



# Newsletter

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## **Executive Headteacher Notice**

We have had a wonderful week in school. We began on Monday with a visiting pantomime, we have had stay and sing sessions in Early Years, Y4/5 led our beautiful Advent liturgy, thank you to Miss Kirk and her class. Today we have enjoyed our reindeer run and yummy Christmas Dinner cooked by our fabulous kitchen team.

We have also had visits from the English Hub and Maths Hub this week to monitor our progress in Phonics and Maths. We have received some fabulous feedback and the staff are working so hard to continue to drive school improvement.

## **Friends of St Patrick's**

Thank you for the fundraising that you do and the support from our parents. This has helped our children to enjoy a visiting pantomime and they will also receive a Christmas treat next Friday.

## **St Luke's Reindeer Run**

Thank you to everyone for their kind donations. So far, we have raised £241!

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

## **Staffing Update**

We have welcomed back Mrs Sheeran from maternity leave this week and she has taught our Y5/6 class.

Congratulations to Miss Rutter who is expecting her second child in April 2026.

## **Parents Evening**

Booking for our next parents evening will be open on Monday. EYFS and KS1 will take place on Tuesday 20 January 2026 and KS2 on Wednesday 21 January 2026.

## **Admissions PAN Consultation 2027/28**

We are consulting on our planned admissions arrangements for pupils applying for places in the academic year beginning September 2027. The consultation will run for 6 weeks from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2025 to 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

This consultation is taking place due to a decreased uptake of places. We have the following proposed changes to our arrangements: Reducing the Planned Admission Number from 40 to 30

We welcome your views on our proposed arrangements. We will also be happy to answer any questions that you may have. You can share your views or questions by completing this [form](#).

Please ensure that if you want to share your views you do so by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026. Arrangements will be published by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

## **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

## **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).

### 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 – Advent Reflection

• F2 Ms Boardman's – Zikora and Olamide	• Y3 Mrs Johnson/Miss Keeton's – Hazel and Leo
• Y1 Miss Chamberlain's – Efrata and Kehlani	• Y3/4 Mr Fidler's – Amelia and Aadhish
• Y1/2 Miss Hardwick's – Joey and Kaylah-Success	• Y4/5 Miss Kirk's – Sireen and Alina
• Y2 Miss Hobbs – Isabel and Tehlani	• Y5/6 Mrs Verdon-Smith's – Ellen and Keeley
	• Y6 Miss Rutter's – Harry and Rosabelle

### Weekly Attendance – Commencing 1 December

POSITION THIS WEEK	CLASS	WEEKLY ATTENDANCE%	WEEKLY POINTS	TOTAL POINTS	OVERALL POSITION
1	Miss Hardwick	99.5%	9	56	7 <sup>th</sup>
2	Miss Hobbs	98.5%	8	58	6 <sup>th</sup>
3	Mrs Johnson & Miss Keeton	98.4%	7	74	2 <sup>nd</sup>
4	Ms Boardman	98%	6	88	1 <sup>st</sup>
5	Miss Rutter	96.5%	5	72	5 <sup>th</sup>
6	Miss Kirk	95.4%	4	55	8 <sup>th</sup>
7	Miss Chamberlain	95.1%	3	40	9 <sup>th</sup>
8	Mr Fidler	94.2%	2	73	Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>
9	Mrs Verdon-Smith	88.6%	1	73	Joint 3 <sup>rd</sup>

### Logo Leisurewear Ordering



Order School Uniform using the following link:

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

### Afterschool Clubs

*ALL Autumn Term 2 Afterschool Clubs have now finished!*

*Afterschool Clubs for Spring Term 1 have been added on ParentMail. Places are limited per club! The cost per club for the half term is £6.*

<b>Spring 1</b>					
<b>DAY</b>	<b>CLUB</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>FINISH</b>	<b>Cost per child per session</b>
Monday	KS2 Dance Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	05/01/2026	<b>09/02/2026</b>	£1
	KS2 Table Tennis Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	05/01/2026	<b>09/02/2026</b>	£1
Tuesday	Y5 & Y6 Boys Football Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	06/01/2026	<b>10/02/2026</b>	£1
Wednesday	Y1/ Y2 Karate Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	07/01/2026	<b>11/02/2026</b>	£1
	Y5 / Y6 Cricket Club	3:15 – 4pm	07/01/2026	<b>11/02/2026</b>	£1
Thursday	KS2 Girls Football Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	08/01/2026	<b>12/02/2026</b>	£1

### Dates for the Diary

**Friday 19 December** – 3.15pm School closes for Christmas holidays

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

**Tuesday 6 and Wednesday 7 January** – F2 Heights and Weights

**Tuesday 20 January** – EYFS and KS1 Parents Evening

**Wednesday 21 January** – KS2 Parents Evening



### Christmas Dates

**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 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.