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SCHOLASTIC

Our new Scholastic Book Club is up and running from now until Friday 4th December!

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

1. Go to the St Catherine's Scholastic page by following this link or scanning the QR code.
   https://clubs.scholastic.co.uk/C-2MJ2CDSF
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

   St Catherines RC Primary Sch
   Firshill Crescent, Sheffield, South Yorkshire, S4 7BX, United Kingdom

7. Click deliver 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!

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What week is it for school dinners on Monday 9th November?

https://www.stcatherines.academy/school-meals

Please see the Packed Lunch Policy on the school website
We have a new menu after the holidays, it is now on the website!

WEEK ONE	FAVOURITES MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY	ROAST WEDNESDAY	PIZZA PARTY THURSDAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal	RT Pork Sausage & Bean Wholewheat Pasta Bake & Garlic bread	BBQ Chicken & Mixed Wholegrain Rice	Roast Chicken with Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Wholemeal Margherita & Home-baked Jacket Potato Wedges	MSC Fish Fingers & Chips
Vegetarian Meal	Vegetable Sausage & Bean Wholewheat Pasta Bake & Garlic Bread	BBQ Vegetables & Mixed Wholegrain Rice VG	Quorn Grill, Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Vegetable Cottage Pie VG	Cheesy Bean Pitta - Wholemeal VG
Vegetables	Broccoli & Sweetcorn	Carrots & Garden Peas	Seasonal Greens & Country Mixed Vegetables	Mixed Salad, Broccoli & Sweetcorn	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	Chip Butty
Baked Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo, Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo, Cheese, Salmon Mayo or Beans
Dessert	Chocolatey Cornflake Crispy	Gingerbread Cookie & Fresh Fruit	Orange Jelly & Fruit Slices VG	Marble Sponge & Custard	Chocolatey Brownie

Dates to Remember and Other Important Things!

New information is highlighted

Wednesday 11th November 2026	**Individual school photos af all children – Nursery to Year 6**	
Tuesday 17th November 2026	**Reception classes Local Walk**	**Children will be walking to Roe Woods to find signs of Autumn!**
Thursday 19th November 2026	**Year 6 School Nursing Service will be in school for height and weight checks**	
Thursday 19th November 2026	**Year 5 Trip Magna Science Adventure Centre**	**Please sign up on ParentPay**
Sunday 22nd November 2026	**Centenary Mass at St Catherine's Church at 10:30am**	
Tuesday 24th November 2026	**Y4IF Advent Assembly "HOPE"**	**9:15am, more details nearer the time!**
Tuesday 24th November 2024	**Nursery Stay and Learn "Storytime"**	**9:00am to 9:30am**

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Tuesday 24th November 2026	**Year 6 Trip Holocaust Centre**	**Please sign up on ParentPay**
Wednesday 25th November 2026	**Reception Parent Workshop "Read Write Inc"**	**9:00am to 10:00am with Mrs Gordon in CCC, please enter by the school office!**
Thursday 26th November 2026	**Follow up flu vaccinations**	
Thursday 26th November 2026	**Nursery Stay and Learn "Storytime"**	**9:00am to 9:30am**
Friday 27th November 2026	**Year 1 Trip Emergency Services Museum**	**Please sign up on ParentPay**
Tuesday 1st December 2026	**Y6EH Advent Assembly "PEACE"**	**9:15am, more details nearer the time!**
Wednesday 2nd December 2026	**Reception Stay and Learn "Storytime"**	**9:00am to 9:30am (straight after Stay and Play)**
Thursday 3rd December 2026	**Year 4 Workshop Science of Sound**	**The workshop for Year 4 children will take place in school**
Tuesday 8th December 2026	**Y6ED Advent Assembly "JOY"**	**9:15am, more details nearer the time!**
Wednesday 9th December 2026	**F2JW Nativity**	**2:30pm, more details nearer the time!**
Tuesday 15th December 2026	**Y4TD Advent Assembly "LOVE"**	**9:15am, more details nearer the time!**
Wednesday 16th December 2026	**Year 1 to Year 6 Parent Open Morning**	**More details nearer the time!**
Wednesday 16th December 2026	**F2AW Nativity**	**2:30pm, more details nearer the time!**
Thursday 17th December 2026	**Year 1 to Year 6 Christmas Disco**	**After school until 4:45pm**
Monday 21st December to Friday 1st January 2027	**Christmas holiday, school is closed**	
Monday 4th January 2027	**Training day, school is closed to pupils**	

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A Culture of Safeguarding at St Catherine's

Message from Sheffield Parent Carer Forum

It was great to see so many of you at our Sheffield SEND information event last month. We hope you found lots of useful information, advice and support for you and your family.

To stay up to date and gain further access to information, advice and support for parents and carers of children with SEND please sign up to become a member. It's completely free. You can sign up here:

https://sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk/become-a-member/

Weekly SEND parent carer in school meeting: We are also running a weekly school drop in which will take place on some Fridays during term time. Please come along to gain access to information and advice or just for a friendly chat in a supportive space!

Here are the dates:

- Friday 20th November
- Friday 27th November
- Friday 4th December
- Friday 11th December

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Key Stage 1 Maths Challenge – November 2026



Andrew decorated 20 biscuits to take to a party.

He lined them up and put icing on every second biscuit.

Then he put a cherry on every third biscuit.

Then he put a chocolate button on every fourth biscuit.

So there was nothing on the first biscuit.

How many other biscuits had no decoration? Did any biscuits get all three decorations?

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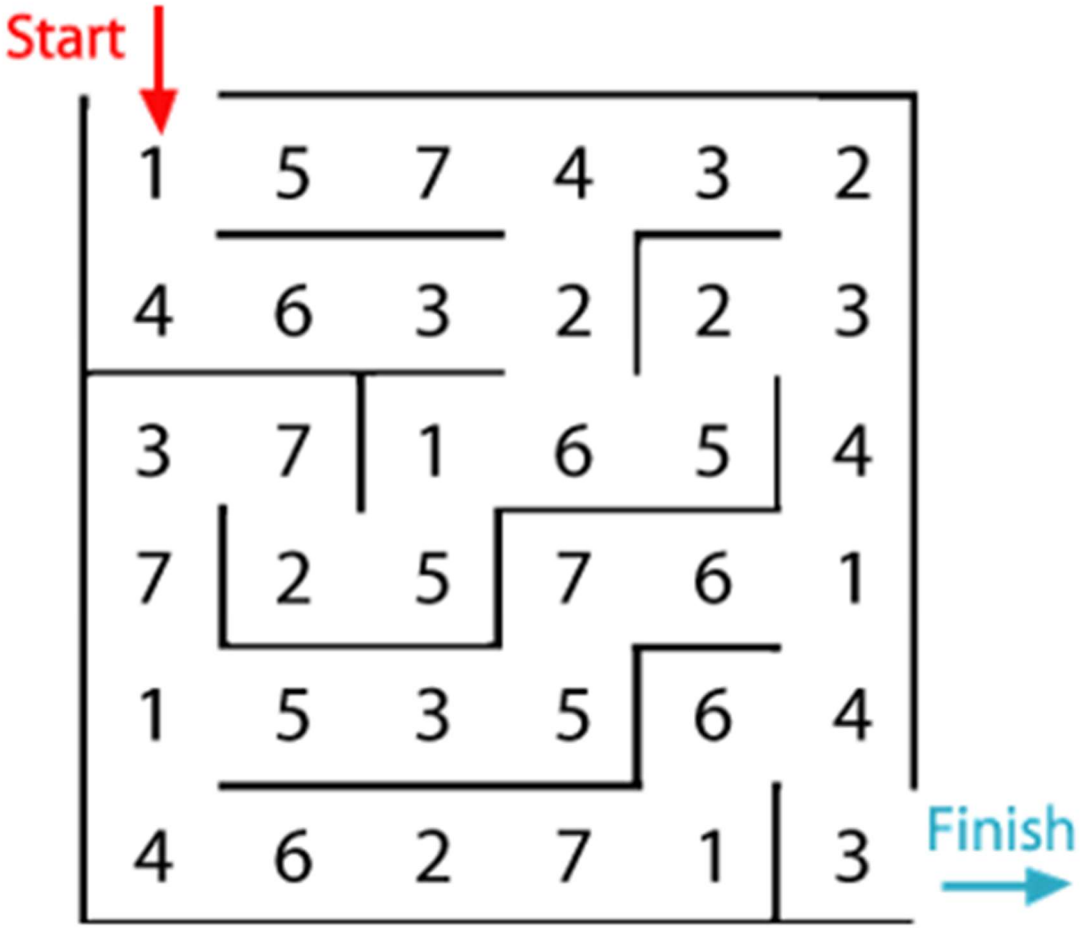
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Key Stage 2 Maths Challenge – November 2026

100 Maze

In this maze there are numbers in each of the cells. You go through adding all the numbers that you pass. You may not go through any cell more than once.

Can you find a way through in which the numbers add to exactly 100?



What is the lowest number you can make going through the maze?

What is the highest number you can make going through the maze?

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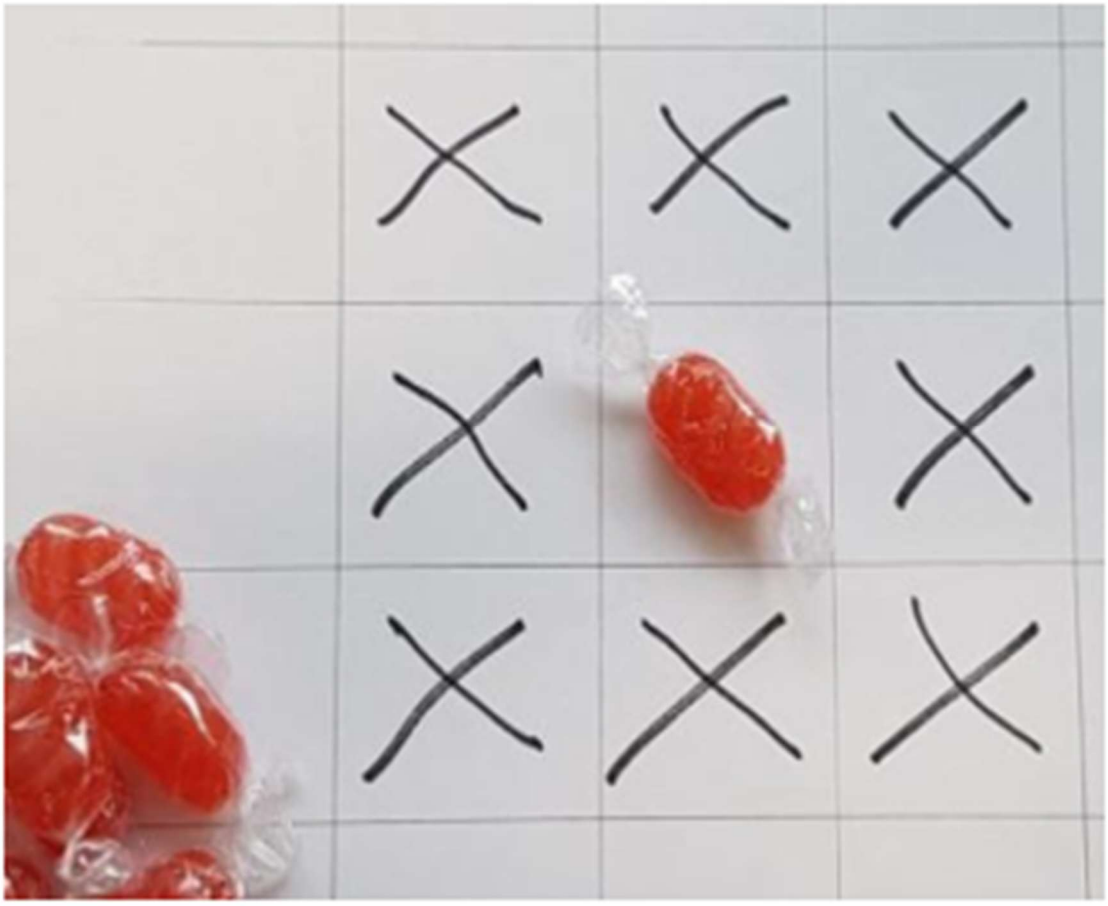
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Miss Drinkhill is thinking …



A sweet manufacturer has decided to design some gift boxes for a new kind of sweet.

Each box is to contain 36 sweets placed in lines in a single layer in a geometric shape without gaps or fillers. The sweets come in 4 colours, 9 of each colour.

Arrange the sweets so that no sweets of the same colour are adjacent to (that is 'next to') each other in any direction. In the picture below, none of the squares marked x can have a red sweet in them.

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Attendance and Punctuality

The highest attendance in school this week was 99.6%

Well done to the following classes for the highest attendance:

Y1LF and Y4TD

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

The best punctuality this week was Y2DH with zero lates!

Well done to your children and their families!

Overall school attendance for last week was:

96.5%

Class	Teacher	Lates	% Attendance
F2JW	Miss Jefferies and Mrs Wilkinson	3	95.4
F2AW	Mrs Atkinson and Mrs Wood	4	99.2
Y1LF	Miss Franks	5	99.6
Y1AM	Miss Morris	2	93.8
Y2NR	Miss Rodgers	2	97.0
Y2DH	Mr Hawksworth	0	97.9
Y3JN	Miss Ng	2	99.2
Y3MS	Miss Suleiman	5	88.3
Y4IF	Miss Frost	3	98.0
Y4TD	Miss Dennis	3	99.6
Y5FS	Mr Fowler and Miss Sweeney	6	93.3
Y5EB	Miss Brian	5	98.0
Y6ED	Miss Drinkhill	3	95.8
Y6EH	Miss Huddleston	7	95.4

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MERIT WINNERS – well done to all of you!

Y1LF	**Khadijah**	For having such an amazing week, she has been focussed in every lesson and impressing Miss Franks!
	Kabiher	For being so impressive in RWI, she has been trying so hard with all her sounds and reading!
Y1AM	**Yotam**	For working really hard this week, building a shelter which was really tricky, she persisted and overcame lots of barriers!
	Kudus	For working so hard to follow school rules, and giving every lesson his full attention, especially an Online Safety lesson with lots of amazing knowledge!
Y2NR	**Christine**	For blowing adults away in RWI this week, really focussed and confident, clear sounds and specific reading!
	Simon	For a fabulous first week back, amazing contributions in all lessons, really focussed on tasks, and being respectful to adults, peers and the environment!
Y2DH	**Tsion**	For impressing Mr Hawksworth with her Maths work, adding and subtracting tens!
	Yorkabiel	For fantastic knowledge in RE about the annunciation of John the Baptist and Jesus!
Y3JN	**Aiden**	For some fantastic simple sentences and always presenting his work so beautifully!
	Zahra	For always trying her best in lessons and giving things a go!
Y3MS	**Lial**	For always being patient, and following instructions straight away, impressing Mrs Cam during silent reading!
	Daniel	For really impressing Miss Vella this week, being really kind, hard working, and showing the best version of himself!
Y4IF	**Eliora**	For completing a Miss Frost Challenge over the holidays and completing a diary of what she did!
	Eliana	For thought provoking responses and contributions in Celebration of the Word!
Y4TD	**Kaitlyn**	For returning with a fantastic attitude, ready to learn from the first moment, getting straight to work on the first draft of our diary entry!
	Ava	For progression in her independence during learning tasks, more confident in applying what she has learned and working things out for herself!
Y5FS	**Vania**	For always having a go, giving 100% on the carpet in class learning, and giving great answers in Online Safety learning, PSHE, RE and Project!
	Afiyah	For catching Mr Fowler's eye in Maths, using support and asking for help if needed, meeting all challenges with a smile!
Y5EB	**Zakariya**	For wowing Miss Brian with his impressive Maths skills on Roman numerals!
	Amen	For working incredibly hard on his handwriting and spelling, he is showing real improvement!

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Y6ED	**Irene**	For showing so much resilience and determination in Maths learning, and never giving up on a challenge!
	Dayna	For a brilliant, reflective and creative poem linked to Laudato si'!
Y6EH	**Isaac**	For really trying his best in all lessons this week, and for always looking out for others, being kind and compassionate to all!
	Amira J	For always working hard and trying her best in all lessons, and for showing a fantastic positive attitude towards Maths, even when she finds it tricky!

Wonders of the Week – well done to all of you!

Rufael, Year 6
For helping with Tag Rugby!

Isaac B, Year 5
For perseverance with a chopstick game that is really tricky!



Nefertem, Leo, Bemenet, Isaac G, Year 5
For a wonderful game of basketball at playtime!

Joseph T, Year 3 and Jacob, Year 1
For being K'nex masters and playing well at lunchtime!

Eyosyas, Year 3
For making good choices and listening to adults at lunchtime!

Yard Winners: Year 6

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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

These winners have been nominated by their class for living out the weekly mission – God bless you all

The weekly mission is given by Mrs Redfern in Assembly on Monday mornings.

Year 1	**Melaher and Mary**
Year 2	**Omer and Joshua**
Year 3	**Laura and Nathanael**
Year 4	**Tinbite and Abigail**
Year 5	**Mia and Afiyah**
Year 6	**Adonay and Daniyal**

Stewardship: Caring for Our Community

This week, our challenge is to think of a situation in the world that is unfair. Work together with others in your community to raise awareness and to work for justice.



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SESSION DETAILS

(hardball)
Thursdays 17:30-19:00
Sheffield indoor cricket centre,
402 petre street, S4 8LU
(softball)
Fridays 17:00-18:00
Concord sports centre,
Shiregreen Lane, S5 6AE

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Happy Christmas?

Or is it hard for your family to go to Church at Christmas, as it doesn't meet your child's needs?



SEND Inclusive Christmas Eve

For children & young people with SEND / disabilty / neurodivergence.
And their family and friends!

24th December 2026
9.45 am to 10.45 am

St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church,
Nether Edge, S11 8YL

This is a new project -your input is vital!

Please get in touch with -
Thoughts or ideas;
How we could meet your child's needs;
Or if you'd be interested in coming along!

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