshow starts at 5:30pm
Thursday 30th April 2026	Parents Evening for Year 3, Year 4, Year 5	Please sign up for an appointment using the SchoolCloud app! https://stcatherinesacademy.schoolcloud.co.uk/
Friday 1st May 2026	Year 3 Trip Yorkshire Sculpture Park	Please sign up on ParentPay
Monday 4th May 2026	School is closed for Bank Holiday	
Wednesday 6th May 2026	Parents meeting for September starters to Nursery and Reception	Invitations will be sent!
Friday 8th May 2026	Reception classes STAY AND LEARN	Come and see our Drawing Club learning, and stay to play afterwards, 8:45 to 9:30am!
Friday 8th May 2026	Y1LF Swimming starts	Please sign up on ParentPay
Monday 11th to Thursday 14th May 2026	Year 6 SATs Special Year 6 Breakfast Club	Breakfast Club starts at 7:45am, all Year 6 children are welcome, there is no charge!
Wednesday 13th to Friday 15th May 2026	Year 3 Residential Visits Whirlow Hall Farm	
Wednesday 20th May 2026	Class Photos	Photographers will be in school to take a photo of the children with their teacher!
Thursday 21st May 2026	Year 2 Trip Graves Park	Please sign up on ParentPay
Monday 25th to Friday 29th May School is closed for half term		
Wednesday 3rd June 2026	Parent Open Morning and Workshop	More details soon!
Monday 8th June 2026	Mass in School Corpus Christi	9:15am, family members are welcome to join us, please enter by the school office!
Monday 8th to Wednesday 10th June 2026	Year 6 Residential Visit The Oakes	
Wednesday 10th June 2026	Reception Trip Butterfly House	Please sign up on ParentPay
Thursday 11th June 2026	Year 5 Trip Hepworth Gallery	Please sign up on ParentPay

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Friday 12 th June 2026	Y1AM Swimming starts	Please sign up on ParentPay
Wednesday 17 th June 2026	Nursery Trip Cannon Hall Farm	Please sign up on ParentPay
Wednesday 24 th June 2026	Nursery and Reception Sports Day	
Thursday 25 th June 2026	Year 1 Trip Heeley City Farm	Please sign up on ParentPay
Wednesday 1 st July 2026	Notre Dame Year 6 Transition Day	
Thursday 2 nd July 2026	Year 2 Camping Residential	Please sign up on ParentPay
Monday 6 th July 2026	Sports Day	Save the date!
Monday 13 th July 2026	Progress Assemblies	
Wednesday 15 th July 2026	Year 6 Leavers Performance	Parents and family members are welcome to join us, the performance 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 16 th July 2026	School Disco after school	
Friday 17 th July 2026	Leavers Mass in School	9:15am, family members are welcome to join us, please enter by the school office!

Monday 20th July to Wednesday 2nd September 2026
School is closed for Summer Holidays

Thursday 3rd September 2026
Back to school

A Big Well Done from Mrs Gillott ...

... to all the children who made their first confession at the Reconciliation Service on Wednesday evening!

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Stewardship: Caring for Our Community

We teach our children to be stewards of the earth ... to care for the gifts of God's creation ... as parents and school staff, we work together to teach our children ... this week, our challenge is to

**BE A GOOD FRIEND AND NEIGHBOUR,
AT HOME, AT SCHOOL AND ONLINE,
IN SHEFFIELD AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD!**



These winners have been nominated by their class for living out the weekly missions – God bless you all	
Year 1	Sula, Noel
Year 2	Sara, Eyosyas
Year 3	Angelo, Anabel
Year 4	Mariam, Shalom
Year 5	Miri, Tamera
Year 6	Yadi, Johan

Wonders of the Week

Nuh, Year 6

For persistence in learning a new skill at lunchtime, set as a challenge by staff – he finally did it, well done Nuh!



Yard Winners: Y4 and Y1



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Attendance and Punctuality 24th April

The highest attendance in school this week was 100%

Well done to the following class for the highest attendance:

Y5EH

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

**The best punctuality this week was
Y3JN and Y6RR with one late each!**

Well done to your children and their families!

Overall school attendance for last week was:

94.9%

Class	Teacher	Lates	% Attendance
F2AS	Mrs Atkinson and Miss Sweeney	7	92.7
F2WS	Mrs Wood and Mrs Stables	5	98.0
Y1AM	Miss Morris	4	95.7
Y1LF	Miss Franks	3	89.7
Y2DH	Mr Hawksworth	7	98.7
Y2NR	Miss Rodgers	6	99.7
Y3JN	Miss Ng	1	91.3
Y3MS	Miss Suleiman	4	93.7
Y4EB	Miss Brian	3	87.8
Y4IF	Miss Frost	9	98.6
Y5EH	Miss Huddleston	4	100
Y5OW	Miss Willis	12	93.2
Y6ED	Miss Drinkhill	8	97.2
Y6RR	Mrs Ralph	1	93.2



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MERIT WINNERS – well done to all of you!

Y1AM	Hannah S	For her positive attitude to learning, and in RWI where she has produced some beautiful handwriting, she is working really hard!
	Simon	For being an amazing role model, showing kindness and respect, and sharing. Great turn taking skills in games this week too!
Y1LF	Jonah	For being so confident when showing his holiday pictures. He was able to explain clearly what he'd been up to and it was lovely to see!
	Evelyn	For being so creative in choosing time. She's made her own start fish after learning about different sea creatures in Art!
Y2DH	Rome	For showing great mathematical thinking in Maths when learning about measure!
	Gelilia	For fantastic contributions during Celebration of the Word, and for being a great partner!
Y2NR	Robyn	For being the most amazing learning partners, and setting a great example to the class. Both children have begun the Summer term with confidence and excitement, and they have been working beautifully with each other – they listen, share, take turns, are patient, and they support each other!
	Stella	
Y3JN	Fatimah	For making links between our new project and previous learning, and explaining these clearly to her peers!
	Noah	For brilliant contributions to lessons, putting his hand up more to share answers – keep it up!
Y3MS	Ava	For working hard in RWI; consistent with practicing her words, she had built her confidence so much in Reading!
	Isabelle	For always working hard and showing that she is ready to learn, she is kind to the others in the class and is so helpful!
Y4EB	Eyob	For impressing Miss Brian with his amazing improvement in his times tables!
	Pasha	For working hard all week, and putting a lot of effort into all of his work!
Y4IF	Afiyah	For creating her own help sheet in Maths that supported her learning on the main task!
	Noah	For really taking time and effort with his sketch book presentation!
Y5EH	Dayna	For working incredibly hard and being resilient and confident in lessons, completing tasks fabulously!
	Selihom	For being engaged, curious and focused during our lessons, and always trying her best in all our work!
Y5OW	Sarah	For creating a beautiful piece of art work for Celebration of the Word, showing Miss Willis how resilient and confident she has become in her learning!
	Mikyle	For making a huge improvement in his behaviour this week, outstanding work produced and his hand is always up in whole class discussions!

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Y6ED	Arzaan	For a fantastic start back to school, and for working hard in all lessons!
	Sara	For a beautiful front cover page in her Project book, and for being a fantastic role model to all!
Y6RR	Kayla	For trying so hard in all of her learning and for making a great start to her Project book!
	John	For fantastic contributions to Maths lessons, and for incredible mental arithmetic skills!

FUNDRAISING

CAFOD A better world
needs all of us

Our Family Fast raised £174.00



Our Good Shepherd Collection raised £67.14



Our Easter Raffle raised £479.76

Thank you so much for all your support with our fundraising last term, we really are very grateful



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A Culture of Safeguarding at St Catherine's

We all have a duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.

If you have any concerns about a student at this setting please share this information with us straight away. Issues such as appearance, hygiene, behaviour, can be shared with teaching or support staff. Do not worry about reporting small matters – we would rather you tell us than miss a worrying situation.

However, if you think that a student or an adult who cares for them has been or might be harmed; please talk to a member of our trained safeguarding team immediately (details below).

You can ask any member of staff to find them and speak to you about a confidential and urgent matter.

At the moment we have a reduced Safeguarding Team but this does not affect our commitment to support our families – Mrs Redfern is away from school following surgery ❤️, and Mrs Porter is on maternity leave with her new little daughter ❤️

Mrs Puchalka can be contacted through the school office, please do not hesitate to contact her if you have a concern to share.



Mrs Redfern
Headteacher and
Designated Safeguarding Lead
Not available
due to absence



Mrs Puchalka
Designated Safeguarding Deputy

Email address:
bpuchalka@stcatherines.academy



Mrs Porter
Designated Safeguarding Deputy

Not available due to
maternity leave

We all deserve to be happy,
healthy and safe. ❤️



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Neurodiversity Sheffield Early Help Drop-in

- Do you have a child or young person who is living with ADHD or Autism?
- Is your child waiting for a diagnosis of neurodivergence?
- Do you need advice or support around behaviours in your child or young person which might be indicative of neurodivergence?

Delivered by Family Action and supported by Sheffield Parent Hub, Sheffield Family Hubs and Sheffield City Council.

Our informal drop in coffee sessions are a chance to have a chat with other parents/carers who are experiencing similar concerns. You will also have the chance to meet staff from **Neurodiversity Sheffield**, Sheffield Family HUBS, Ryegate, and other agencies who support families with neurodivergence.

Come along for help, support, advice and information... you will be in good hands.

✉ neurodiversity.sheffield@family-action.org.uk

☎ 0114 2412733 or 07816 408019

📍 **Neurodiversity Sheffield**
Scotia Works, Leadmill Road, Sheffield, S1 4SE

At Scotia Works:

**Thursday 30th April,
4.30pm-7.00pm**

**No diagnosis or
booking required!**

For more information about our service,

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Para World Snooker Championship

SHEFFIELD: THE HOME OF DISABILITY SNOOKER

When:

Finals Day 29th April

Where:

Canon Medical Arena
Sheffield Olympic Legacy Park
10am Start

Format:

Group stage: best of 3 frames
Finals day: best of 7 frames



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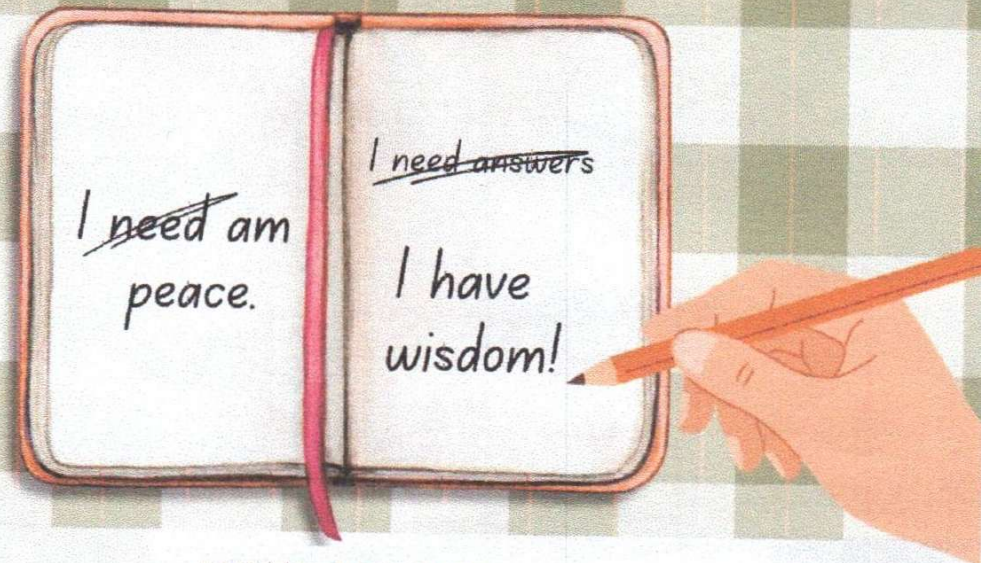
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Raja Yoga Meditation



WINCOBANK

Upper Wincobank Chapel
132 Wincobank Ave
Sheffield S5 6BB
#76 & 76a bus route

Four-part course, weekly on Thursdays

starting April 9th

and continuing 16th, 23rd, 30th April

12:30pm 'til 2pm



To register
please scan QR code
or contact:

Registration required

07879 923016
sheffield@uk.brahmakumaris.org
brahmakumaris.uk/events

Free of charge



Aged 18 and over

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