



Holy Rood Catholic Primary School

Autumn Term, Issue 5 — Friday 7th November 2025

The theme of our prayers: *Counsel*
Our Mission is: *Pray before making an important choice this week*

Important Dates and Events

Monday 10th November – Anti Bullying Week
Thursday 13th November – Girls Football 3:45pm @Holy Rood
Friday 14th November – Non-uniform £1 for Barnsley Hospital Star Sponsorship
Monday 17th November – Road Safety Week
Tuesday 18th November – Individual Photo Day
Tuesday 18th November – Children’s University Inter-School Games Tournament – selected children only
Wednesday 19th November – FS2, Y1, Y2 Road Safety Sessions
Friday 21st November – Y5 handball at Reds in the Community
Friday 21st November – Reading Ambassadors to MOTO
Friday 21st November – Non-uniform £1 for Barnsley Hospital Star Sponsorship
Wednesday 26th November – Y3 Fire Safety Talk
Thursday 27th November – Girl’s football at Burton Road – selected pupils
Thursday 27th November – F2 Walk to Morrisons pm
Friday 28th November – Selected Y5/6 children to Oakwell – information to follow
Friday 28th November – Y5/6 Tax Facts Workshops
Friday 28th November – Non-Uniform – Bring chocolate for tombola

***Please find Christmas dates on the next page**

Tuesday 2nd December – Parent’s Evening – booking available through the school website
Thursday 4th December – Parent’s Evening – booking available through the school website
Friday 5th December – Non-uniform – Bring a Bottle
Friday 5th December – Y5/6 Athletics – selected children
Tuesday 9th December – 2pm Tiny Tots Stay and Play

Last fortnight’s attendance

Class	% Attendance
Foundation 2	92.1%
Year 1	96.5%
Year 2	98.6%
Year 3	96.6%
Year 4	92.7%
Year 5	97.0%
Year 6	96.3%
SCHOOL TOTAL	95.8%

Y2 are the winners with attendance at 98.6% - Well done Y2!

School Holidays 2025/2026

Christmas Holidays – Monday 22 December 2025 – Friday 2 January 2026

February Half Term – Monday 16 February 2026 – Friday 20 February 2026

Monday 23 February 2026 – Inset Day

Friday 3rd April 2026 – Good Friday

Easter Holidays – Monday 6th April 2026 – Friday 10th April 2026

Monday 4th May 2026 – May Bank Holiday

May Half Term – Monday 25th May 2026 – Friday 5th June 2026

Advanced notice of important assessment dates 2025/26

Y1 Phonics will take place from Monday 8 June to Friday 12 June 2026

Y2 SATs will take place in June 2026

Year 4 Multiplication Check will take place from Monday 8 June to Friday 12 June 2026

Year 6 SATs will take place from Monday 11 May to Thursday 14 May 2026

Christmas Dates

Wednesday 3rd December – KS2 Carol Concert at Holy Rood Church 2pm – Parents Welcome

Friday 5th December – Y2 Santa Dash @ Joseph Locke Primary School

Monday 8th December – Year 3 Christingle 2:45pm – Parents Welcome

Wednesday 10th December – 9:15am – EYFS Nativity – Parents Welcome

Thursday 11th December – 2pm – Christmas Fair – All welcome

Monday 15th December – EYFS and KS1 to the Lamproom Theatre for Pantomime

Tuesday 16th December – KS2 to the Lamproom Theatre for Pantomime

Wednesday 17th December – 10am Christmas Mass in Church – Parents Welcome

Thursday 18th December – Elf Runs in school for the children

Friday 19th December – 9:15am – KS1 Nativity – Parents Welcome

Friday 19th December – Class Christmas parties in school

Y6 SATS Parent Meeting

A parent meeting regarding the Y6 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATS) will be held on Tuesday 6th January 2026 at 3:30pm in the year 6 classroom. This meeting will give you all of the information you need to know about the upcoming tests, how we will support your child in school and how you can support them at home.

Parents Evening

Please ensure you book your parents evening slot via the school website. Parents evenings will be held on the 2nd and 4th December. If you are unable to book via the website then please come to the school office where we will be happy to help.

New Accident Reporting Tool

We have now moved over to an online accident reporting tool to log all of our accidents in school. This will help us to ensure that accidents are reported in a timely manner and it also gives us the ability to identify areas in school that are hazards. If your child has an accident in school you will receive an email to notify you of this. We will still be contacting parents via telephone if we feel that we need to you collect your child or we need parental advice. Please ensure you notify the school office if you do change your email address so we can ensure that you receive these emails

PE Days

Please ensure that children have their PE kit on their PE days. It is advised that PE kits are brought in on a Monday and taken home on a Friday to accommodate last minute changes in days.

Please ensure children have the correct PE kit and have clothes suitable for outdoors with them as we strive to get children outside as much as possible.

F2 Wednesday

Year 1 Monday

Year 2 Monday and Thursday

Year 3 Tuesday and Thursday

Year 4 Wednesday and Thursday

Year 5 Tuesday and Thursday

Year 6 Wednesday and Thursday

Barnsley FC Community Trust



Barnsley FC's Rogan Ravenhill Joins PE at Holy Rood Catholic Primary School!

We were thrilled to welcome Barnsley FC's **Rogan Ravenhill** to Holy Rood Catholic Primary School, where he joined our Year 4 and Year 6 students for an energetic and inspiring PE session.

Rogan wasted no time getting involved, diving straight into games of tennis and handball with the pupils. His enthusiasm and encouragement brought a fantastic energy to the lessons, and it was clear the children were delighted to have a professional footballer in their midst. The experience gave them a unique opportunity to engage with sport in a fun and memorable way.

Macauley Hobson, Barnsley FC's Schools Officer, shared his thoughts on the visit:

"It's always a pleasure to see our players engaging with the community and inspiring young people. Rogan was brilliant with the students at Holy Rood – he brought great energy and made sure everyone felt involved. These kinds of visits are so important for building connections and promoting the value of sport and teamwork."



We'd like to thank Rogan and Barnsley FC for their continued support and look forward to welcoming them back again soon!