

HARVEST FESTIVAL

A sincere thank you to everyone who made our harvest festival such a massive success. Thanks to your generous contributions we filled a record number of carrier bags with tins and packets of food.



Once again we were proud to support the Roundabout charity who work with over 150 homeless teenagers in Sheffield.

Your kind donations will be used to stock the kitchen at the hostel as well as being made into 'starter' packages for the very needy young people moving into their first homes.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

We are pleased to announce that our annual Christmas Fayre this year will be held on Sunday 27th November between 11am and 1pm.



The parents' group will be meeting each Monday after half term in school and newcomers are always very welcome to join us.

PARKING

Could we please ask that parents park with courtesy to our neighbours at the start and end of the day. We have recently had several complaints from local residents regarding blocked drives and restricted access.



We also need to remind parents that the yellow zig-zag lines outside school are there for the safety of your children and parking on these as well as picking up and dropping off is strictly prohibited.

Our local community support officers will be making regular checks and issuing penalty notices where appropriate.

"DIABETES TYPE ONESIE" AND CHILDREN IN NEED DAY

On Friday 18th November the children may wear a Onesie to school if they bring a small donation. The funds raised will be split between the two charities.

**We break up for half term at 3.15pm
on Friday 21st October**

**Please remember that Monday 31st October is a
staff training day and that children return to
school on Tuesday 1st November**

UNIFORM

Can we remind parents that children should attend school in full uniform each day.



The school's agreed standard dress is as follows:-

- Navy blue sweatshirt/cardigan with school logo. White, red, green, yellow polo shirt with or without school logo.
- Navy blue, grey, or black trousers, jogging bottoms, skirt, leggings or ski pants. Blue, red, yellow, green gingham dresses, in summer months.
- Fleeces, navy blue, with school logo.
- Waterproof/fleece reversible jacket, navy blue, with logo.
- Plain white or dark socks or dark tights.
- Plain dark shoes or trainers.

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER...

It has been an extremely busy start to the school year and I'm pleased that everyone has settled into their classes so quickly.

Thank you to all parents who attended the recent parents evening. We hope that the discussions were useful and you feel well informed about your child's learning targets in Maths and English as well as their "learning challenge" topics. If not, do ask the teachers and look in your child's work books!

I'd like to thank Mr Rodgers who has stepped down as a governor after many years of service and welcome Ross McMaster as a new parent Governor. Also Gay Birtles has been co-opted to our governing body she has an extensive background working in Special Needs and Inclusion with the local authority.

We are working closer than ever with our partners in the Crucible Co-operative Trust, we are holding an official launch event later this week and will be joining together on the training day after half term to look at ways to improve learning outcomes in reading.

We have looked at the recent test papers and found that the children struggled to answer some of the comprehension questions as they did not understand the vocabulary. Developing a wider vocabulary is a key focus in all three schools. Our children love to learn the meaning of new words. Please encourage this when they are reading at home!

Sheila Haigh