



Newsletter

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Executive Headteacher Notice

It has been a very busy week in school with our first OFSTED monitoring visit of 2026. The children and staff were amazing and it was wonderful to see the children sharing their learning with the inspectors. As soon as the letter is available, we will share this with parents. Thank you for your continued support.

Headteacher recruitment

The advert for the permanent Headteacher position has now gone live. Once an appointment has been made, there will be a period of handover before Miss Weir and I leave in the Summer.

RSE Information meetings

Thank you to Miss Weir for leading our RSE information meetings this week and to those parents who attended.

Y3 Swimming

Please can we remind all parents that swimming is part of the National Curriculum and the Government states that we must aim for all children to be able to swim 25m by the time they leave Y6. We have had lots of children either forgetting their kit or saying they cannot go due to illness. If the child is well enough to be in school then they will be well enough to attend swimming. We will also have spare swimming kit in school. Thank you.

Phonics Workshops

We are running a series of Phonics Workshops this term for parents/carers of children in FS2, Y1 and Y2 on Mondays – Please see Dates for the diary box below for exact dates.

Parents Evening

Booking for our next parents evening is still now open and will take place on the following days.

Y3/4, Y4/5, Y5/6 and Y6 will take place on Tuesday 20 January 2026

Y1/2, Y2 and Y3 will take place on Wednesday 21 January 2026

Nursery, F2 and Y1 Miss Chamberlain will take place on Thursday 22 January 2026

For Parents/Carers who already have an account, you can book an appointment by using the following link:

<https://www.st-patricks.sheffield.sch.uk/parentportal/?redirect=parents-evening>

IRIS ParentMail

Please can you ensure that you have the ParentMail App – this can be downloaded on the app store.

It's important to have the app to keep up to date with what's happening in school. Here we post our weekly Newsletter, Afterschool Clubs and Trips.

School Dinners are ordered on here by Parents/Carers at home and Breakfast Club places can also be booked.

At the moment, 70% of our families currently use the ParentMail App.

If you are struggling to access your account, please speak with Mr Rodgers in the office who will be happy to help.

School Dinners

Please can Parents/Carers ensure that school dinners are ordered from home. We still have a large amount of children ordering dinners in class in the morning. Ordering from home ensures that you have control over what your child eats in school.

PE days

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

Virtues to Live By – Faith

• F2 Ms Boardman's – Jasper and Annabella	• Y3 Mrs Johnson/Miss Keeton's – Ava and Robel
• Y1 Miss Chamberlain's – Nivan and Malachi	• Y3/4 Mr Fidler's – Iyannah and Shariya
• Y1/2 Miss Hardwick's – Kaylah-Success and Haya	• Y4/5 Miss Kirk's – Elizabeth and Josie-Mae
• Y2 Miss Hobbs – Peter and King	• Y5/6 Mrs Verdon-Smith's – Maxwell and Lily
	• Y6 Miss Rutter's – Rosabelle and Nylah

Weekly Attendance – Commencing 5 January

POSITION THIS WEEK	CLASS	WEEKLY ATTENDANCE%	WEEKLY POINTS	TOTAL POINTS	OVERALL POSITION
1	Mrs Johnson & Miss Keeton	97.2%	9	98	1 st
2	Miss Kirk	94.8%	8	71	7 th
3	Miss Hobbs	94.6%	7	75	6 th
4	Mr Fidler	94.3%	6	90	5 th
5	Miss Rutter	94%	5	91	4 th
6	Miss Hardwick	93.8%	4	65	8 th
7	Mrs Verdon-Smith	93.4%	3	92	3 rd
8	Ms Boardman	90.4%	2	96	2 nd
9	Miss Chamberlain	90.3%	1	47	9 th

Logo Leisurewear Ordering



Order School Uniform using the following link:

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

Afterschool Clubs

Spring Term 1					
DAY	CLUB	TIME	START	FINISH	Cost per child per session
Monday	KS2 Dance Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	05/01/2026	09/02/2026	£1
	KS2 Table Tennis Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	05/01/2026	09/02/2026	£1
Tuesday	Y5 & Y6 Boys Football Club	3:15 – 4:00pm	06/01/2026	10/02/2026	£1
Wednesday	Y1/ Y2 Karate Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	07/01/2026	11/02/2026	£1
	Y5 / Y6 Cricket Club	3:15 – 4pm	07/01/2026	11/02/2026	£1
	KS2 Book Club	3:15 – 4pm	07/01/2026	11/02/2026	£1

Dates for the Diary

Monday 19 January – Introduction to Phonics for FS2 and Year 1 Parents/Carers 2.45 – 3.15pm

Tuesday 20 January – KS2 Parents Evening 1.30 – 7pm

Wednesday 21 January – Y1/2, Y2 and Y3 Parents Evening 1.30 – 7pm

Thursday 22 January – Y6 Trip to Crucial Crew

Thursday 22 January – Nursery, F2 and Y1 Parents Evening 1.30 – 7pm

Monday 26 January – FS2 Set 1 Sounds 2.45 – 3.15pm

Monday 2 February – FS2 Fred Talk for Parents/Carers 2.45 – 3.15pm

Monday 9 February – Set 2 and 3 sounds for Year 1 and Year 2 Parents/Carers 2.45 – 3.15pm

Monday 2 March – PSC for Year 1 Parents/Carers 2.45 – 3.15pm

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.