



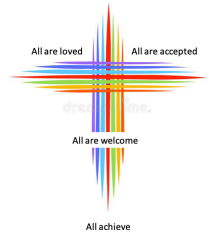
Rossington St Michael's CE Primary School



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All are welcome, All are accepted, All are Loved, All achieve.



Welcome to our newsletter for the week ending 27th November 2022.

As our minds move to thinking about Christmas and the advent of this season, we maintain the pace of learning and excitement around the curriculum.

I would like to start by thanking Olly, in year 5, who suggested a bicycle helmet competition. He talked about how the nights were getting darker and how we could encourage more children to stay safe during this time. He hatched a plan to create a bicycle helmet competition. We would like to thank all who took part in the competition. We were stunned by the response. Please see the competition winners on our website.

This newsletter will give you more information about the upcoming Christmas dates and also our hockey champions.

Thank you

Parent Breakfast Drop Ins

We continue to listen to our parents about wanting more information and support from school. Please see our timetable of activities below. All welcome.

Parent Breakfast Drop Ins (8:40am-9:30am) There will be a selection of breakfasts and warm drinks.

Date	Focus
Thursday 1 st December 2022	Attendance
Thursday 15 th December 2022	Phonics
Thursday 5 th January 2023	Autism
Thursday 12 th January 2023	Handwriting
Thursday 19 th January 2023	Toileting (hoping to invite the school nurse)
Thursday 9 th January 2023	Reading

We are also arranging after- school parent information sessions. Please see the timetables in our diary dates below.

Christmas Diary Dates

I know that we have informed parents of the Christmas diary dates since September but I just wanted to add more details.

Our Nativities will be held in the school hall. Due to the capacity of the hall, we are asking that parents/carers only attend one of the sessions. Tickets will be available from Friday 25th November 2022 from the school reception.

Our PTA will provide refreshments and there will be a Christmas raffle during each service. The dates are:

Monday 5 th December 2022	Upper KS2 Nativity (9:00am and 2:00pm)
Tuesday 6 th December 2022	Lower KS2 Nativity (9:00am and 2:00pm)
Thursday 8 th December 2022	KS1 Nativity (9:00am and 2:00pm)
Friday 9 th December 2022	EYFS Nativity (9:00am and 2:00pm)

Christmas Parties

Children can come in their party clothes for the whole day.

Please be aware of the changes of dates for EYFS and KS1 Christmas Parties.

Monday 12 th December 2022	Upper KS2 Christmas Party
Tuesday 13 th December 2022	Lower KS2 Christmas Party
Wednesday 14 th December 2022	EYFS Christmas Party
Thursday 15 th December 2022	KS1 Christmas Party

Christmas Jumper Day

This year, Save the Children Christmas Jumper day is Thursday 8th December 2022. We would like to link this with our Christmas Dinner Day and make our Christmas Jumper day on Wednesday 7th December. Please do not feel pressured to purchase a jumper, an ordinary jumper will be great with some tinsel! Children are to come in their normal school uniform but with a Christmas jumper over the top.

Christmas Dinner Day

Please make sure that you have ordered your child's Christmas Dinner in plenty of time, through LunchHound.

Wednesday 7 th December 2022	Christmas Dinner Day
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Last day of School

During the last day of school, we hold a light service. This will be the last thing that the children leave with at the end of the day. Please remember that school finishes early on Friday 16th December at 2pm.



Our Amazing Hockey Team

Last month, our mixed under 11 hockey team, took part in a Doncaster schools competition. They played exceptionally well and won all of their games. They became Doncaster champions! We are so proud of them.

As a result of this, they were invited to the South Yorkshire Champions based at Hill House.

Sadly, at this point the rules changed and we were informed that we could no longer take a mixed team but would have to take only a boys or girls team.

We were very disappointed with this and felt that the only fair thing to do was to inform the children.

We were so proud of their reaction. They shared that they would only participate if the whole team could take part. They then asked to write a letter in response, which was sent to the organisers of the competition.

Below is an extract from the letter.

As a mixed team, we feel all children should be able to compete regardless of gender. Our team has worked tirelessly to develop our skills together as a unit. It is against our beliefs and our Christian faith to exclude others and to make children not feel part of the team we once were. This competition was advertised as a mixed boy's/girl's competition; however, the finals are now only a boy's or a girl's competition only. We feel let down and side-lined due to our gender, which in today's society is totally unacceptable. As a mixed team, we feel like we have no other choice than to withdraw from the finals as we remain committed and strong in our beliefs to remain as a mixed unit and as a Christian family.

We hope you agree that these children are wonderful role models and ambassadors for our school.



Bibles

This week, our year 2- year 6 children all received a bible to keep in school. They will use these as part of their lessons and will link in with our collective worships. At the end of year 6, they will receive these bibles to take home and keep. We would like to thank a beautiful kind lady, who is part of a local church, who donated the funds to purchase these.

We are very grateful.



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2022-23 Calendar

Autumn Term	
Monday 31 st October 2022	Teacher Training Day- school not open.
Tuesday 1 st November 2022	School Open to all
Thursday 3 rd November 2022	Year 6 Hockey Competition
Week Beginning 7 th November 2022	Parent's Meeting
Monday 7 th November 2022	Pets As Therapy Amber in school every Monday afternoon.
Tuesday 8 th November 2022	Tempest Professional Photographs
Thursday 10 th November 2022	FS and Year 6 Height and Weight checks
Week Beginning 14 th November 2022	SEN Support Plan Review Meetings
Week Beginning 14 th November 2022	Year 1 and 2 Phonic Screening practice
Wednesday 16 th November 2022	Year 6 Celebration Event
Thursday 17 th November 2022	Year 5 Dodgeball Competition
Friday 18 th November 2022	Children in Need Day
Monday 21 st November 2022	Bicycle Helmet Competition entries to be handed in.
Week Beginning 28 th November 2022	Assessment Week 1/2
Wednesday 30 th November 2022	Year 5 Sports hall Athletics Competition
Week Beginning 5 th December 2022	Assessment Week 2/2
Monday 5 th December 2022	Upper KS2 Nativity (9:00am and 2:00pm)
Tuesday 6 th December 2022	Lower KS2 Nativity (9:00am and 2:00pm)
Wednesday 7 th December 2022	Christmas Dinner Day including Christmas Jumper Day.
Wednesday 7 th December 2022	Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 8 th December 2022	KS1 Nativity (9:00am and 2:00pm)
Friday 9 th December 2022	EYFS Nativity (9:00am and 2:00pm)
Monday 12 th December 2022	Upper KS2 Christmas Party
Tuesday 13 th December 2022	Lower KS2 Christmas Party
Tuesday 13 th December 2022	Catch Up Flu Vaccinations
Tuesday 13 th December 2022	Year 1 and 2 Parent workshop number 3pm-4pm
Wednesday 14 th December 2022	EYFS Christmas Party
Thursday 15 th December 2022	KS1 Christmas Party
Friday 16 th December 2022	School Finishes at 2pm.
Spring Term	
Monday 2 nd January 2023	Bank Holiday- School not open

Tuesday 3 rd January 2023	School Starts Back for all Nursery closed for home visits.
Wednesday 4 th January 2023	Nursery open to all.
Friday 6 th January 2023	Year 2 Epiphany Meal
Tuesday 10 th January 2023	Zoolab to work with Year 2 and 3
Tuesday 17 th January 2023	Year 2 parent reading workshop 2pm-3pm
Tuesday 24 th January 2023	Year 3 and 4 Calculation workshop for parents. 3pm-4pm
Tuesday 31 st January 2023 (for 5 weeks)	Year 4 to work with Linda Gardner Bible Explorers
Friday 3 rd February 2023	Young Voices
Thursday 9 th February 2023	School Disco
Friday 10 th February 2023	School closes at the usual time
Week Beginning 13 th February 2023	Half term- no school
Monday 20 th February 2023	School open to all
Tuesday 28 th February 2023	Year 1 parent's phonic meeting 4pm
Week Beginning 27 th February 2023	SEN Support Plan Meetings
Week Beginning 20 th March 2023	Parent's Meeting
Tuesday 28 th March 2023	Year 2 parent SATs meeting 4pm
Wednesday 29 th March 2023	Year 4 Easter Service in church
Friday 31 st March 2023	School Finishes at 2pm
Summer Term	
Monday 17 th April 2023	School Starts Back for all Nursery closed for home visits.
Tuesday 18 th April 2023	Nursery opens for all.
Monday 1 st May 2023	Bank Holiday- no school
Tuesday 2 nd May 2023	School open to all
2 nd May- 26 th May 2023	Year 2 SATs- no holidays please.
Monday 8 th May 2023	Extra Bank Holiday for King's Coronation
Week Beginning 8 th May 2023	Year 6 SATs- no holidays please.
Thursday 25 th May 2023	Year 5 Service in church
Friday 26 th May 2023	School closes at usual time
Week Beginning 29 th May 2023	Half term holiday- no school
Monday 5 th June 2023	School open to all
5 th June 2023- 23 rd June 2023	Multiplication Check for year 4- no holidays please
Thursday 8 th June 2023	Tempest Class Photographs
Week Beginning 12 th June 2023	Year 1 phonics check- no holidays please
12 th June- 14 th June 2023	Year 6 Residential- The Oakes
Tuesday 27 th June 2023	KS2 Sports Day – parents in the morning.

Wednesday 28 th June 2023	KS1 and EYFS Sports Day- parents in the morning
Thursday 29 th June 2023	School Disco
Week Beginning 3 rd July 2023	SEN Support Plan Meetings
Friday 14 th July 2023	PTA Summer Fayre
Monday 17 th July 2023	Reports out to parents
Monday 17 th July 2023	Year 6 Leavers Service in church
Tuesday 18 th July 2023	Year 6 Leavers Assembly in school
Friday 21 st July 2023	School Closes at 2pm
Monday 24 th and Tuesday 25 th July 2023	Teacher Training Days- no school