



Newsletter

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5th December 2025

Executive Headteacher Notice

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our Advent Mass yesterday in Church. It was a wonderful way to begin the season of Advent together. The Y6 children read so clearly and all children sang their hearts out. Thank you to Miss Kirk for leading the singing so beautifully too.

St Luke's Reindeer Run

On Friday 12 December, we will be taking part in St Luke's Reindeer Run. Children will come to school in their Christmas Jumpers and we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £1 per child. All funds raised will go towards St Luke's Hospice. Each class will have the opportunity to take part in a run, either on the school field or playground. Each child will also receive a pair of reindeer antlers to wear during the run. Olivia Yates from St Luke's is coming in to school on 9 December to lead an assembly for the children.

Whole school donation link: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/stlukesreindeerrunstpatricks>

Staffing Update

Mrs Verdon-Smith will continue to be absent until Christmas. Mrs Sheeran returns from maternity leave on Monday and will therefore teach the class until Mrs Verdon-Smith returns. Thank you.

Monday 8 December

There will be no swimming on Monday due to a Christmas treat for the children. A huge thank you to Friends of St Patrick's and to parents for supporting the fundraising events which has enabled Friends to pay for a pantomime to visit our school for the children.

RSE Consultation

Please see the separate letter that was emailed out and posted on DOJO regarding our RSE consultation earlier this week. The consultation will run until 31 December 2025. Thank you

Christmas Dinner

We will be having our annual Christmas Dinner on Friday 12 December. To order this meal, please order using ParentMail. We are also inviting children to come to school wearing a Christmas Jumper on this day if they wish to do so.

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

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).

PE days

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

Virtues to Live By – Patience

• F2 Ms Boardman's – Sebastian Valiukevic and Luca Joseph-Pancaro	• Y3 Mrs Johnson/Miss Keeton's – Rohan Khan and Arsema Hagos
• Y1 Miss Chamberlain's – Grace Okoso and Dwithika Vishnu Sreethu	• Y3/4 Mr Fidler's – Nathan Mathai and Ann Dhaneesh
• Y1/2 Miss Hardwick's – Sara Hagos and Haizel Boney Mathew	• Y4/5 Miss Kirk's – Raphael Bala and Ramone Dawson
• Y2 Miss Hobbs – Lainey Pownall and Ava Hope	• Y5/6 Mrs Verdon-Smith's – Ruben Watson and Nathanael Yohannes
	• Y6 Miss Rutter's – Jeremiah Jerry, Hosanna Seleba, Kokob Abrehale, Alessia Preda, Vince Okoso, Nathan Mathew and Destiny Nwagwu

Weekly Attendance – Commencing 24 November

POSITION THIS WEEK	CLASS	WEEKLY ATTENDANCE%	WEEKLY POINTS	TOTAL POINTS	OVERALL POSITION
1	Miss Hobbs	96.3%	9	50	7 th
2	Mr Fidler	95.7%	8	71	3 rd
3	Miss Kirk	94.7%	7	51	6 th
4	Mrs Verdon-Smith	94.6%	6	72	2 nd
5	Ms Boardman	92.4%	5	82	1 st
6	Mrs Johnson & Miss Keeton	92.2%	4	67	Joint 4 th
7	Miss Hardwick	91.2%	3	47	8 th
8	Miss Rutter	90.3%	2	67	Joint 4 th
9	Miss Chamberlain	87%	1	37	9 th



Logo Leisurewear Ordering

Order School Uniform using the following link:

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

After School Clubs *Autumn Term 2*

DAY	CLUB	TIME	START	FINISH	Cost per child per session
Monday	KS2 Dance Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	03/11/2025	08/12/2025	£1
	KS2 Table Tennis Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	03/11/2025	08/12/2025	£1
Tuesday	Y5 & Y6 Boys Football Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	11/11/2025	09/12/2025	£1
Wednesday	Y1/ Y2 Karate Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	05/11/2025	10/12/2025	£1
	Y5 / Y6 Cricket Club	3:15 – 4pm	12/11/2025	10/12/2025	£1
Thursday	KS2 Girls Football Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	06/11/2025	Finished	£1

Dates for the Diary

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

Friday 19 December – 3.15pm School closes for Christmas holidays

Monday 5 January 2026 – 8.45am School re-opens after the Christmas holidays



Christmas Dates

Monday 8 December – Visiting pantomime coming to school for our children to watch an amazing show!

Tuesday 9 December – F2 Stay and Sing 2.30pm – F2 parents please join our F2 children to sing along to Christmas songs

Wednesday 10 December – Miss Kirk's class Y4/5 Advent Assembly 9.30am – parents are welcome to join us

Thursday 11 December – Morning Nursery Stay and Sing 11am - Nursery parents please join our F1 children to sing along to Christmas songs

Thursday 11 December – Afternoon Nursery Stay and Sing 2.30pm - Nursery parents please join our F1 children to sing along to Christmas songs

Friday 12 December – Reindeer Run to fundraise for St Luke's Hospice, Christmas Jumper Day (Voluntary donation of £1 per child) and Christmas Dinner Day

Wednesday 17 December – KS1 Nativity at 2.15pm – Y2 parents are invited to watch (Each family to receive 3 tickets)

Thursday 18 December – KS1 Nativity at 9.15am – Y1 parents are invited to watch (Each family to receive 3 tickets)

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 19th 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.