



Rawmarsh St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very busy week in school.

This week our amazing Year 6 children have taken their SATs tests. They have been a real credit to themselves, you and our school. We are all extremely proud of them.

I would also like to thank the staff for ensuring that this week has been as relaxed as possible for their hard work in ensuring the children felt positive about the testing situation.

Thank you to Mrs. Curran and Mrs. Boden for being here for Y6 breakfast club, this has been an invaluable experience for the children.

Year 2 will be taking their tests over the next 2 weeks so please continue to support them with homework tasks, in particular reading regularly at home. If you would like any more information about Y2 SATs then please see Mr. Terry.

While the Y6 children were taking their tests, the Y5's have been working with Y1 on the Picture This project. The artwork that they have been creating will form part of the Rotherham Children's Festival which will take place at the end of June. I will give more details of where the work will be exhibited and how you can see it. The 2 classes have worked very well together. A big thank you to Y5 for letting Y6 use their classroom every day.

During this, week I have been speaking to and meeting our new families for September. There will be a meeting in school for parents of children who have been allocated a place in FS2. I have written to each of the children welcoming them to our community and I know you will welcome them when they begin their journey with us too.

During half term, Miss Davis will be celebrating her wedding to Richard Beckett. We wish them every happiness as a married couple. Miss Davis will return after the Spring Bank holiday as Mrs. Beckett



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Thought for the week

"I try to accept forgiveness from others"

This can be very difficult for us and the children We will be working on this during our kindness week next week.

Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Number Of Lates</u>	<u>% attendance</u>
FS2 Miss Cooper	1	96.7
Year 1 Mrs. Potts	0	100
Year 2 Mr Terry	2	98.6
Year 3 Miss Davis	0	98.7
Year 4 Mr Searson	1	96.1
Year 5 Mrs Butler/Mrs Briggs	0	91.7
Year 6 Mr Howard	0	95.4
<u>School Totals</u>	4	96.6

Well done to Year 1 who have achieved 100% This is a fabulous example to set to the other children. Thank you to the parents for ensuring your children are in school every day. Well done to Year 2 and year 3 who have also exceeded our target of 97% Keep it up!

Sponsored Run/Walk

This was an excellent day and the children and families had lots of fun doing it. The teachers became very competitive during the course of the day!

I must say a big Thank You to Parent Voice for organising the day and for bringing Strider to our school. Strider represented the Walking Streets charity and we look forward to working with them again next school year.

Please send any sponsor forms and money ASAP. The funds raised will be used for the playground project and school funds.

The amount raised so far is approximately £470. Thank you for your support

Daily Mile

All classes undertake the Daily Mile. This is an initiative that is aimed at boosting not only physical fitness but in aiding cognitive development. The children and staff either walk or run 16 laps of the playground each day.



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Kindness Week

Our kindness week will begin on Monday with an assembly with Mrs. Foxley Johnson. The children will then work in their classes with her and on activities devised by their teachers and the children themselves. We would like them to come to school on Monday wearing something Pink.

The Year 6 children will be designing the decoration for the Friendship Bench, purchased by Parent Voice with their Playground Project funds. We are looking forward to unveiling it at the end of the week.

Behaviour and Reward System

The children will be bringing a leaflet explaining our new rewards and sanctions that are being implemented in school. Class Dojos will still be used- and will be given for following the school rules and for demonstrating the core values that underpin the rules.

Term Dates 2017 2018.

Please find attached the term dates for next year. Please keep a copy of them for your reference.

Tote Bags.

These are available for £3 from the school office. They are ideal for keeping PE kits in.

Performing Arts Performance

The performing Arts group will be singing at a local Nursing home on Wednesday 17th May. The children are always amazing and the residents always enjoy listening. If you do not want your child to take part please let Mrs. Knight know.

Polling Day

As you know there will be a general Election held on Thursday 8th June. School will be used as a Polling Station even though we will be on our Spring Bank Holiday.

Meeting your child's teacher for September.

Building positive relationships between staff, children and their families is very important. This year we have set aside days where parents can meet with their child's teacher for September. The day will run as a consultation day but the appointments will be slightly longer. We will offer appointments from 9am- 5pm. If you are unable to meet with your child's new teacher on this day or within the times allocated then please see the teacher to set a time that is convenient for you both. I will be informing you of which classes teachers will be in after the next holiday.

The days set aside are:

Y1 (September 2017)

Monday 17th July

Y2 (September 2017)

Monday 17th July



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Y3 (September 2017)

Y4 (September 2017)

Y5 (September 2017)

Y6 (September 2017)

Tuesday 18th July

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Wednesday 19th July

Wednesday 19th July.

Use of the school car park

Please remember that cars are not to enter the school car park unless through an agreement with myself. This includes children attending Breakfast Club.

Sports Day

Sports Day will take place on Friday 30th June in the afternoon. Mrs. Butler, Mr. Rockett and Parent Voice will be organising an afternoon of exciting sports events.

FS2 Outdoor Area

The FS2 staff have been working on developing the outdoor area. Over the next few weeks we will be having some tyres installed that we have had donated. If anyone has a jet washer that they would be willing to let us borrow then we would really appreciate it as the tyres will need cleaning before they can be used by the children.



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Diary Dates

Monday 15th May
Tuesday 16th May

Wednesday 17th May

Thursday 25th May
Friday 26th May
Friday 26th May

Monday 12th June
Monday 12th June-Thursday 16th June
Wednesday 14th June

Thursday 15th June
Thursday 15th June

Thursday 15th June
Saturday 17th June

Tuesday 20th June
Friday 23rd June

Friday 30th June
Monday 3rd July
Thursday 6th July
Friday 14th July

Monday 17th- Wednesday 19th July

Friday 21st July
Friday 21st July

Kindness Week begins.
Good Shepherd Mass- Y6 children who are attending already know.
Performing Arts singing at a local Nursing home. 10am
Year 3 mass in church
Seaside Dinner Day
School closes for Half term at 3:15pm.
School Reopens
Y1 phonics screening
New FS2 Parents meeting 2pm in the school hall.
Y2 Mass in church
Y6 Leavers celebration organised by Y6 parents.
Orthoptist to see FS2 children.
Jumble Sale in the school hall 10am
Y5 visit to Parliament
Y6 Leavers assembly 2pm in the school hall.
Sports Day- in the afternoon
Bikeability Y5 and Y6
Whole School mass in church.
Reports and progress information out to parents.
Meeting new class teacher transition appointments.
Whole School Mass in church
School closes for the Summer holiday at 2pm



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Term	<u>School Opens for children</u>	<u>School closes for children</u>
	Tuesday 5th September 2017	Friday 27 th October 2017
	<i>Half term Monday 30th October- Friday 3rd November 2017</i>	
	Monday 6 th November 2017	Friday 22nd December 2017
	<i>Monday 25th December 2017- Friday 5th January 2018</i>	
	Monday 8th January 2018	Friday 9th February 2018
	<i>Half term Monday 12th February 2018 to Friday 16th February 2018</i>	
	Tuesday 20th February 2018	Thursday 29th March 2018
	<i>Good Friday 30th March 2018- Friday 6th April 2018</i>	
	Monday 9 th April 2018	Friday 25 th May 2018
	<i>Spring Bank Holiday Monday 28th May 2018 to Friday 8th June 2018</i>	
	Monday 11 th June 2018	Friday 20th July 2018

Dates 2017 2018



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Confirmed INSET Days

Monday 4th September 2017

Monday 19th February 2018

Thursday 3rd May 2018 (This may change if Mayoral Elections do not take place)

Monday 23rd July 2018

Tuesday 24th July 2018