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Christmas Jumper Day on the [Website](#)

What's happening in school next week?

- Monday Classes 6, 7 & 8 are off to Penistone Paramount. Please could parents administer an LFD to their child before school on that day? Staff will do one also. The children do not need to bring anything and should come in their school uniform.
- Our Y2 children are popping over to Alpine Lodge on Monday morning to sing Christmas songs to the residents through the windows.
- Ms. Swift is not in school on Tuesday. Miss Cowley and Mrs. Charlesworth will be in The Orchard
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 8 on Tuesday 14th and Nursery on Wednesday 15th December.
- It's Golden Star assembly on Tuesday for children in Classes 1, 2, 3 & 5. Parents of nominated children will receive a zoom invite.
- Its Christmas Lunch day in school on Tuesday – turkey, roast potatoes, and all the trimmings. We decorate the tables and each child has a cracker to pull. It's a lovely lunch. We'll take some photographs and share with you.
- Dance Club on Tuesday for those children signed up - until 4.00pm.
- Miss S Rogers is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday 15th December.
- Wednesday 15th is Party Day. The children can come to school in their party outfits. No heels, jewellery or flimsy, summery outfits please as we'll still be playing outside. The children have party lunch, play games and are entertained by Puzzling Paul. A jolly man in red usually makes an appearance too.
- On Thursday the children will be watching a live streamed pantomime – Jack and the Beanstalk.
- Thursday 16th is the deadline for any Walk to School Footprint Designs. Please hand them into your child's teacher or the school office.
- On Friday we have Golden Star Assembly for children in Nursery, Classes 6, 7, & 8. Parents of nominated children will receive a zoom invite.
- Friday is Non-uniform day for the fee of £1.00 (to school funds).

Attendance

Class 1: 91%

Class 2: 97%

Class 3: 97%

Class 4: 85%

Class 5: 96%

Class 6: 93%

Class 7: 87%

Class 8: 97%

Our target attendance is 96%

This week's attendance is 92.9%

**Well done
Classes 2, 3 & 8**

Assembly Theme: Christmas

- Class 2 have Forest School on Friday.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday.

Looking ahead to the w.b. Tuesday 4th January 2022!

- Our theme this half term, and our learning, will be all about extreme environments.
- Assembly theme for the week is Love.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 7 on Tuesday and Nursery on Wednesday.
- On Tuesday 5th January we will be celebrating 100% attendance for the second half of the autumn term.
- Our new Nursery children are visiting on Wednesday and Friday.
- We have a new club starting on Wednesday – Quidditch led by Hermione Granger aka Miss Maclean.
- Chris Standley is back with us for the spring term on Thursdays. He is from Imagination Gaming, a company that come into school to play board games with the children. Through board games he teaches them social skills, turn taking, learning to lose, and playing fairly, self-confidence all whilst having lots of fun!
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday.
- Miss S Rogers is teaching in Nursery on Friday.

Nursery News

Our fantastic fiddly fingers have been hard at work making tree-mendous decorations and cards. Our nativity is starting to take shape despite some very tired little people. We are still playing hard and enjoying lots of Christmassy stories.

Star of the Week

Pearl Wright is the most reliable young lady you could ever meet. She is always in the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing. She truly is a superstar in every way.

Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

Erin Cottam for being so brave when she had had sad, upsetting news. She got on with the day and did her best as she always, always does!

Staffing Changes in Class 6 in January

We're really sorry to say that Mrs. Goodband is leaving us next Tuesday. She may have only been with us a short time, but we've really enjoyed working with her. We have appointed a new teacher called Miss Rachel Bennett. She's lovely and a great teacher but can't join us until after February half term because of her existing contract and commitments. Luckily, and thankfully, Mrs. Hutchinson has agreed to teach Tuesday to Friday next half term and Miss Tonks will teach on Mondays. Miss Tonks is a really experience teacher, particularly in reception, and she's lovely. The children will enjoy being taught by her and they will have seen here around school as she teaches next door in Class 5 on Fridays.

Tweak of the Week: Good listening week (in an attempt to contain their excitement!)

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dish of the day 1	Vegetarian sausage and mash	Roast chicken with stuffing	Party Day Menu Sandwich selection – cheese, ham & tuna. Sausage rolls Cheese and onion rolls Pizza slice Crudities Christmas shortbread	Beef lasagne with homemade garlic bread	Homemade cheese pizza with chips and tomato sauce
Dish of the day 2	Cheese flan with jacket wedges and tomato sauce	Vegetable Crown – ratatouille in pastry		Roasted vegetable lasagna with homemade garlic bread	Bean bake with chips and tomato sauce
Oven baked jacket potato	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans		Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo
Sandwich option	Egg	No sandwich offer today.		Ham, tuna mayo, cheese sandwiches	Ham, tuna mayo, cheese sandwiches
	Tuna mayo			Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo
	cheese			Cheese	Cheese
Vegetables	Carrots & sweetcorn	Vegetables	Green beans & sweetcorn	Peas & baked beans	
Desserts	Jam sponge and custard	Snowflake bun	Jelly with peaches	Chocolate fudge cake	

Celebration achieving Platinum Modeshift Stars Award

On Monday we had a walk from the leisure centre with Amy Barron-Hall and Charles Dickens! The children then were thoroughly entertained by him as he told stories and had all the children (and grown-ups) joining in.



The children's achievements this week. The children love sharing these in assembly so please keep sending them in. They say they feel proud in front of their friends.



This little girl is always so busy. She took part in a gymnastic competition and had a great time.



This young man was very proud of getting his 5m badge and certificate!



This remarkable little girl had a birthday last week. Instead of presents for herself, she asked for donations for the Missions Christmas Toy Appeal. What a selfless and kind thing to do!

Christmas Hampers – please let us know by Monday 10th December if this would help you over the holiday.

It's a lovely time of year but we are very aware of the financial pressure it puts on families. We have great links with Morrisons and Stocksbridge Food Bank. If a 'food parcel' would help anyone out in the run up to and over Christmas, let us know (confidentially) and we'll get it organised. You can email me on headteacher@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk, mention it to your child's class teacher, let Carly Redgate know by Monday 10th December and we will organise for that week.

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This week's praise board



Tia Monaghan and Oliver Lambert for throwing themselves into their nativity dances with absolute gusto – watch out 'Strictly'.

Nova Butler for being so sensible, so positive and keeping us all going at this really, really busy time.

Chester Slater for being on fire with his learning and dazzling all the grown-ups in Class 5 with his writing. Keep it up Chester!

Rohan Simmons has been so kind and helpful – passing things to others and sharing so well.

Busby Blake remembered to say 'you're welcome' when a friend thanked him for helping.

Carter Murphy helped a friend who was 'just too tired' to put his shoes on.

Ada-Lily Fiddler and Alice Spencer for practising their phonics at home. It has been lovely to see all the photos on Seesaw.

Keegan Hanson made Ms. Swifts day when he said hello in passing.

Thank you to Stanley who told Mrs. Hutchinson about his friend's shoe lace being undone before PE. He was very concerned he was going to trip up.

Sam Wood loves Mrs. Hutchinson and tells her every day!

Phoebe Hobson, Elissa Nicholson and Aria Boudabouza are just the best tidy uppers!

Ivy-Jay Sampson-Coopland has impressed adults with her phonics this week.

Florence Brown for making us chuckle with her Christmas top which gave all the adults funny elf names. Mrs. Townsend was called Sprout Pudding!

Vinnie Gibson, Isabelle Tabor, Clayton Bullimore and Charlie Cleaver have been spotted using lots of words making up stories in their play.

Thank you to all the grown-ups who have worked really hard to help the children learn nativities. It's caused one or two sleepless nights but some hilarity too!

Thank you Mr. Denton (Mrs. McGhee's dad) for making our amazing nativity backdrop.

Thank you Mrs. Townsend's mum for wrapping up lots of presents for the children to get next week from the man in red!



Thank you for all the photo and DVD orders. We'll let you know, via email, when they arrive. We will set up a table outside the main office so that you can pay for and pick up DVDs. You'll also have chance to have a look at your children's photo to see if you want to purchase it. The DVDs are £6.00 as are the photos.

We are hoping to have them all by Tuesday but we'll confirm by email.

Mother Goose at The Venue in Stocksbridge – If you would like tickets, please order by the end of the day on Monday.

David McNeill, our Community Services Co-coordinator, has organised for the theatre company to put on an additional showing of Mother Goose at The Venue on Sunday 19th December at 11.30am. **The event is open to any families in receipt of Free School Meals** (not universal infant free school meals which all Reception to Year Two children are eligible for). This is a family event for children and parents/carers. If you would like tickets, please contact the school office with the number you require – there is no difference in adult and child tickets, they are just tickets. David will then deliver the tickets out to us and we'll get them to you before we break for the Christmas holiday. If we have more requests that we receive tickets, they will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. We have 49 families eligible for free school meals and we've been allocated 30 tickets but we'll try and get more.



Dressing up Clothes

If anyone has any dressing up clothes that are no longer needed we'd happily use them in school. Thank you.

This week's Penistone Paramount Visit

The visit was enjoyed by everyone and the children were all impeccably behaved. They were a pleasure to take out of school. Many thanks for all the contributions which made it possible.

Alfie the Elf

Here he is telling the children a story about when it all went wrong one Christmas. He was great and the children loved him.



Let's connect this

CHRISTMAS (SOME WAY)

By now you'll have seen our collaboration with Musicalalternative for this year's National Online Safety Christmas song. If you feel like joining in – perhaps with your family or with your class – we've reproduced the lyrics here for you!

1 We don't want a lot for Christmas,
There's nothing we really need
And we don't care about the presents
Underneath the Christmas tree
We just want a screen-free day
Unless we're calling family far away
What more can we say?
Let's connect this Christmas, some way

2 I don't want a lot for Christmas
But here's some other things I'd like (I'd like)
Offline school from now till summer
Time outside to ride my bike

3 And I don't want to spend this Christmas
Surrounded by a million screens
Unless they're showing happy faces
The fam on Zoom or my friends on Teams

4 The iPad's great to stay in touch
With people we don't see that much
So what more can we say?
Let's catch up this Christmas, some way

5 And I won't ask for much this Christmas
Not even a PS5 (or a)
iPhone ProMax, Switch OLED,
A million-terabyte hard drive

6 It's time for some fun with mates
But TikTok, Insta they can wait
As for family, what do ya say?
Let's hang out for the Christmas holiday

7 All the screens are shining so brightly
everywhere (oh it's Christmas)
And the sound of high-pitched ringtones
fills the air (and mince pies)
And everyone's distracted (stockings)
My mental health's impacted (presents)
Can't we use devices so we're ALL connected?
Sharing memories that we've all collected?

8 Oh, I don't want a lot for Christmas
This is all I'm asking for (and I)
Just wanna spread some smiles
Show some kindness, let's make sure
Nobody feels on their own
Share so everybody knows
Through a screen, or face to face
Let's connect this Christmas, some way

9 Connected this Christmas some way,
please let's be
Connected this Christmas some way
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