



# Holy Rood Catholic Primary School

Autumn Term, Issue 3 — Friday 6 October 2023

The theme of our prayers:

*I am grateful for all I have and praise God for all he has given me*

## Important Dates and Events

**Monday 9 October** – Y5/6 Girls Football v Shawlands at 3.30pm. Parents are welcome to watch

**Tuesday 10 October** – World Mental Health Day

**Tuesday 10 October** – Y3 Author Event in school

**Tuesday 10 October** – 2.30pm Tea and talk session – parents are welcome in school

**Friday 13 October 2023** – CAFOD Family Fast Day – non uniform – bring a tin/packet to donate for Barnsley Foodbank

**Friday 13 October 2023** – Y3 to visit Barnsley Library 1.30pm

**Wednesday 18 October 2023** – F2 Eye tests

**Thursday 19 October 2023** – Y5/6 Girls Football v Shawlands at 3.30pm. Parents are welcome to watch

**Thursday 19 October 2023** – Y4 to St Marie's Cathedral to celebrate Mass

**Thursday 19 October 2023** – Y1 Phonics meeting for parents at 2.45pm in the school hall

**Friday 20 October 2023** - Y4/5 author event with Matt Lucas at 9.30am in school

**Friday 20 October 2023** – 1.15pm Y5/6 Cross Country at Horizon

**Friday 20 October 2023** – 3.30pm Y6 Bake Sale on the playground to raise funds for Leaver's arrangements

**Monday 23 October 2023 – Friday 27 October 2023** Y6 to Beaumanor Hall

**Friday 27 October 2023** – School closes for half term at 3.30pm

**Monday 6 November 2023** – school reopens for children

**Thursday 9 November 2023** – 2.45pm Phonics meeting for parents of Y2 children upwards who are still on RWI

**Friday 10 November 2023** – Flu Vaccinations in school

**Monday 13 November 2023** – **Anti – Bullying Week** – Wear odd socks to school with your school uniform

**Tuesday 21 November 2023** – Individual School Photographs

**Tuesday 21 November 2023** – Parents Evening 3.45pm – 5.45pm

**Thursday 23 November 2023** – Parents Evening 3.45pm – 7.15pm

**Friday 24 November 2023** – Non-Uniform day – bring a bottle for the tombola

**Wednesday 29 November 2023** – Y1/2 Author Event in school

**Friday 1 December 2023** – Non-Uniform – £1 donation for Bethlehem Hospice and Care Trust

**Friday 1 December 2023** – Y5/6 Athletics at RITC – 1.15pm

## Last week's attendance

Class	% Attendance
<b>Foundation 2</b>	97.7
<b>Year 1</b>	96.9
<b>Year 2</b>	92.3
<b>Year 3</b>	95.3
<b>Year 4</b>	92.9
<b>Year 5</b>	96.7
<b>Year 6</b>	98.4
<b>SCHOOL TOTAL</b>	95.7

**Congratulations to Year 6 who have kept up their attendance to school. They win at 98.4%**

October Half Term – Monday 30 October – Friday 3 November 2023

Christmas Holidays – Friday 22 December 2023 – Friday 5 January 2024

February Half Term – Monday 12 February – Friday 16 February 2024

Easter Holidays – Friday 29 March 2024 – Friday 5 April 2024

May Half Term – Monday 27 May 2024 – Friday 7 June 2024

Summer Holidays – break up Friday 19 July 2024

## Inset days 2023/2024

Friday 22 December 2023  
Friday 7 June 2024  
Monday 22 July 2024

## Advanced notice of important assessment dates 2023/24

Y1 Phonics will take place from Monday 10 June to Friday 14 June 2024

Year 4 Multiplication Check will take place from Monday 10 June until Friday 14 June 2024

Year 6 SATs will take place from Monday 13 May to Thursday 16 May 2024

### **Flu Vaccinations – Please note change of date!**

Nasal flu vaccinations will be offered to all children at school from Reception to Year 6 on 10th November 2023. Please complete a **Flu consent form** as soon as possible using the link below and the school code. Vaccines will not be given without the consent of parent or legal guardian. **If you do not wish for your child to have the vaccine, please still complete the form and say NO.**

[www.barnsleysais.co.uk](http://www.barnsleysais.co.uk) and School code: **BN106632**

### **CAFOD Family Fast Day and Harvest Donations**

On Friday 13 October, we are holding a non-uniform day. Please bring a tin/packet to donate for Barnsley Foodbank. Please keep the donations coming until Friday 13 October 2023. Thank you.

### **Welcome back Mass**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Welcome Back Mass on Friday 22 September. Our Y6 children led Mass beautifully. A huge thank you to those children who read.

### **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Macmillan Coffee this week. We raised a total of £58.80. Thank you to everyone who donated cakes too! We really appreciate it.

### **Parents Evening F2 - Y6**

Please see the dates on the first page of the Parents Evening for F2 – Y6. You will receive an email with the link to book your appointment after half term. We will assume that you would like a face-to-face appointment unless you request a telephone appointment.

### **Christmas Dates – Advance notice**

Friday 24 November 2023 – Non-Uniform day – bring a bottle for the tombola

Friday 1 December 2023 – Non-Uniform Day - £1 donation for Bethlehem Hospice and Care Trust

Thursday 7 December 2023 – 2pm Christmas Fair in the school hall

Friday 8 December 2023 – Non-Uniform day – bring a chocolate item for the tombola

Wednesday 13 December 2023 – 2.45pm Y3 to lead our Christingle Service

Thursday 14 December 2023 – Non-Uniform - Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner

Monday 18 December 2023 – 10am Christmas Mass at Holy Rood Church, led by Y5

Tuesday 19 December 2023 - 12.30pm F2, Y1 and Y2 to the Lamproom Theatre to see Cinderella Pantomime

Tuesday 19 December 2023 – 4pm Carols around the tree for staff, children and families

Wednesday 20 December 2023 - 9.15am Nursery and F2 Nativity

Wednesday 20 December 2023 – 12.30pm Y3, 4, 5 and 6 to the Lamproom Theatre to see Cinderella Pantomime

Wednesday 20 December 2023 – 2pm Y1 and Y2 Nativity

Thursday 21 December 2023 - 9.15am KS2 Carol Concert

Thursday 21 December 2023 - Christmas Parties

Friday 22 December 2023 – INSET day – school closed to pupils



### **School Crossing – advanced notice**

Please note that there will be no school crossing patrol on Racecommon Road on the following dates:

27<sup>th</sup> October 2023

9<sup>th</sup> February 2024

24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024

### **Amazon Wishlist**

Due to a leak in our school library, some of our books have been damaged and therefore we have added a few more to our Amazon wishlist. There is no expectation for a contribution but if you would like to purchase a book on our behalf, we would be very grateful.

Please see below for the link

<https://amzn.eu/gW01ELw>

### **Football Kit – Sponsorship**

Our girls football team welcomed Worsbrough Common Primary School on Tuesday afternoon and won 3-0. Congratulations to our girls!

We are in need of new football kits for our teams, we would like to see if any families or local businesses would like to sponsor our team. The kit would show the business name on both our home and away kits. If this is something you are interested in, please contact Mrs Cook in the school office.

### **Story writing Competition – KS2**

MOTO Story Writing Competition - KS2 please ensure that if you are working on a story for the competition, they must be handed in to Mrs Heald by Friday 20th October at the latest.

### **Non Uniform Day – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

We will be supporting the Bethlehem Hospice and Care Trust, a hospice in Sheffield that the whole of the Hallam Diocese will be fundraising for throughout Advent