# **REMINDER** -

To book for the breakfast club, which is open every school day from 7.30 am, please contact the school office on 01709894149

# **REMINDER -**

**SCHOOL BREAKS UP ON FRIDAY 18 JULY 2025** 

(Monday 21 & Tuesday 22 July are INSET DAYS)

**AND WE** 

**RETURN ON WEDNESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2025** 

( Monday 1 September & Tuesday 2 September 2025 - are INSET DAYS)

WE HOPE YOU HAVE A LOVELY SUMMER

REMEMBER We have clubs being delivered by Grassroots over the six-week holidays from Monday 28 July to Friday 22 August 2025.

Clubs are Monday – Friday each week, starting at 9:00 am and finishing at 2:30 pm.

The links to book are as follows:-

PAID PLACES: https://grassrootsportsacademv.co.uk/booking/

MEANS TESTED FREE SCHOOL MEALS PLACES: <a href="https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/services/health-and-wellbeing/children-young-people-and-families/healthy-holidays/book-to-attend-a-healthy-holidays-club/">https://www.barnsley.gov.uk/services/health-and-wellbeing/children-young-people-and-families/healthy-holidays/book-to-attend-a-healthy-holidays-club/</a>



# **Letter from the Headteacher, Mrs J Winnard**

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another school year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support throughout what has been a busy and rewarding year. Your involvement, encouragement, and partnership play a vital role in the success of our school community.

I would also like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our incredible staff team. Their dedication, hard work, and unwavering commitment to our pupils have been outstanding. Whether teaching in the classroom, supporting behind the scenes, or helping to run extracurricular activities, every member of staff has played an important role in making this year a success. We are very fortunate to have such a caring and professional team.

We are also incredibly grateful to our fantastic PTA, whose tireless efforts throughout the year have made such a positive difference. From organising events and fundraising to supporting school initiatives, their enthusiasm and generosity of time have enriched the school experience for all our children.

It has been wonderful to see our children flourish not only academically but also through their participation in a wide range of activities. From the beautiful performances by our school choir, who have represented us so well, to the many pupils who have proudly taken part in external sports at local events – each child has demonstrated commitment, teamwork, and enthusiasm. We are so proud of their achievements and the way they have represented our school.

A special mention must go to our Year 6 pupils who are now preparing to take the next step in their educational journey. They leave us with fond memories, and we are confident they will go on to achieve great things. We wish them all the very best as they move on to secondary school. We also send our very best wishes to any other children who are leaving us this summer, we hope they settle in quickly and continue to thrive in their new settings.

We also say goodbye to some valued members of staff this year, Mrs Bennett, Mrs Quinn, Mrs Driffield -Mobbs and Mr Adams. Whether retiring or moving on to new opportunities, we thank them for their dedication and contribution to the school and wish them happiness and success in the future.

As we look ahead to the summer break, I hope it brings rest and relaxation to all. May it be a time to recharge your batteries, spend time with family, and enjoy a well-earned break.

Thank you once again for being such a supportive part of our school family. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year.

Many thanks,

Mrs J Winnard



# **Fundraising**

Non-uniform day 8.5.25 & 11.7.25

**Raised £268.00** 

Thank you to those parents and carers who support our non-uniform days. This all helps towards reducing the cost of trips next year.

**Year 6 Enterprise Week** 

Monies raised - not known at the moment, tbc later



# THROUGH THE AMAZING HELP AND SUPPORT OF OUR PTA

**WE MANAGED TO RAISE** 

Fathers day - £364.00

**Drinks/Icepops sold after school - £50.00** 

Summer Fair—£807.00

A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO ALL





# **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

Following the success of our previous Macmillan coffee mornings we have decided to host this event again. So many of our families and friends have had the wonderful support of Macmillan and we feel this year it is extra important to support this event. Details are as follows:-

# **24 SEPTEMBER 2025**

Parents/carers/family and friends are welcome to join us between 8.30 am and 10.00 am and again at 2.00 pm and 3.00 pm, the event is to be held in the blue building. There will be cakes/buns on sale together with fundraising activities. All proceeds will be donated to Macmillan.

If you would like to bake buns/cakes or donate any raffle prizes these would be appreciated, you could take these to the blue building on Tuesday afternoon or bring with you on Wednesday to one of the above sessions. Everyone is welcome & thank you in advance.

All proceeds will be donated to Macmillan.

Thank-you for your continued support.

# 1 OCTOBER 2025— 31 OCTOBER 2025

#### **Black History Month**

Black History Month is a month set aside to learn, honour and celebrate the achievements of black men and women throughout history.

## **Harvest Festival Week**

# **W/C 6 OCTOBER 2024**

As in previous years, for harvest, we are collecting tins, packets, cereal etc. These will be donated to the local community who will make up food parcels for the local Food Bank. Your child can bring their donation to school on any day during this week. All donations will be greatly appreciated. (please check the sell by/use by date of any items before bringing into school). Further information to follow nearer the time.

#### NON-UNIFORM DAY - WEAR RED FOR RACISM - SHOW RACISM THE RED CARD

Let's push Wear Red Day and anti-racism to the centre of the conversation

Let's challenge what so many people are unwilling or unable to challenge

#### **17 OCTOBER 2025**

#### Let us show, once again, that we are united against racism

'Our 1st non-uniform day in order to raise funds to help reduce the cost of school educational trips for parents and carers. £1.00 Per child.

Thank you for your continued support.



# **Individual Class Photographs**

# **20 OCTOBER 2025**

Our **Photographer** will be in school throughout the day on **Monday 20 October. Children should wear their full school uniform** for their individual portrait photograph. This is a requirement for the children's computer records within school.

In addition, we have agreed for the photographer to do family photographs. <u>These will be</u> <u>for siblings in school only.</u> This is <u>not</u> for extended families. Children will <u>NOT</u> need a change of clothes, again they will be required to wear their full school uniform.

#### **Parent Consultations**

22 & 23 OCTOBER 2025

Our first Parents evening for this academic year will take place on <u>Wednesday 22 October</u> and <u>Thursday 23 October 2025</u> and will run from 3.15 pm until 6.30 pm and 5.30 pm respectively. Details are as follows:-

Parents will be able to see their child's class teacher for a 10 minute appointment between 3.15 pm and 6.30 pm on the 15th or 3.15 pm to 5.30 pm on the 16th. Your child is welcome to attend the meeting with you. This will enable teachers to share information with parents about their child's progress so far this academic year and to share their individual pupil targets.

W/C 27.10.25 Half Term Week School breaks up on Friday 24 October 2025 and

**Returns on Monday 3 November 2025** 



## **REMEMBRANCE WEEK**

#### W/C 3 NOVEMBER 2025

Remembrance Sunday is held in the United Kingdom as a day "to commemorate the contribution of British and Commonwealth military and civilian servicemen and women in the two World Wars and later conflicts". It is held at 11am on the second Sunday in November (the Sunday nearest to 11 November, <a href="Armistice Day">Armistice Day</a>, the anniversary of the end of hostilities in the <a href="First World War">First World War</a> in 1918).

#### ANTI-BULLYING WEEK—ODD SOCK DAY

# W/C 10 NOVEMBER 2025 ODD SOCK DAY 10 NOVEMBER 2025

The children will be taking part in various activities during the week in relation to bullying. As you know the effects of bullying can have a massive impact on all individuals. Anti bullying week is a great way to get involved, take a stand against bullying and raise awareness in school. In support of Anti Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day, children are invited to attend school on Monday 10 November wearing odd socks. Odd Socks Day is an opportunity to have fun, be yourself and spread awareness of the core values Anti Bullying Week promotes.

# FS2—YEAR 6 NASAL FLU IMMUNISATIONS

# **13 NOVEMBER 2025**

Nasal flu immunisations will be administered to children in school on Thursday 13 November 2025. Please note, vaccines WILL NOT be given without the consent of the parent or legal guardian.

#### **CHILDREN IN NEED**

#### **14 NOVEMBER 2025**

Your child can come to school dressed in Pudsey Bear colours—yellow, red or white, or something spotty or both. (NO FACE PAINT PLEASE). We are asking for children to bring £1.00 for non-uniform.

All proceeds will go to Children in Need.

# PARLIAMENT WEEK

#### W/C 24 NOVEMBER 2025

**UK Parliament Week**, previously called **Parliament Week**, is an annual series of events in the <u>United Kingdom</u> that aim to inspire interest in <u>parliament</u>, <u>politics</u> and <u>democracy</u> and encourage young people and the public to engage with the UK's democratic system and institutions. Initiated in 2011, a week-long programme of events and activities is organised each year by the <u>House of Commons</u> and <u>House of Lords</u> of the <u>Parliament of the United Kingdom</u> in collaboration with hundreds of other organisations around the country including charities, schools, museums and community groups.





# **CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION**

# **28 NOVEMBER 2025**

Again we are holding a Christmas card competition in School. There will be a boy and girl winner from every class and one card will be chosen for Heather Garth's Christmas card this year. If your child would like to enter the competition they will need to design their card at home and bring to school no later than **9.30 am on Friday 28 November 2025**. Please make sure your child writes their name and class on the back of their Christmas card.

#### **CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY - NON-UNIFORM DAY**

## **5 DECEMBER 2025**

Our 2nd non-uniform day in order to raise funds to help reduce the cost of school educational trips for parents and carers.

£1.00 Per child. Thank you for your continued support.

# CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY & CHRISTMAS RAFFLE Christmas Raffle

Loads of Fantastic prizes to be won including Food/Spirits/Wine Hamper/Toiletries/ Chocolates and loads more!!! Please remember that all profits from the raffle will go towards the school fund.- 2 strips will be sent home with your child—£1.00 per strip.

# **10 DECEMBER 2025**

# **Christmas Dinner**

Please remember that if your child does not want a Christmas dinner they will need to bring a packed lunch from home. If your child is going to bring a packed lunch please let their class teacher know by Friday 28 November 2025. Christmas dinner is £3.00 per child - please make sure there are sufficient funds on your child's dinner account.

Again, this year if your child wishes, they can come to school wearing a Christmas jumper on Christmas dinner day.

# **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

# **18 DECEMBER 2025**

Party food will be served for lunch, however if your child prefers they can bring a packed lunch from home . Party food from school is £3.00 per child.— please make sure there are sufficient funds on your child's dinner account. Party clothes may be worn but please ensure your child has <u>sensible footwear and a coat</u> for playtime and lunchtime.

School breaks up on Thursday 18 December 2025

(Friday 19 December 2025 is an inset day)

**19 DECEMBER 2025** 

and

**Returns on Monday 5 January 2026)** 



# EYFS - FS1 NEWS

This terms learning has been 'Enchanted Gardens and Let's Explore'.

In 'Enchanted Garden's' we began by finding out about different fruits and vegetables and exploring how they taste and where they come from. We enjoyed reading our Key text of Handa's Surprise and used our drama and roleplay skills to act out the story and pretended to be the animals who take all the different fruits. We tasted lots of different fruits from around the world – such as the grapefruit, mango, passionfruit, pineapple and orange to name but a few! We also created some beautiful observational drawings and paintings of the different fruits from the story.

We also enjoyed finding out what plants need to grow and planted some of our very own vegetables. We learnt all about the different parts of flowers and talked about which flowers are our favourite. We also created our own flowers in Junk modelling and on the crafting table as well as painting and sketching sunflowers.

We then moved onto looking at what makes healthy teeth and how we can care for them. We know to brush for two minutes morning and night (we have practised using the Hey Duggee song from CBeebies).

In 'Let's Explore' we studied one of our favourite books. "Going on a Bear Hunt" by Michael Rosen. We retold the story using our own story maps and designed our very own bear caves. We created our own pictures and paintings linked to the story too.

In phonics we have been working on segmenting and blending words orally, identifying rhyming words and making up new rhymes to our favourite nursery rhymes. We have been spotting sounds at the beginning of words and working on spotting syllables in words too.

We have also been working hard at practising our letter formation and name writing ready for FS2.

In Maths we have been practising lots of subitising and number recognition as well as working with lots of 2D and 3D shapes and figuring our full and half full with capacity work.

FS1 have been amazing at practising for sports day and then were outstanding on the day. All the children loved showing off their skills and were fantastic sports men and women.

Everyone also really enjoyed 'Little City's' visit to FS1. We loved being Builders, Doctors, Vets, Postmen and Women, Mechanics, Café Owners, Shop Assistants, Beautician's, Hairdressers, Police and Firemen and the occasional bad guy. It was amazing!!

















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# **EYFS - FS2 NEWS**

This half term FS2 have loved focusing on 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'. We have re-told the story; we have made caves and we have used vocabulary such as 'furry' and 'grizzly' to describe the bear in the story. Following on from this, we have read about different types of bears including polar bears and pandas. We were excited to learn about what they eat and where they live; we now know 'Pandas eat bamboo'. The children enjoyed drawing different bears and writing simple facts about them.

Our Phonics skills have continued to improve. We can now read a range of longer words with increasing confidence! We have enjoyed sharing different stories before home time.

In June we had the opportunity to visit 'The Butterfly House'. We enjoyed seeing different creatures and mini-beasts and loved our time spent on the adventure playground. The children were so well behaved and eager to make the most out of the experience.

We have enjoyed learning both indoors and outdoors. Due to the wonderful weather, we have learned lots about sun safety, including the importance of wearing a hat and sun cream. We have been keen to visit the 'big playground' at lunchtime and we also have been going to whole school assembly on a Monday.









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# AUTUMN TERM 1 & 2 FOUNDATION STAGE

# **STAY AND PLAY SESSION**

# **DATE TO BE CONFIRMED**

The focus for our parent/carer stay and play session will be a playdough making workshop. Parents and carers will be invited to attend one of the sessions that corresponds to their child's session in our foundation stage unit. There will be two sessions, one at 9.00 am and one at 1.50 pm. More details to follow.

# **FS CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

# **16 DECEMBER 2025**

Our FS children will be taking part in a performance on Wednesday 11 December during the morning at 9.30 am. On arrival please go directly to the school hall doors where you can sign in. Raffle tickets will be on sale prior to the concert. The top gate will be unlocked at 9.25 am and locked at 9.30 am. If you are late arriving please go to the main reception.

# **CHRISTMAS PANTO FOR FS2 & YEAR 1**

# **17 DECEMBER 2025**

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# **YEAR 1 NEWS**

This term, Year 1's learning has been all about Famous Explorers and Weather, Weather!

In geography we have been learning about the weather and the changes that take place in the four seasons. We have also learnt about the climates of both hot and cold countries and how to locate these countries on a map. To celebrate this, we took part in a creative craft session focusing on the different types of weather.

In history we have been learning about significant people. Our focus has been on the lives of different types of explorers such as Neil Armstrong, Charles Darwin, Ibn Battuta, Roald Amundsen, Sylvia Earle and Edmund Hillary. We loved learning all about their adventures around the world.

In science our focus has been all about plants and trees and changes in the environment as we go from Spring to Summer. We have also talked about staying safe in the sun to keep ourselves healthy and safe.

In computing we have been creating media through digital imagery and we have learnt about data handling. We have been representing data in different ways and sorting data. We have also been practising using a mouse and keyboard to navigate a computer.

In PE we have been focussing on invasion skills. We have been practising ball skills and learning the role of an attacker and defender within invasion games. We have also been learning the skills and rules of striking and fielding. We then had fun practising our athletics skills for sports day.

In music we have been learning about creating and performing simple melodic patterns using voices and pitched instruments and the musical terms of high and low pitch.

In RE, we have been focusing on the Christian and Islam faiths and special people. We began by discussing our own special person and what makes them special. We then we learnt about what makes a significant person of faith special. We also listened to stories of significant people within Islamic and Christian faith.













Check out our blog for more information and to see more photographs of year 1's learning.

# AUTUMN TERM 1 & 2 YEAR 1

## YEAR 1 HISTORY OF TOYS WORKSHOP

# **4 NOVEMBER 2025**

As part of year 1's learning 'Memory Box' we have invited History of Life to come in to school to deliver the above workshop. The workshop will allow children to have access to a wide range of exciting 'traditional toys' to play with, explore and have a huge amount of fun with. The children will also spend some time playing lots of traditional games, and learning the rules of the games, with their friends.

# YEAR 1 - TOYS 'THEN & NOW' PARENT SESSION

# **2 DECEMBER 2025**

As part of Year 1's 'Toys, Then & Now' topic, you will be invited to come along to support your child to create their very own 'Victorian' toy. We will be creating toys such as ball and cup, Jack in a box, toy soldiers and paper boat models.

#### **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

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# **12 DECEMBER 2025**

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# YEAR 2 NEWS

In Year two our summer theme was "Oh, I do like to be beside the seaside!"

We started by looking back in time to Grace Darling and her heroic rescue at sea. In Geography, we looked at what features are found in a seaside town and where they are in the UK. We then studied our nearest seaside town of Cleethorpes in preparation for our visit. This year, our trip to Cleethorpes was a wonderful day, however it was a bit.. wet!! When we arrived, we went to the Lifeboat station where we learnt about the role of the lifeboat volunteers, the equipment that they use and the lifeboat itself. We walked along the promenade, had lunch and enjoyed a delicious ice cream. Then we got on the Lollipop Train back down the promenade to the pier before getting on our bus to bring us back home. The rain didn't dampen the children's spirits at all and they still had a great day!







We have been learning to tell the time in maths as well as collecting and representing data in different ways. Our science work this term has been all about animal habitats. We have looked at what makes a habitat suitable for different animals. We then looked at food chains and how animals all depend on each other for survival. Our artist for this term was Alexander Calder and the children thoroughly enjoyed creating sculptures that were inspired by his stabiles and mobiles. In DT, the children have tackled a textiles unit of work. After looking into Punch and Judy shows, the children designed their own puppet and we invited grown ups in to school to help us make them. The children were able to show off their sewing skills that they have been mastering in our class lessons. The puppets turned out amazing and we couldn't wait to take them home. This half term also saw us compete in our sports day. All the children took part in every event and really tried their best for their team!



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# AUTUMN TERM 1 & 2

# YEAR 2

## **YEAR 2 LOCAL WALK**

#### **30 SEPTEMBER 2025**

As an introduction to our learning about Comparing Kenya, year 2 will be heading out for a walk around the village of Bolton upon Dearne on Thursday 3 October 2024, weather permitting. We will be recognising key features of the environment and using this information back in class to create simple maps and keys

#### **OWL WORKSHOP**

# **7 OCTOBER 2025**

In Science, we will be focusing on **The Circle of Life**. As part of this learning we have organised an exciting visit from The Yorkshire Owl Experience. This will entail a workshop working with an owl expert to find out about owls, their habitats, their food sources and their nests and eggs.

## **YEAR 2 PARENT SESSION**

# **18 NOVEMBER 2025**

As part of our learning, you will be invited to join us between 1.45 pm and 2.45 pm for our parent session. Here you will join your child in drawing animals that live in Africa, make an African necklace, listen to African music and taste African fruit.

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#### CHRISTMAS PANTO FOR YEARS 2—6

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# **YEAR 3 NEWS**

This term, our topics have been 'Rivers' and 'Ancient Civilizations - Egypt'. As part of our geography learning, Year 3 have learnt the names of seas and rivers, how rivers are formed, features of rivers, how rivers have been used in the past and how there are used today. They also learnt about how flooding can impact on a community and the causes of river pollution and the effects it has on our environment. In history, they have learnt about the chronology of Ancient Egypt, about Ancient Egyptian writing (hieroglyphics), who the Egyptian Gods were and their belief about the afterlife. They also learnt about how the pyramids were built, who Ramses II was and how the Egyptian empire ended. In science, Year 3 investigated what happens to plants when they are put into different conditions, compared and grouped different types of rocks, learnt how fossils are formed and learnt that soil is made from rocks and organic matter. They then compared how things move on different surfaces, observed how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others. They also compared and grouped together a variety of everyday materials based on whether they were attracted to a magnet and predicted whether 2 magnets would attract or repel each other depending on which poles are facing. In ICT, they have planned a book trailer and then created and edited a book trailer using iMovie. They then learnt the terminology of databases, compared paper and computerised databases and created their own comparison cards. After that they created their own data base, using their comparison cards and then sorted, filtered and interpreted data. In RE, the children have learnt that some roles give people an important place in a group, made links between significant people and good leadership and learnt how significant people of faith can be recognised. They also asked questions about wonders of the natural world and identified some questions that are difficult to answer. After that they learnt about the significance for Muslims of The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) and that his revelations are recorded in the Quran. They also looked at the significance of Muslim dress. Check out our blog for more information about our learning and to see more photos.



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# **AUTUMN TERM 1 & 2** YEAR 3

# **STONE AGE WORKSHOP**

# **20 NOVEMBER 2025**

Our learning during the Autumn term is all about the 'Stone Age' and as part of this we have invited History of Life to come in to school to deliver a 'Stone Age to Iron Age' workshop. The workshop will take place on 20 November 2024. More details to follow.

# YEAR 3 PARENT SESSION

**DATE TO BE CONFIRMED** The children will be taking part in Stone Age activities linking with our history work. We will be learning about the Stone Age and how it is followed by the Bronze Age and Iron Age and thinking about the achievements of these civilizations. By joining us on our parent session we will be able to share our learning with parents.

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# **YEAR 4 NEWS**

In Year 4 this half term, we have learnt about the Water Cycle in Geography. We spent a day at Ewden Water Centre, learning about how water is collected, cleaned and used through out the UK, and how to save water and make better choices. We learnt how water has been around since before the dinosaurs and that it is a constant process and cycle. In Literacy we spent time deeping our writing using noun phrases and fronted adverbials when continuing our story about Willy Wonka and his Chocolate Factory. In Maths, we have secured our knowledge of the written methods in multiplication and short division and had some fun with area. During PE, we have been playing rounders and have learnt to bowl and bat the ball, with quick and efficient fielding. During July, we had our Sports Day and won points for our team, as well as inviting our parents in to showcase what we have learnt.



Check out our blog for more information about our learning and to see more photos.

# AUTUMN TERM 1 & 2

# YEAR 4

# **DATE TO BE CONFIRMED**

# **YEAR 4 PARENT SESSION**

Details to follow.

## **YEAR 4 SWIMMING**

The lessons will take place on **Fridays**, starting with an assessment lesson on **Friday 12 December 2025**, and thereafter, every **Friday from Friday 9 January 2026 to Friday 27 March 2026 (excluding the February half term week).** (Please keep this in mind when you are booking any medical appointments etc.)

## **12 DECEMBER 2025**

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Wath Leisure Centre rules - PLEASE SEE LIST OF RULES AND REQUIREMENTS RE SWIMWEAR,

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# **YEAR 5 NEWS**

This term, Year 5 took part in a 'History to Life' day with Catherine, who was able to tell us all about the Maya. We learned about their lifestyle including which sports and games they took part in. We also looked at different artefacts to try and work out why they could have been used for.

In maths, we have continued to focus on different maths facts and have also looked at shape. The children have learned about perimeter and area, as well as how to work out different angle sizes. The children have also tried to improve or sustain their highest TTrockstar scores.

In PE, Year 5 have learned about different sports in their sessions with Grassroots and in class. They have looked at cricket, tag rugby, athletics and outdoor adventurous activities, where their team work skills were really put to the test. They also took part in their sports day this half term and all the children worked hard and supported each other amazingly.



Check out our blog for more information about our learning and to see more photos etc

# **AUTUMN TERM 1 & 2**

# YEAR 5

# **YEAR 5 PARENT SESSION**

# **23 SEPTEMBER 2025**

During the session our focus will be The Amazon Rainforest and you will be supporting your child in making a rainforest in a box. Invite to follow.

### **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Christmas Concerts - Friday 12 December - We have to limit places to 2 adults per child for Christmas Concerts. We are not issuing tickets, but will only allow 2 adults per child to sign in on the day. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Year 1 and 2 - 9.15 am Year 3 and 4 - 10.15 am Year 5 and 6 - 2.15 pm Gates open at 10.10 am

**12 DECEMBER 2025** 

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# YEAR 6 NEWS

The beginning of this term saw us making our final preparations for the Year SATs tests. The Year 6 team can't even put into words how proud we are of all Y6! They came and enjoyed their SATS breakfast (eating enough toast to sink a small ship!) and entered the tests focused and determined. Every single person did their very best and that is all we could have ever asked for.

Summer 2 has been a has been a very busy and exciting half term for Year 6. We have taken part in an Enterprise project where we formed our own companies, either creating products or offering a service. The project gave us a great opportunity to learn about enterprise and areas such as; budgeting, finance, marketing and most importantly team work. This year's companies were: Fidget O's, Beauty Beaded Bonds, Foodie Movie, Pro Ballers, So Sweet, Art Palace and Milkie Milkshakes. All of the companies were a great success!

We would like to say a massive well done to all of Year 6 this year. We are going to miss you very much. Enjoy your well-earned summer holiday and all the best at your new school. Remember to keep in touch!























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# **AUTUMN TERM 1 & 2**

# YEAR 6

#### Year 6 Trip to Barnsley Museum, Cannon Hall

# **14 OCTOBER 2025**

Pupils meet the Cook and Housekeeper at Cannon Hall and become evacuees for the day in this immersive workshop. They will take part in traditional wartime activities, view real and replica objects and discover how to make tasty treats, even during rationing!

#### **PARENT SESSION**

# **21 OCTOBER 2025**

Join us at our Year 6 WW2 Parent Session Where you can enjoy making peg dolls, listen to traditional wartime music, play traditional wartime games and taste WW2 food. Further details to follow.

# YEAR 6 CRUCIAL CREW

# **18 NOVEMBER 2025**

Every primary school in South Yorkshire is invited to spend the day at the Lifewise Centre on the set, which is used to work through a series of real-life scenarios related to personal safety in an interactive and exciting way. The scenarios cover issues such as arson, hoax calls, road safety, fire safety, travel safety, internet safety, and antisocial behaviour.

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# BARNSLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR THE 2025/26 ACADEMIC YEAR

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# Parental Engagement Team



Don't forget to visit our coffee morning every Wednesday

8.30am—10.00am in the Blue Building

**EVERYONE WELCOME** 



WATCH OUT FOR FUTURE PTA MEETING DATES, TO BE HELD IN THE BLUE BUILDING.

A huge thank you to all parents for continuing to support us. Don't forget we are always looking for people to help. The more volunteers we have the more we can do for the children.

Please follow us on Facebook 'Heather Garth PTA' for updates.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT



