

Newsletter – Issue 1

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-WELCOME-BACK TO SCHOOL

Welcome back to the new Academic Year and to our new Friday edition of the School Newsletter.

We hope everyone had a restful and relaxing summer break, with perhaps a little more normality than the last 18 months.

We welcome back all of our children and especially our new F2 children joining our school community.

The children have had a good start to the year and seem to be settling back into old and new routines throughout the day and at lunchtime and break times.



Breakfast Club started again this week and continues to be a drop in session. No pre booking is required, which provides flexibility to drop off between 8:00am and 8:30am, with strictly no admissions after 8:30am.

The cost is £3 per session. Payment in advance via ParentMail (cash payments are not accepted in school.) and accounts are charged daily after each attendance. If there are insufficient funds on your child's account, they will be allowed to attend that day, but will subsequently, not be given entry until there are sufficient funds paid to their Breakfast Club Account.

Children must be brought to the main entrance by a parent/carer. Children sign in at reception then can enjoy breakfast and play before school starts at 8:50am.



Y1 Multi Skills - EIS Friday 1 October 2021

Y3 Benchball - EIS Friday 15 October 2021

Y3 Aspirational Day - EIS Wednesday 20 October 2021

Y4 Jorvik & Dig Trip Tuesday 2 November 2021

Y6 Eden Camp Wednesday 10 November 2021

Y4 Kingswood Residential Monday 16 May 2022 to Wednesday 18 May 2022

This is not an exhaustive list of planned events for the year, more items will be added each week, watch this space ©

Jesus said: "Love one another as I have loved you."

At St Thomas More our Mission is to love and to come the wonderful person God created us to be.

Welcome to Y1

The new Y1 classroom and outdoor area were finished over the summer break, I'm sure you will agree it looks great and the children are already enjoying spending time outside, let's hope the weather holds for a few more weeks ©



REMINDERS

After School Clubs Autumn Term 2021



After school, clubs started this week for the first half of the Autumn Term 2021 (Week commencing 6 September 2021 to Week commencing 18 October 2021) between 3.20pm-4.20pm

The clubs have proved popular this half term, but we still do have some availability of places in the clubs shown below.

Year 3: Monday – Sports with Mrs North Year 4: Thursday – Art with Mrs Reaney Year 5: Tuesday – Multi Sports - Qualitas Year 6: Thursday – Multi Sports – Qualitas

The clubs can be booked and paid for on ParentMail, whilst any places remain available.

P.E Kits



A quick reminder that Y1 to Y6 children will continue to wear their PE kit to school on days they have PE. In the Autumn & Spring terms, F2 children will change for PE in school, as this is part of their curriculum.

P.E days for all classes are as follows:

F2: No PE for the first few weeks, then every Monday afterwards. Miss Chappell will let families know when PE is starting for F2.

Year 1: Mondays & Thursdays Year 2: Mondays & Thursdays **Year 3:** Wednesdays and Fridays

Year 4: Thursday morning Swimming (children should arrive 'Swim Ready' & Friday is PE day

Year 5: Tuesdays & Wednesdays

Year 6: Tuesdays

PARKING REMINDER

We have regularly asked families to be considerate and courteous to our neighbours when parking around school.

We are disappointed to learn that there has been an incident on Creswick Lane this week involving a resident and a parent/carer collecting children after school.

Please think before you park!!

Class Dojo





If you have not already signed up for your child's class dojo, please join using the invitation, which has been emailed to you.

In addition, please can you confirm you ensure you have indicated your consent for photo permissions using the consent link, which you should have received via a Parentmail email.



Eat Smart Sheffield have produced a newsletter for parents/carers.

It contains information and top tips for eating healthily throughout the day including breakfast ideas, school meals, healthy snacks & drinks, and family recipes. The link for this is below.

Eat Smart Sheffield Newsletter - for Parents/Carers

South Yorkshire Police Alerts



SYP Alerts is a messaging system brought to you by South Yorkshire Police for our communities.

By registering with SYP Alerts, you can choose to receive the latest news and appeals from your local police officers, local crime information and crime prevention advice - direct to you by email, text or voice message.

You can choose exactly what news you receive- it can be completely tailored to your interests and preferences.

Registering for alerts is free and once you have signed-up, you can choose how you want to receive the messages and what you want to receive messages about.

Alerts can also be translated into more than 100 languages, meaning if English is not your first language, you can still access the latest news and get to know your local policing team in a way that is accessible for you.

To sign up, simply click the link below: www.sypalerts.co.uk/



Celebration Winners

Friday 16 July 2021				
F2		for		
У1		for		
У2	Alfie	for	For always being a kind, well-mannered boy. You are a brilliant role model and are always doing what is expected. You constantly strive to do your best and you are always treating others with respect	
y 2	Philomena		For your amazing sportsmanship during our trip to EIS! You cheered on all your classmates and gave everything your all. You are always so gracious and humble with everything you do. Well done	
	Vienna		Your super efforts in our newspaper writing this week. You added a creative flair to your writing. Well done, Vienna!	
У3	Myles	for	Your amazing efforts in our singing festival. You put in 100% effort and you encouraged your classmates to do the same. Well done, Myles!	
У4	Mia	for	Writing a great final big write in Y4.	
74	Jonas	lor	Being a fantastic role model throughout your time in Y4.	
	Cole	for	For your amazing piece of independent writing in your last big write of the year!	
У5	Christina		For working incredibly hard throughout your entire, time in Y5. You have been such a good role model this year and I am sure you will shine even brighter in Y6.	
У6	Mischa	for	Using the techniques of symmetry and reflection to create a fantastic piece of work in the style of William Morris! Keep it up!	
	Connar		Putting in so much more effort into your PE relays Qualitas! I was so proud to you and the skills you demonstrated! Keep it up!	



Celebration Winners

Full and 10 Construction 2004				
Friday 10 September 2021				
F2	Ollie	for	A fantastic first week at school! You have settled into F2 brilliantly, made some great friends and played with kindness this week. Well done ©	
F2	Violet		A successful first week at school! You have shown kindness towards your friends and you have shown you are confident with sharing and taking turns! Great job ©	
V1	Kai	for	Starting Year 1 with a positive, enthusiastic attitude! You have come to school every day this week with a big smile on your face eager to learn! What a brilliant start to the year Kai, well done!	
У1	Nerae		Your excellent enthusiasm starting in Year 1! You have been so kind, friendly and hardworking every day and have tried your best with all your learning! You are a role model Nerae, well done!	
у2	Delan	for	Producing a fabulous self-portrait for our display in the hall.	
72	Nelli		Being a fantastic role model in the reading area.	
У3	Lily	for	Making a fantastic start to Year 3! You have been kind, helpful and have tried your best in everything. Keep it up	
	Rhys		Dazzling me with your effort in reading and handwriting! You are trying so hard! Well done ☺	
	Eve		Demonstrating a creative way to express your understanding of British Values! Keep it up!	
У4	Nancy	for	Demonstrating an amazingly positive behaviour to start Y4! You are always showing that you are ready for learning! Keep it up!	
У5	Bethany	for	For your lovely British Values poster that you made during our PSHE lesson this week. I can really tell how enthusiastic you were about the topic and that you tried your best during the lesson. Well done Bethany!	
	Tristan		Having beautiful manners and a positive attitude to your learning all week. Well done Tristan!	
У6	Claudia	for	Coming into school every morning in such a responsible and mature way. You have shown kindness to your classmates and respect for everyone. Keep it up, Claudia - you are setting a great example!	
73	Oliver		Your amazing effort this week with your own war poetry. You listened carefully to poems by the soldiers in the trenches and embedded their ideas in your own poetry. Well done, Oliver!	

100% Attendance & Punctuality

w/e 10 September 2021					
Class	Percentage	Lates			
F2	99.2%	1			
У1	99.0%	1			
У2	99.3%	2			
У3	99.7%	4			
У4	100%	2			
У5	99.3%	2			
У6	99.3%	1			
School Total	99.4%	13			

Wow !! Well Done Year 4! You will receive an extra playtime for your great attendance

100% Attendance & Punctuality w/e 16 July 2021



F2		
У1		
У2	Emmanuella	
У3	/3 Kylan	
У4	James	
У5	Rian	
У6	Archie	

100% Attendance & Punctuality w/e 10 September 2021



F2	Albie	
У1	Hartlyn	
У2	Adwapa	
У3	Aleks	
У4	Arthur	
У5	Alice	
У6	Mercy	

GROWTH MINDSET AWARD WINNER

w/e 10 September 2021



This week's winner is Guedaliah in Y6 for:

Starting the new school year in such a positive and mature way. You have shown that you are ready to take on anything with your learning and you have impressed us so much with your determination this week. Well Done Guedaliah!

TRIPS AND EVENTS



Qualitas Sporting Events and Competitions 2021-22

Event	Year	Venue	Date/Time
Multi-skills	1	EIS	01.10.21 / 09:00 -12:30
Benchball	3	EIS	15.10.21 / 09:00 - 12:30
Sports aspiration day	3	EIS	20.10.21 / 09:45 - 14:00
Futsal	5	EIS	05.11.21 / 09:00 - 12:30
Fencing	4	EIS	19.11.21 / 09:00 - 12:30
Athletics	6	EIS	09.12.21 / 09:00 - 12:30
Gymnastics	2	EIS	10.01.22 / 09:00 - 12:30
Dance festival	1 & 5	Winding Wheel	28.03.22 / 09:00 - 12:00
Invasion games	2	EIS	17.03.22 / 09:00 - 12:30
Tag Rugby	4	Hallam sports park	22.04.22 / 09:00 - 12:00
Mini-tennis	1	Places 4 People	19.05.22 / 09:00 - 12:30
Derby county football festival	2	Derby County football club	17.06.22 / 09:00 - 12:00
Crown green bowling	SEND children	Places 4 People	21.06.22 / 09:00 - 12:00
Sports day	2&6	EIS	23.05.22 / 09:00 - 15:00
Quick cricket	TBC	Mount St Marys	18.07.22 / 09:00 - 13:00
Rugby union	TBC	Mount St Marys	19.07.22 / 09:00 - 13:00
Elite mini Olympics	TBC	Mount St Marys	19.07.22 - 09:00 - 13:00

 $\mathsf{F2}$ will have an event arranged during the summer term

There will be no cost to parents/carers for any of the above events.

These events including transport will be fully funded from the school's sports premium grant.

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Y1 Multi Skills Trip to the EIS! Friday 1 October 2021

On Friday 1 October 2021, Y1 will be taking a trip to the English Institute of Sport (EIS) for a Multi Skills session! The coach will be collecting us from school at 8.30am so your child will need to arrive to school for 8.20am to ensure that we can register them and arrive on time. The coach will be dropping us off at school again at 1pm. As the trip will be taking place over lunchtime, your child will need a packed lunch and a water bottle. Please send your child to school in their PE kit © There is no cost to you for your child to attend so please complete the online permission slip, as soon as possible.

Children in Y1 are entitled to free lunches, so please complete the packed lunch option on the online form to indicate if your child will be bringing one from home or if you would like to order one from school. Orders need to be placed by Monday 27 September 2021.

Y3 Benchball Trip to the EIS! Friday 15 October 2021

On Friday 15 October 2021, Y3 will be taking a trip to the English Institute of Sport (EIS) to play Benchball! The coach will be collecting us from school at 8.30am so your child will need to arrive to school for 8.20am to ensure that we can register them and arrive on time. The coach will be dropping us off at school again at 1pm. As the trip will be taking place over lunchtime, your child will need a packed lunch and a water bottle. If you require a packed lunch from school, contact the school office. Please send your child to school in their PE kit © There is no cost to you for your child to attend so please complete the online permission slip, as soon as possible.

Y3 Sports Summit and Aspirational Day at the EIS Wednesday 20 October 2021

On Wednesday 20 October 2021, Y3 will be taking part in a sport summit and aspirational day at the English Institute of Sport. The children will be participating in a range of sports throughout the day and will have the opportunity to meet Dwayne Chambers! The coach will be collecting us from school at 9.15am so please ensure that your child arrives to school by 9.00am so that we can set off on time. The coach will be dropping us off at school again at 2.30pm. As the trip will be taking place over lunchtime, your child will need a packed lunch and a water bottle. If you require a packed lunch from school, contact the school office. Please send your child to school in their PE kit © There is no cost to you for your child to attend so please complete the online permission as soon as possible.

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<u>Y4 York - Jorvik & Dig Centre Trip</u> <u>Tuesday 2 November 2021</u>

Y4 are going to York to visit the Jorvik Viking Centre, which links perfectly to our History topic this half term. We will be leaving school at 8:30am and return for the end of the normal school day. We will be able to go all around the museum and participate in a DIG tour.

All children need to bring a packed lunch and a water bottle. If you require a packed lunch from school, please contact the school office. The contribution is £19.50 per child, including entry and transport. Payments should be made & consent given on Parentmail.

So exciting for Y4!! ©

Y4 Kingswood Residential Monday 16 May 2022 to Wednesday 18 May 2022

Just a reminder that the non-refundable deposit for the Y4 Residential should have been paid by the end of August, if you still need to make this payment please ensure this is paid by 19 September 2021, if you have any difficulties in respect of the deposit payment please contact Mrs Proverbs.

The balance needs to be paid by the 1 March 2022 and can be made in instalments or in full on Parentmail until this date.

<u>Y6 Eden Camp Trip</u> Wednesday 10 November 2021

In Y6, we are learning all about the first world war and the events that took place during this time, both on the frontline and at home in the UK. As part of our learning, the class will be visiting the Eden Camp Museum. A visit to the museum is guaranteed to transport our children back in time to the war, and give them a sense of how difficult a time this was for all involved.

We will be leaving the school building at 8.30am, so please ensure that your child arrives at school promptly for this 8.20am. We will be arriving back to school at 3pm. Children will be required to wear school uniform, and they are advised to bring a coat/hat/scarf/gloves if the weather is bad. Children must bring their own packed lunch for the day, as we will be eating at the museum. If you require a packed lunch from school, please contact the office. The contribution is £19 per child, including entry to the museum and transport. Payment should be made on Parentmail.

We cannot wait for our children to enjoy this experience.

Miss Garner and Mrs Hepkin