



# Newsletter

Issue 7

17<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## **Executive Headteacher Notice**

*It has been another great week in school with our Nursery parents evening on Wednesday and also today a small group of children attended Mass at the Cathedral with Bishop Ralph. We are so proud of our children and how hard they are working. We are looking forward to our Y6 residential next week too. Thank you for your continued support.*

## **Jewellery**

*There have been some questions asked about children wearing jewellery, particularly religious jewellery. We are asking that no jewellery is worn for school other than one pair of plain stud earrings. This is for Health and Safety reasons. We would not want any child to be injured due to wearing jewellery whilst running on the playground or taking part in PE. Children are not able to enter the swimming pool if they are wearing jewellery nor do secondary schools allow this. We thank you for your understanding and support in this matter.*

## **Y6 Residential to Newby Wiske**

*We are really looking forward to our Y6 residential on Wednesday. The children need to arrive for normal time so that we can register them and sort out the medication, water bottles and packed lunches. The children will need to enter through the hall door with their bags. Parents are welcome to wait if you wish and the coach will arrive for us to depart at approximately 9:30am. If parents do not wish to wait then please do not worry.*

## **Additional INSET days**

*Due to the change in our curriculum, we will be having a further INSET day this term. School will be closed on Friday 5 December 2025 to children and families.*

## **Application to Secondary School**

*Applications for secondary school have now closed. If you have not submitted your application then please speak to the school office.*

## **Time to start School?**

**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](http://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).**

## Black History Month

To celebrate Black History Month at St Patrick's, children will focus on protest songs and the impact these have had on the fight for equality. The children will learn about the Civil Rights Movement, the inspiration and context behind their protest song, how more current protest songs are used and reflect on this through art work. The children will choose lyrics that speak to them and intertwine this into a creative piece.



### PE days

<b>Y1 Miss Chamberlain's – Friday (Indoor)</b>	<b>Y3/4 Mr Fidler's – Monday (Indoor) - Thursday (Outdoor)</b>
<b>Y1/2 Miss Hardwick's – Monday (Outdoor) - Tuesday (Indoor)</b>	<b>Y4/5 Miss Kirk's – Monday (Outdoor) - Tuesday (Indoor)</b>
<b>Y2 Miss Hobbs - – Monday (Outdoor) - Thursday (Indoor)</b>	<b>Y5/6 Mrs Verdon-Smith's – Thursday (Indoor) - Friday (Outdoor)</b>
<b>Y3 Mrs Johnson/Miss Keeton's – Wednesday (Outdoor) - Friday (Indoor)</b>	<b>Y6 Miss Rutter's – Wednesday (Indoor) - Friday (Outdoor)</b>

### Virtues to Live By – Reflection

• <b>F2 Ms Boardman's –</b> <i>Catherine Roshan and Szeana Lanon</i>	• <b>Y3 Mrs Johnson/Miss Keeton's –</b> <i>Khaleef Allen and Jovana Binoy</i>
• <b>Y1 Miss Chamberlain's –</b> <i>Coby Duke and Oakley Wilson</i>	• <b>Y3/4 Mr Fidler's –</b> <i>Renz Price-Beech and Shariya Esmail</i>
• <b>Y1/2 Miss Hardwick's –</b> <i>Haya Jomon and Elaina Jobin</i>	• <b>Y4/5 Miss Kirk's –</b> <i>Hala Gaber and Joe Joseph</i>
• <b>Y2 Miss Hobbs –</b> <i>Shania Hodges and Tehlani Bacchus</i>	• <b>Y5/6 Mrs Verdon-Smith's –</b> <i>Omnia Nasir and Nathaneal Yohannes</i>
	• <b>Y6 Miss Rutter's –</b> <i>Jeremiah Jerry and Kadeem Sherriff</i>

### Weekly Attendance – Commencing 6 October

POSITION THIS WEEK	CLASS	WEEKLY ATTENDANCE%	WEEKLY POINTS	TOTAL POINTS	OVERALL POSITION
1	<i>Ms Boardman</i>	100%	9	46	1 <sup>st</sup>
2	<i>Miss Chamberlain</i>	97.8%	8	28	6 <sup>th</sup>
3	<i>Mrs Johnson &amp; Miss Keeton</i>	97.7%	7	41	2 <sup>nd</sup>
4	<i>Miss Rutter</i>	97.3%	6	25	Joint 7 <sup>th</sup>
5	<i>Mrs Verdon-Smith</i>	97.2%	5	30	Joint 4 <sup>th</sup>
6	<i>Miss Hobbs</i>	96%	4	25	Joint 7 <sup>th</sup>
7	<i>Miss Hardwick</i>	95%	3	32	3 <sup>rd</sup>
8	<i>Mr Fidler</i>	94%	2	30	Joint 4 <sup>th</sup>
9	<i>Miss Kirk</i>	92.9%	1	15	9 <sup>th</sup>

### Afterschool Clubs \*Autumn Term 1\*

DAY	CLUB	TIME	START	FINISH	Cost per child per session
Monday	KS2 Dance Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	15/09/25	<b>20/10/25</b>	£1
	KS2 Table Tennis Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	15/09/25	<b>20/10/25</b>	£1
Tuesday	Y5 & Y6 Boys Football Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	16/09/25	<b>21/10/25</b>	£1
Wednesday	Y1/ Y2 Karate Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	17/09/25	<b>22/10/25</b>	£1
Thursday	KS2 Girls Football Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	18/09/25	<b>23/10/25</b>	£1

*Afterschool Clubs for next half term have now been added on ParentMail. Places are limited per club!*

### Dates for the Diary

*Monday 20 October – Pupil Flu Vaccinations (Reception-Y6)*

*Wednesday 22 October – Friday 24 October – Y6 Residential to PGL Newby Wiske*

*Friday 24 October – 3.15pm School closes for half term*

*Monday 3 November – 8.45am School re-opens after the half term*

*Thursday 6 November – Pupil Individual Photos*

*Friday 5 December - Staff INSET DAY – School closed to pupils*

### Logo Leisurewear Ordering


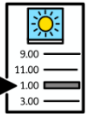









Order School Uniform using the following link:

<https://logoleisurewear.com/product-category/schools/schools-st-patricks-primary/>

Dear Parents and Carers,

The School Age Immunisation Team will be visiting schools to give the **Seasonal Flu Vaccine** to children from Year Reception – Y6. **A single dose of the flu nasal spray will mean your child is less likely to become ill if they come into contact with the flu virus.**

	Flu Vaccination at <b>St Patricks Catholic Voluntary Academy</b>
	<b>20/10/2025 from 9.30am</b>
	<b>We need your consent to give your child the vaccine.</b> When filling in the consent form, you will have <b>3 options:</b>
	1. <b>Nasal spray</b> - This is the most effective way to protect your child from flu. (Please note: it contains pork gelatine.)
	2. <b>Injectable flu vaccine</b> - This version <b>does not</b> contain pork gelatine.
	3. <b>To not give consent</b>
	<b>Please fill in the form.</b>  Link: <a href="http://www.sheffieldchildrensvaccinations.co.uk/Forms/Flu">www.sheffieldchildrensvaccinations.co.uk/Forms/Flu</a>  QR code:   <b><u>You will need to use this unique school code: SF139347</u></b>
	Please contact the School Age Immunisation Service for more information: <b>Admin:</b> 0114 305 3291 <b>Nurses:</b> 0114 305 3230 <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:scn-tr.sheffielddutysn.vacandimm@nhs.net">scn-tr.sheffielddutysn.vacandimm@nhs.net</a>

## Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance

Reminder of Penalty Notice Fines issued for term time leave absence.

### Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines will now be issued to each parent, for each child that was absent.

For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

### First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued (after 19<sup>th</sup> August) for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance this will be considered the first offence, and the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

### 5 consecutive days of term time leave

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for Term Time Leave of 5 or more consecutive days. Where there is 4 days of absence during a week where there is also a training day, a penalty notice may still be issued.

### 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period

Penalty Notice Fines can also be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.

### Second Offence (within 3 years)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

### Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child.

Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate.