



Newsletter

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Executive Headteacher Notice

It has been another busy week in school. Thank you to those parents who attended our Phonics workshop on Monday and to those who had parents evening with Miss Sheeran. We have been working hard to fundraise with our book sale and thank you to Miss Rutter and Miss Pierce along with the children for sorting this. Thank you for your continued support.

Staffing Update

We are pleased to inform you that Miss Hobbs will be staying with us at St Patrick's as Assistant Headteacher on a permanent basis.

World Book Day – Friday 6 March

We will be celebrating World Book Day at St Patrick's on Friday 6 March 2026. Further details will follow next week

Y4 Swimming

Group 2 children will start on 9 February. If your child did not complete the mandatory 25m swim unaided, they will continue swimming and will join Group 2.

Phonics Workshops

Thank you to the parents/carers that attended our Phonics Workshop this week. We still have plenty more sessions 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.

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, After school 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 Parent Mail 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 number of children ordering dinners in class in the morning. Ordering from home ensures that you have control over what your child eats in school.

Friends of St Patrick's

We're sad to announce that Charlotte Codina will finish this summer as chair. FOSP needs some fresh members to keep up the good work that they provide for the school. FOSP has paid for many new school items such as blinds, breakfast clubs, a pantomime trip, coaches, books, computers, and provided many lovely activities for the children and needs new hands to help.

You don't need to be a professional or have experience, just willing! Charlotte and the members are very happy to talk to anyone wanting to consider getting involved.

The date of the next meeting is 13 March at 9am so any new members are welcome.

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 – Simplicity

• F2 Ms Boardman's – Catherine and Benjamin	• Y3 Mrs Johnson/Miss Keeton's – Danica and Samuel
• Y1 Miss Chamberlain's – Mayle and Andre	• Y3/4 Mr Fidler's – Shariya and Irene
• Y1/2 Miss Hardwick's – Anne and Aaliyah	• Y4/5 Miss Kirk's – George and Sireen
• Y2 Miss Hobbs – Elcita and Nathan	• Y5/6 Miss Sheeran's – Rim and Henry
	• Y6 Miss Rutter's – Kadeem, Jeremiah and Noah

Weekly Attendance – Commencing 26 January

POSITION THIS WEEK	CLASS	WEEKLY ATTENDANCE%	WEEKLY POINTS	TOTAL POINTS	OVERALL POSITION
1	Miss Hardwick	98.5%	9	81	Joint 7 th
2	Mrs Verdon-Smith	96.8%	8	112	2 nd
3	Miss Hobbs	96.7%	7	93	6 th
4	Miss Rutter	96.6%	6	109	4 th
5	Mrs Johnson & Miss Keeton	96.5%	5	120	1 st
6	Ms Boardman	95.6%	4	111	3 rd
7	Miss Kirk	95%	3	81	Joint 7 th
8	Mr Fidler	91.4%	2	107	5 th
9	Miss Chamberlain	90.4%	1	50	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 – 4:00pm	07/01/2026	11/02/2026	£1
	KS2 Book Club	3:15 – 4:15pm	07/01/2026	11/02/2026	£1

Sheffield Music Hub

Felicity Atkinson provides keyboard lessons in school for pupils each week.

There are places available for children in Y1 and above. For details, pricing and booking please use the following link:

<https://www.sheffieldmusichub.org/pages/music-lessons-in-schools>

Catholic Younger Artist Award

The Catholic Union Charitable Trust is delighted to announce the Catholic Young Artist Award. Open to primary school aged children, the theme will be Forgiveness. The Award will be judged by Margaret Mizen, Founder of the Mizen Foundation.

For more information regarding this and how you can enter, please follow the link below:

<https://hallam-diocese.com/catholic-young-artist-award/>

Dates for the Diary

Monday 9 February – Next block of swimming begins

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

Monday 23 February – INSET day – school closed to pupils

Wednesday 25 February – Y4/5 Miss Kirk's class – tree planting in Longley Park

Monday 2 March – Phonics Screening Check meeting for Year 1 Parents/Carers 2.45 – 3.15pm

Friday 13 March – FOSP Meeting 9am

Tuesday 17 March - St Patrick's Day Mass at 9.15am in Church

Thursday 26 March – Y6 Parents Evening (more details to follow)

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.